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LAWS OF: 2021 **CHAPTER:** 257

NJSA: 30:4D-7ee (Requires pharmacy benefits manager providing services within Medicaid program to disclose certain information to DHS.)

BILL NO: S249 (Substituted for A1259 (1R))

SPONSOR(S) Singleton, Troy and others

DATE INTRODUCED: 1/14/2020

COMMITTEE: **ASSEMBLY:** Human Services
SENATE: Health, Human Services & Senior Citizens

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: **ASSEMBLY:** 6/21/2021
SENATE: 2/10/2020

DATE OF APPROVAL: 11/8/2021

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (First Reprint enacted)	Yes
S249	
INTRODUCED BILL (INCLUDES SPONSOR'S STATEMENT):	Yes
COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	
ASSEMBLY:	Yes
SENATE:	Yes

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:	No
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:	No

A1259 (1R)

INTRODUCED BILL (INCLUDES SPONSOR'S STATEMENT):	Yes
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ASSEMBLY:	Yes
SENATE:	No

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VETO MESSAGE:

No

GOVERNOR'S PRESS RELEASE ON SIGNING:

Yes

FOLLOWING WERE PRINTED:

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P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 257, *approved November 8, 2021*
Senate, No. 249 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning pharmacy benefits managers providing services
2 within the Medicaid program and supplementing Title 30 of the
3 Revised Statutes.

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

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8 1. a. Any contract or other arrangement entered into by a
9 managed care organization ¹**[**that has contracted with the Division
10 of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of
11 Human Services to provide benefits under the Medicaid Program **]** ,
12 or by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the
13 Department of Human Services,¹ for the provision of pharmacy
14 benefits management services ¹under the Medicaid program¹ shall
15 require the pharmacy benefits manager to disclose to the
16 department:

17 (1) all sources and amounts of income, payments, and financial
18 benefits received by the pharmacy benefits manager in relation to
19 the provision and administration of pharmacy benefits management
20 services on behalf of the managed care organization, including, but
21 not limited to, any pricing discounts, rebates of any kind,
22 inflationary payments, credits, clawbacks, fees, grants, chargebacks,
23 reimbursements, or other benefits;

24 (2) all ingredient costs and dispensing fees or similar payments
25 made by the pharmacy benefits manager to any pharmacy in
26 connection with the contract or other arrangement; and

27 (3) the pharmacy benefits manager's payment model for
28 administrative fees.

29 b. ¹Information disclosed by a pharmacy benefits manager to
30 the division pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall be
31 confidential and not be subject to public disclosure under P.L.1963,
32 c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.), or P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-5 et al.). In
33 addition to any other penalty provided by law, a person who is
34 authorized to access information submitted by a pharmacy benefits
35 manager to the division who knowingly discloses such information
36 to any person or entity who is not authorized to access the
37 information shall be guilty of a crime of the fourth degree and shall
38 be subject to a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. A
39 civil penalty imposed under this subsection shall be collected by the

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:

¹Senate SHH committee amendments adopted January 27, 2020.

1 director pursuant to the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999,"
2 P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.).

3 c.¹ As used in this section:

4 "Pharmacy benefits manager" means a corporation, business, or
5 other entity, or unit within a corporation, business, or other entity,
6 that administers prescription drug benefits on behalf of a managed
7 care organization.

8 "Pharmacy benefits management services" mean the provision of
9 any of the following services on behalf of a managed care
10 organization: the procurement of prescription drugs at a negotiated
11 rate for dispensation within this State; the processing of prescription
12 drug claims; or the administration of payments related to
13 prescription drug claims.

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15 2. The Commissioner of Human Services, pursuant to the
16 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-
17 1 et seq.), shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement
18 the provisions of this act.

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20 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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25 Requires pharmacy benefits manager providing services within
26 Medicaid program to disclose certain information to DHS.

SENATE, No. 249

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2020 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Senator TROY SINGLETON

District 7 (Burlington)

Senator SHIRLEY K. TURNER

District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)

SYNOPSIS

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CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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13 require the pharmacy benefits manager to disclose to the
14 department:

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24 connection with the contract or other arrangement; and

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26 administrative fees.

27 b. As used in this section:

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29 other entity, or unit within a corporation, business, or other entity,
30 that administers prescription drug benefits on behalf of a managed
31 care organization.

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33 any of the following services on behalf of a managed care
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STATEMENT

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49 This bill requires a pharmacy benefits manager providing

1 services within Medicaid program to disclose certain information to
2 the Department of Human Services. It is the sponsor's goal that
3 such transparency will help the State to assess the magnitude in
4 which pharmacy benefits managers engage in spread pricing.
5 Spread pricing means any amount charged or claimed by a
6 pharmacy benefits manager in excess of the amount paid to a
7 pharmacy on behalf of a managed care organization, less an
8 administrative fee. Studies in other states have estimated that
9 prohibiting spread pricing could save Medicaid programs up to \$43
10 million annually.

11 Under this bill, any contract or other arrangement entered into by
12 a managed care organization that has contracted with the Division
13 of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of
14 Human Services to provide benefits under the Medicaid Program
15 for the provision of pharmacy benefits management services would
16 require the pharmacy benefits manager to disclose to the
17 department:

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ASSEMBLY HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 249

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 14, 2021

The Assembly Human Services Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 249 (1R).

This bill requires any contract or other arrangement entered into by a Medicaid managed care organization, or by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services, for the provision of pharmacy benefits management services under the Medicaid Program to require the pharmacy benefits manager to disclose to the department:

(1) all sources and amounts of income, payments, and financial benefits received by the pharmacy benefits manager in relation to the provision and administration of pharmacy benefits management services on behalf of the managed care organization, including, but not limited to, any pricing discounts, rebates of any kind, inflationary payments, credits, clawbacks, fees, grants, chargebacks, reimbursements, or other benefits;

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Information reported by pharmacy benefits managers under the bill will be confidential and will not be subject to disclosure under the "Open Public Records Act," P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) and P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-5 et al.). In addition to any other penalty provided by law, a person who knowingly makes an unauthorized disclosure of information submitted by a pharmacy benefits manager under the bill will be guilty of a crime of the fourth degree, which is punishable by imprisonment for up to 18 months, up to a \$10,000 fine, or both. In addition, an unauthorized disclosure will be punishable by a civil penalty of up to \$10,000.

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the procurement of prescription drugs at a negotiated rate for dispensation within this State; the processing of prescription drug claims; or the administration of payments related to prescription drug claims.

As reported by the committee, Senate Bill No. 249 (1R) is identical to Assembly Bill No. 1259 which was reported by the committee on this date.

SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 249

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 27, 2020

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 249.

As amended by the committee, this bill requires any contract or other arrangement entered into by a Medicaid managed care organization, or by the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services in the Department of Human Services, for the provision of pharmacy benefits management services under the Medicaid Program to require the pharmacy benefits manager to disclose to the department:

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This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2020-2021 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

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ASSEMBLY, No. 1259

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2020 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman GARY S. SCHAER

District 36 (Bergen and Passaic)

Assemblywoman BETTYLOU DECROCE

District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)

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STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1259

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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The Assembly Human Services Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 1259.

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Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

11/8/2021

TRENTON – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

S-249/A-1259 (Singleton, Turner/Schaer, DeCroce, Vainieri Huttle) – Requires pharmacy benefits manager providing services within Medicaid program to disclose certain information to DHS

S-324/A-3533 (Diegnan, A.M. Bucco/Benson, Freiman, DeCroce) – Authorizes operators of motor vehicles to display electronic proof of registration; requires MVC to send application for registration renewal to lessee of leased vehicle

SCS for S-399 and 1645/ACS for A-869 and 1380 (Lagana, Weinberg, Stack, Turner, Cunningham/Chiaravalloti, Holley) – Requires residential landlords to install covers on steam radiators upon request of tenant

S-537/A-3110 (Codey/McKeon, Verrelli, Vainieri Huttle) – Establishes certain minimum and maximum temperatures in rooming and boarding houses, dementia care homes, and certain nursing homes and residential health care facilities

S-550/A-1616 (Codey, Pennacchio/Lampitt, Conaway, Vainieri Huttle) – Requires certain student identification cards to contain telephone number for suicide prevention hotline

SCS for S-647/A-4825 (Greenstein, Singleton/McKeon, Karabinchak, Stanley) – Revises cybersecurity, asset management, and related reporting requirements in “Water Quality Accountability Act”

S-828/A-2101 (Lagana, Greenstein/Swain, Tully, Verrelli) – Requires public utilities and local units to provide notice prior to initiating certain infrastructure projects

S-829/A-2135 (Lagana, Singleton/Tully, Swain, Murphy) – Requires property condition disclosure statement to indicate presence of lead plumbing in residential property

S-830/A-2134 (Lagana, Greenstein/Tully, Swain, Conaway) – Requires public water systems to offer drinking water tests to customers in certain circumstances

S-894/A-3874 (Pou, Greenstein/Lopez, Vainieri Huttle) – Prohibits sale of paint or coating removal products that contain methylene chloride unless purchaser meets certain safety standards for use

S-1010/A-2103 (Lagana, Turner/Swain, Tully, Johnson) – Permits counties and municipalities to bond for alternative fuel vehicles

S-1047/A-1712 (Cryan, Pou/Burzichelli, Karabinchak, Giblin) – Concerns disclosure of certain information prior to sale of real estate

S-1148/A-1221 (Ruiz, Pou/Chaparro, Speight, Wimberly) – Requires emergency contact information and access instructions for social services hotline to be provided to tenants of multiple dwellings

S-1239/A-5131 (Codey/McKeon, Danielsen, Jasey) – Authorizes imposition of fee for connection to municipal electric distribution system

S-1259/A-2628 (Singleton/Murphy) – Concerns labor contractors

S-1726/A-795 (Lagana, Pou/Verrelli, Swain, Zwicker) – Prohibits sale of cosmetic products that have been tested on animals

- S-2727/A-4775 (Pennacchio, Pou/Vainieri Huttie, Jasey, McKnight)** – Establishes Multigenerational Family Housing Continuity Commission; provides municipal guidance to periodically analyze local advancement of commission’s senior citizen housing recommendations
- S-2861/A-5390 (Singleton, Addiego/Quijano, McKnight, Speight)** – Concerns certain restrictive covenants on real property
- S-2996/A-5019 (Testa, Sweeney/McClellan, Taliaferro, Johnson)** – Allows Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling licensees to operate mobile facilities when providing services
- S-3000/A-4688 (Weinberg, Greenstein/Benson, Verrelli, Vainieri Huttie)** – Codifies and establishes certain network adequacy standards for pediatric primary and specialty care in Medicaid program
- S-3032/A-4855 (Sweeney, Vitale/Benson, Vainieri Huttie, Chiaravalloti)** – Requires DOH to develop Statewide plan for infection control and prevention infrastructure improvements in nursing homes
- S-3091/A-4933 (Addiego, Bateman/Burzichelli, Benson, Mukherji)** – Requires builders to offer unit concrete products that utilize carbon footprint-reducing technology as option in new construction; establishes tax incentives, and State and local purchasing requirements, for unit concrete products that utilize carbon footprint-reducing technology
- S-3253/A-2619 (Singleton, Ruiz/Murphy, Speight, Mukherji)** – Establishes alternate route to expedite certification of teachers at early college high school programs
- S-3318/A-5893 (Sweeney, Pou/Vainieri Huttie, Caputo, Karabinchak)** – Provides for voluntary contributions by taxpayers on gross income tax returns for Special Olympics New Jersey
- S-3590/A-5536 (Diegnan, Turner/Burzichelli, Giblin)** – Allows formation of limited liability companies by real estate salespersons and broker-salespersons to receive commission income and requires certain disclosures on promotions
- S-3811/A-5769 (Sweeney, Scutari/Reynolds-Jackson, Quijano, Carter)** – Establishes Kean University as public urban research university
- S-3948/A-5896 (Addiego, Gopal/Houghtaling, Downey)** – Authorizes supplemental State aid to school districts receiving certain federal Impact Aid; makes appropriation
- SJR-41/AJR-33 (Cruz-Perez, Addiego/Lopez, McKnight)** – Designates June 2 of each year as “Gun Violence Awareness Day”
- SJR-109/AJR-208 (Weinberg, Pou/McKnight, Benson, Vainieri Huttie)** – Condemns hate and violent extremism and commits to defense of safe and just democracy
- A-637/S-2670 (Caputo, Dancer, Houghtaling/Beach)** – Revises permit and license processes for sports pools operators and online sports pool operators; revises definitions of certain sports events; allows for transactional waiver for sports wagering lounge
- A-853/S-797 (Chiaravalloti, Karabinchak, McKnight/Cunningham, Doherty)** – Prohibits municipal licensure of children operating temporary businesses
- A-2311/S-356 (Calabrese, Jasey/Cryan, Codey)** – Establishes study commission to examine development of mutually beneficial relationships between institutions of higher education and municipalities
- A-3027/S-793 (Lampitt, Jasey, Houghtaling/Cunningham, Singleton)** – Commits \$3 million from Supplemental Workforce Fund for Basic Skill to NJ Community College Consortium for Workforce and Economic Development
- ACS for A-3352/S-3504 (Kennedy, Stanley, Calabrese/Smith)** – Requires certain newly constructed warehouses to be solar-ready buildings

A-3897/S-3263 (Armato, Mazzeo, DiMaso/Beach, Gopal) – Increases fee for New Jersey Waterfowl Stamps

A-4138/S-2701 (Vainieri Huttle, Benson, Giblin/Gopal, Codey) – Requires Department of Human Services to develop public emergency response plan for licensed providers of services to individuals with developmental disabilities

A-4367/S-2794 (Mukherji, Sumter, Taliaferro/Pou, Scutari) – Provides that AOC shall administer program for municipal courts allowing defendants to engage in online plea negotiations, entry of guilty plea, and payment of fine or penalty

A-4484/S-3153 (McKnight, Kennedy, Mukherji, Gove/Pou, Vitale) – Requires State Long-Term Care Ombudsman to establish long-term care advocacy and educational training program

A-4538/S-3131 (Lampitt, Quijano/Pou, A.M. Bucco) – Requires dental insurers to provide credits for reduced usage during coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic

A-4544/S-3150 (Caputo, Jasey, Murphy/Pou, Codey) – Permits school nurse who is retired from TPAF to return to employment for up to two years without reenrollment in TPAF

A-4633/S-2856 (Giblin, DeCroce/Pou) – Permits certain nonresident Certified Public Accountants to provide attest services

A-4831/S-3953 (Chaparro, Kennedy, Murphy/Scutari) – Clarifies classification in this State of criminal offenses committed in other states or under federal law

A-4836/S-3313 (Giblin, Benson, Downey/Pou, Turner) – Establishes task force to evaluate quality, efficacy, costs, and educational outcomes of online courses offered by public and independent institutions of higher education and degree-granting proprietary institutions during COVID-19 pandemic

A-4861/S-3041 (Vainieri Huttle, Armato, Verrelli/Vitale, Gopal) – Requires DOH to publish total number of COVID-19 deaths and cases in long-term care facilities

A-4869/S-2414 (Wirths, Verrelli, Space/Singleton, Madden) – Requires certain bidders for prevailing wage public work to provide proof that prevailing wage will be paid

A-5059/S-3031 (Conaway, Vainieri Huttle, Benson/Sweeney, Vitale) – Requires DOH to establish certain nursing education and professional advancement programs

A-5212/S-3638 (Conaway, Verrelli, Karabinchak/Turner, Diegnan) – Permits dentists to administer vaccines under certain circumstances

A-5751/S-3823 (Swain, Timberlake, Carter, Johnson/Weinberg, Gopal) – Expands State corrections officers training to include topics contributing to their core mission of treating inmates with dignity, fairness, and respect

A-5817/S-3852 (Tully, Swain, Benson/Lagana, Diegnan) – Revises violation and fines for approving or assigning unauthorized individuals as school bus drivers

A-5818/S-3849 (Tully, Swain, Benson/Lagana, Diegnan) – Provides for debarment of school bus contractors for certain violations; requires certain information in pupil transportation contract bid

AJR-204/SJR-105 (Jasey, Benson, Reynolds-Jackson/Cunningham, T. Kean) – Designates April of each year as “Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Month” in New Jersey

AJR-238/SJR-123 (Burzichelli/Sweeney, Singleton) – Urges U.S. President and EPA to take appropriate action, through waivers and other reforms, to allow blending of renewable fuels under the federal “Clean Air Act”

Governor Murphy conditionally vetoed the following bills:

S-108/A-169 (Gill, Turner/Caputo, Wirths) – **CONDITIONAL** - Concerns speech rights of student journalists at public schools and public institutions of higher education

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S-2078/A-5008 (Weinberg, Addiego/Lampitt, Benson, Vainieri Huttle) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes “Stillbirth Resource Center” and regional Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Committee, and programs for the prevention and reduction of incidences of stillbirth; expands list of professionals authorized to provide stillbirth-related care

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S-2160/A-5701 (Sweeney, Oroho, Singer/Carter, Lampitt, Jasey) – CONDITIONAL - Creates special education unit within the Office of Administrative Law; requires annual report

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S-2525/A-4274 (Rice, Singleton, Turner/Conaway, Sumter, Stanley) – CONDITIONAL - Expands powers and duties of State Chief Diversity Officer to promote diversity in State government and public contracting

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S-2559/ACS for A-4179 and 4200 (Gopal, Gill/Downey, Conaway, Benson, Houghtaling, Karabinchak) – CONDITIONAL - Revises requirements for health insurance providers and Medicaid to cover services provided using telemedicine and telehealth; appropriates \$5 million

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S-2834/A-5312 (Ruiz, Cunningham/Quijano, Lampitt, McKnight) – CONDITIONAL - Mandates training on culturally responsive teaching for all candidates for teaching certification

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S-2953/A-4785 (Sweeney, Cunningham/Quijano, Verrelli, Mukherji) – CONDITIONAL - Expands scope of inmate reentry assistance and benefits

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S-3238/A-5213 (Ruiz, Pou/Verrelli, McKnight, McKeon) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes New Jersey Easy Enrollment Health Insurance Program

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S-3488/A-5537 (Sweeney, Gopal, O'Scanlon/Burzichelli, Dancer, Spearman) – CONDITIONAL - Modifies certain procedures pertaining to school district regionalization; establishes grant program for cost reimbursement of conducting regionalization feasibility studies; and provides financial incentives for regionalization

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S-3867/A-5868 (Addiego, Singleton/Benson, Verrelli, Vainieri Huttle) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund and Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund Advisory Council; provides for funds received from opioid settlements to support substance use disorder prevention and treatment programs

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S-3955/A-5905 (Ruiz/Timberlake, Speight, Spearman) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes “Rental Assistance Navigation Program” in DCA; makes appropriation

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A-1533/S-3321 (Spearman, Reynolds-Jackson, Schaer/Stack, Turner) – CONDITIONAL - Requires reservation of portion of tenant-based vouchers under State rental assistance program for persons displaced due to redevelopment of an affordable housing development; provides displaced persons with affordable housing priority status

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A-2455/S-2204 (Benson, Vainieri Huttie, DeAngelo/Greenstein, Oroho) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes pilot program in DOE to support FIRST Robotics Programs in school districts

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A-3062/S-1196 (Pintor Marin, Moen, Reynolds-Jackson/Pou, Cruz-Perez) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes three year Financial Empowerment Pilot Program

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A-4002/S-2257 (Caputo, Dancer, Murphy/Gopal, Sarlo) – CONDITIONAL - Allows deduction of promotional gaming credit from gross revenue on sports wagering

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A-4433/S-2715 (Greenwald, Mukherji, Lampitt/Beach, Corrado) – CONDITIONAL - Creates grant program to encourage school districts to partner with institutions of higher education in training school-based mental health services providers

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A-4435/S-2717 (Verrelli, Greenwald, Speight, Lampitt/Beach, Corrado) – CONDITIONAL - Requires DCF to give priority to certain school districts with student mental health counseling centers in awarding grants under School Based Youth Services Program

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A-4630/S-577 (Burzichelli/Madden, Singleton) – CONDITIONAL - Concerns labor harmony agreements in retail and distribution center projects

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A-4746/S-3947 (Mosquera, Lopez, Chaparro, Dunn/Vitale, Turner) – CONDITIONAL - Requires that certain provider subsidy payments for child care services be based on enrollment

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A-4834/S-3474 (Mazzeo, Quijano, Downey/Pou, Turner) – CONDITIONAL - Requires disclosure letter be included with mail falsely implying State government connection

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A-4850/S-3095 (Karabinchak, Freiman, Calabrese, Greenwald/Diegnan) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes expedited construction inspection program

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A-5033/S-3279 (Benson, Dancer, Verrelli/Gopal) – CONDITIONAL - Authorizes motor vehicle dealers to sell motor vehicles online and obtain electronic signatures for motor vehicle transactions

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A-5353/S-3421 (Conaway, Vainieri Huttie, Benson/Madden, Turner) – CONDITIONAL - Provides for certification of temporary nurse aides

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A-5599/S-3916 (Chiaravalloti, Vainieri Huttie, McKnight/Scutari, Gill) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes order of protection for current or former judge; upgrades and clarifies harassment against current or former judge; bars firearms possession by persons against whom current or former judge order of protection is entered

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A-5864/S-3939 (Speight, Pintor Marin, Chaparro, McKnight, DeAngelo, Bergen/Gopal, Cryan) – CONDITIONAL - Allows law enforcement officers to review body worn camera recordings prior to creating initial report

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Governor Murphy absolute vetoed the following bills:

S-415/A-4685 (Turner/Quijano, Verrelli) – ABSOLUTE - Requires reentry assistance to be provided to certain inmates who have served their maximum sentence

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S-969/ACS for A-2687 (Ruiz, Turner/Mazzeo, Lampitt, Moen) – CONDITIONAL - Establishes loan redemption program for teachers in certain fields to redeem loan amounts received under New Jersey College Loans to Assist State Students Loan Program through employment in certain low performing schools

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S-2261/A-4265 (Singleton/Conaway) – ABSOLUTE - Revises law relating to common interest communities

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S-2347/A-4030 (Sweeney, Greenstein, T. Kean/Mukherji, Benson, Murphy) – ABSOLUTE - Establishes Employment and Business-Related Tax Deferral Assistance Program in EDA to allow small businesses to defer the payment and remittance of certain employment and business-related taxes during COVID-19 public health emergency

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S-3093/A-4910 (Gopal, Sweeney, Singleton/Burzichelli, Johnson, Danielsen) – ABSOLUTE - Establishes county-based mitigation plan to allow businesses to operate during pandemic

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S-3505/A-5371 (Scutari, Weinberg/Mukherji, Johnson, Quijano) – ABSOLUTE - Requires assignment of unemployment claims handlers to legislative districts and partisan offices during COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency; appropriates \$1.8 million

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S-3868/A-5895 (Sarlo/Giblin) – ABSOLUTE - Concerns construction code enforcing agency fee revenue

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A-2722/S-1862 (Mukherji/Gopal, Oroho) – ABSOLUTE - Requires Commissioner of Corrections to institute 30-minute shift overlap in State correctional facilities

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A-4297/S-2631 (Houghtaling, Downey, Space/Gopal, Oroho) – ABSOLUTE - Permits conduct of bingos and raffles remotely; permits online sale of tickets for all bingos and raffles

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A-5231/S-3806 (Lopez, Coughlin, Freiman/Vitale) – ABSOLUTE - Allows county or municipal governing body to enter into revenue sharing agreement for alcoholic beverage sales by concessionaire permit holder

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