

# 52:34-6.5

## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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**LAWS OF:** 2007

**CHAPTER:** 156

**NJSA:** 52:34-6.5 (Requires State to replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs; requires BPU to educate public on benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs)

**BILL NO:** A3983 (Substituted for S2631)

**SPONSOR(S):** Chatzidakis and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** February 22, 2007

**COMMITTEE:** **ASSEMBLY:** Environment and Solid Waste

**SENATE:** Economic Growth;  
Budget and Appropriations

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE:** **ASSEMBLY:** March 15, 2007

**SENATE:** June 21, 2007

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** August 21, 2007

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

[FINAL TEXT OF BILL](#) (First reprint enacted)

**A3983**

**[SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:](#)** (Begins on page 2 of original bill) [Yes](#)

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:** **[ASSEMBLY:](#)** [Yes](#)

**SENATE:** Yes [Economic Growth](#)  
[5-24-07](#)

[B & A](#)  
[6-18-07](#)

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:** No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** No

**S2631**

**[SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:](#)** (Begins on page 2 of original bill) [Yes](#)

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:** **[ASSEMBLY:](#)** No

**SENATE:** Yes [Economic Growth](#)  
[5-24-07](#)

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[6-18-07](#)

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:** No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** Yes

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P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 156, *approved August 21, 2007*  
Assembly, No. 3983 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning compact fluorescent light bulbs and  
2 supplementing Title 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. Within three years after the date of enactment of this act,  
8 notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, the  
9 Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department  
10 of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property  
11 Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury,  
12 **'[and] or'** any State agency having authority to contract for the  
13 purchase of goods or services, 'as appropriate,' shall, whenever  
14 possible, replace all incandescent light bulbs used in **'[State]'**  
15 buildings 'owned by the State' with compact fluorescent light  
16 bulbs.

17 b. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this  
18 act, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary,  
19 the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the  
20 Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of  
21 Property Management and Construction in the Department of the  
22 Treasury, **'[and] or'** any State agency having authority to contract  
23 for the purchase of goods or services, 'as appropriate,' shall  
24 purchase compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in **'[State]'**  
25 buildings 'owned by the State' to the maximum extent practicable.

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27 2. Within 30 days after the date of enactment of this act, the  
28 Board of Public Utilities shall undertake a public education and  
29 awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the  
30 benefits of using compact fluorescent light bulbs. In conducting  
31 this public education and awareness campaign, the board shall  
32 utilize both electronic and print media and any other methods  
33 deemed appropriate.

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35 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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39 Requires State to replace incandescent light bulbs with compact  
40 fluorescent light bulbs; requires BPU to educate public on benefits  
41 of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly AEN committee amendments adopted March 12, 2007.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 3983

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 22, 2007

**Sponsored by:**

Assemblyman **LARRY CHATZIDAKIS**

District 8 (Burlington)

Assemblywoman **LINDA STENDER**

District 22 (Middlesex, Somerset and Union)

**Co-Sponsored by:**

Assemblyman **Gordon**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires State to replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs; requires BPU to educate public on benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/13/2007)

1 AN ACT concerning compact fluorescent light bulbs and  
2 supplementing Title 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. a. Within three years after the date of enactment of this act,  
8 notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, the  
9 Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department  
10 of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property  
11 Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury,  
12 and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase  
13 of goods or services, shall, whenever possible, replace all  
14 incandescent light bulbs used in State buildings with compact  
15 fluorescent light bulbs.

16 b. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this  
17 act, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary,  
18 the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the  
19 Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of  
20 Property Management and Construction in the Department of the  
21 Treasury, and any State agency having authority to contract for the  
22 purchase of goods or services, shall purchase compact fluorescent  
23 light bulbs for use in State buildings to the maximum extent  
24 practicable.

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26 2. Within 30 days after the date of enactment of this act, the  
27 Board of Public Utilities shall undertake a public education and  
28 awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the  
29 benefits of using compact fluorescent light bulbs. In conducting  
30 this public education and awareness campaign, the board shall  
31 utilize both electronic and print media and any other methods  
32 deemed appropriate.

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34 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

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39 This bill would require the Director of the Division of Purchase  
40 and Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Director of the  
41 Division of Property Management and Construction in the  
42 Department of the Treasury, and any State agency having authority  
43 to contract for the purchase of goods or services, within three years  
44 after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to replace all  
45 incandescent light bulbs used in State buildings with compact  
46 fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. Commencing three years  
47 after the date of enactment of this bill into law, the bill would

**A3983 CHATZIDAKIS, STENDER**

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1 require the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in  
2 State buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

3 This bill would further require the Board of Public Utilities,  
4 within 30 days after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to  
5 undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform  
6 businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent  
7 light bulbs.

8 According to the Board of Public Utilities, Energy Star qualified  
9 compact fluorescent light bulbs use 66 percent less energy than a  
10 standard incandescent bulb and last up to 10 times longer, and  
11 replacing a 100-watt incandescent light bulb with a 32-watt  
12 compact fluorescent light bulb will save at least \$30 in energy cost  
13 over the life of the bulb. In 2005, according to the U.S.  
14 Environmental Protection Agency, approximately 100 million  
15 compact fluorescent light bulbs were sold in the United States, or  
16 about 5 percent of the light bulb market.

ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT AND SOLID WASTE  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 3983**

with committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MARCH 12, 2007

The Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 3983.

As amended, this bill requires the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury, and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of goods or services, within three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to replace all incandescent light bulbs used in State-owned buildings with compact fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, the bill requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

This bill further requires the Board of Public Utilities, within 30 days after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments to the bill clarify that the provisions of the bill apply to any building owned by the State.

# SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

**ASSEMBLY, No. 3983**

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MAY 24, 2007

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3983 (1R).

This bill requires the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury, and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of goods or services, within three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to replace all incandescent light bulbs used in State-owned buildings with compact fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, the bill requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

This bill requires the Board of Public Utilities, within 30 days after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

As reported by the committee, Assembly Bill, No. 3983 (1R) is identical to Senate Bill, No. 2631 which was also reported by the committee on this date.



# SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

**ASSEMBLY, No. 3983**

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 18, 2007

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3983 (1R).

This bill requires the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury, and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of goods or services, within three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to replace all incandescent light bulbs used in State-owned buildings with compact fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, the bill requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

This bill requires the Board of Public Utilities, within 30 days after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

As reported, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2631, as also reported by the committee.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) cannot provide a cost estimate of replacing incandescent light bulbs with more expensive fluorescent bulbs. However, it may be safe to assume that the long-term energy efficiency savings inherent in using fluorescent rather than incandescent light bulbs should offset and eventually exceed any additional expenses incurred in complying with the bill.

With respect to the bill's fiscal impact on the BPU, the OLS estimates that this agency's existing budgetary and staff resources are sufficient to undertake its public education and awareness campaign requirements under the bill without the need for additional State funding.

# SENATE, No. 2631

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 10, 2007

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator PAUL A. SARLO**

**District 36 (Bergen, Essex and Passaic)**

**Senator BARBARA BUONO**

**District 18 (Middlesex)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senators Coniglio and Turner**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires State to replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs; requires BPU to educate public on benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/22/2007)**

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2 supplementing Title 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. a. Within three years after the date of enactment of this act,  
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9 Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department  
10 of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property  
11 Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury,  
12 or any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of  
13 goods or services, as appropriate, shall, whenever possible, replace  
14 all incandescent light bulbs used in buildings owned by the State  
15 with compact fluorescent light bulbs.

16 b. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this  
17 act, notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary,  
18 the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the  
19 Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of  
20 Property Management and Construction in the Department of the  
21 Treasury, or any State agency having authority to contract for the  
22 purchase of goods or services, as appropriate, shall purchase  
23 compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in buildings owned by the  
24 State to the maximum extent practicable.

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26 2. Within 30 days after the date of enactment of this act, the  
27 Board of Public Utilities shall undertake a public education and  
28 awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the  
29 benefits of using compact fluorescent light bulbs. In conducting  
30 this public education and awareness campaign, the board shall  
31 utilize both electronic and print media and any other methods  
32 deemed appropriate.

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34 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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39 This bill requires the Director of the Division of Purchase and  
40 Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Director of the  
41 Division of Property Management and Construction in the  
42 Department of the Treasury, and any State agency having authority  
43 to contract for the purchase of goods or services, within three years  
44 after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to replace all  
45 incandescent light bulbs used in State-owned buildings with  
46 compact fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. Commencing  
47 three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, the bill

**S2631 SARLO, BUONO**

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1 requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in  
2 State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

3 This bill requires the Board of Public Utilities, within 30 days  
4 after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to undertake a  
5 public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and  
6 homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

# SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 2631

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 24, 2007

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2631.

This bill requires the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury, and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of goods or services, within three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to replace all incandescent light bulbs used in State-owned buildings with compact fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, the bill requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

This bill requires the Board of Public Utilities, within 30 days after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

As reported by the committee, Senate Bill, No. 2631 is identical to Assembly Bill, No. 3983 (1R) which was also reported by the committee on this date.

# SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 2631

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 18, 2007

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2631.

This bill requires the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Director of the Division of Property Management and Construction in the Department of the Treasury, and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of goods or services, within three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to replace all incandescent light bulbs used in State-owned buildings with compact fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. Commencing three years after the date of enactment of this bill into law, the bill requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

This bill requires the Board of Public Utilities, within 30 days after the date of enactment of this bill into law, to undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

As reported, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 3983 (1R), as also reported by the committee.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) cannot provide a cost estimate of replacing incandescent light bulbs with more expensive fluorescent bulbs. However, it may be safe to assume that the long-term energy efficiency savings inherent in using fluorescent rather than incandescent light bulbs should offset and eventually exceed any additional expenses incurred in complying with the bill.

With respect to the bill's fiscal impact on the BPU, the OLS estimates that this agency's existing budgetary and staff resources are sufficient to undertake its public education and awareness campaign requirements under the bill without the need for additional State funding.

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
**SENATE, No. 2631**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**212th LEGISLATURE**

DATED: JULY 9, 2007

**SUMMARY**

- Synopsis:** Requires State to replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs; requires BPU to educate public on benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.
- Type of Impact:** Expenditure increase from the General Fund.
- Agencies Affected:** Department of the Treasury, Board of Public Utilities and other agencies having authority to contract for purchase of goods.

**Office of Legislative Services Estimate**

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	<u><b>Year 1</b></u>	<u><b>Year 2</b></u>	<u><b>Year 3</b></u>
<b>State Cost</b>	Unknown - See comments below.		

- The bill requires the Department of the Treasury and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of goods to replace all incandescent light bulbs used in State-owned buildings with compact fluorescent light bulbs within three years after enactment.
- Beyond three years after enactment, the bill requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.
- The bill directs the Board of Public Utilities (BPU), within 30 days after the date of enactment, to undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.
- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) does not have the necessary data to estimate the initial cost of replacing incandescent light bulbs with more expensive fluorescent bulbs, but assumes that the long-term energy efficiency savings derived from using fluorescent bulbs should eventually exceed any additional expenses that may be incurred under the bill.

**BILL DESCRIPTION**

Senate Bill No. 2631 of 2007 requires the Department of the Treasury and any State agency having authority to contract for the purchase of goods or services to replace all incandescent light

bulbs used in State-owned buildings with compact fluorescent light bulbs whenever possible. The bill directs this action to be completed within three years after the date of enactment. Thereafter, it requires the purchase of compact fluorescent light bulbs for use in State-owned buildings to the maximum extent practicable.

The bill also requires the BPU, within 30 days after the date of enactment, to undertake a public education and awareness campaign to inform businesses and homeowners of the benefits of compact fluorescent light bulbs.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### ***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

### ***OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES***

The OLS cannot provide a cost estimate of replacing incandescent light bulbs with more expensive fluorescent bulbs due to the lack of pertinent information available within the time constraints allowed. However, it may be safe to assume that the long-term energy efficiency savings inherent in using fluorescent rather than incandescent light bulbs should offset and eventually exceed any additional expenses incurred in complying with the bill.

With respect to the bill's fiscal impact on the BPU, the OLS estimates that this agency's existing budgetary and staff resources are sufficient to undertake its public education and awareness campaign requirements under the bill without the need for additional State funding.

*Section: Environment, Agriculture, Energy and Natural Resources*

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Senior Fiscal Analyst*

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Legislative Budget and Finance Officer*

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67.