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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

(Gubernatorial inaugural events--exempts non-profit fund raisers from contribution fund)

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LAWS 1981

CHAPTER 521

Bill No. S3508

Sponsor(s) DiFrancesco

Date Introduced Dec. 7, 1981

Committee: Assembly

Senate State Govt., Federal & Interstate Relations & Veterans Affairs

Amended during passage Yes

~~No~~ Amendments during passage denoted by asterisks

Date of Passage: Assembly Jan. 11, 1982

Senate Dec. 14, 1981

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Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement Yes ~~No~~ (Below)

Committee Statement: Assembly Yes ~~No~~

Senate Yes ~~No~~

Fiscal Note Yes ~~No~~

Veto Message Yes ~~No~~

Message on signing Yes Yes ~~No~~

Following were printed:

Reports Yes ~~No~~

Hearings Yes ~~No~~

Sponsor's statement:

This bill would increase the maximum contribution allowable at gubernatorial inaugural events from to \$250.00 to \$500.00 and exempt non-profit fund-raisers from the maximum contribution limit.

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974.90 New Jersey. Election Law Enforcement Commission.
E38 New Jersey public financing - 1981 Gubernatorial
1982 elections: conclusions and recommendations. June, 1982.
Trenton, 1982.
(See page 29)

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SENATE, No. 3508

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 7, 1981

By Senator DiFRANCESCO

Referred to Committee on State Government, Federal and
Interstate Relations and Veterans Affairs

AN ACT concerning pre-inaugural gubernatorial political contribu-
tions and amending P. L. 1980, c. 74.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. Section 17 of P. L. 1980, c. 74 (C. 19:44A-18.1) is amended
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5 or contributions for the purpose of any gubernatorial inaugural
6 fund-raising event or events in the aggregate in excess of **[\$250.00]**
7 ***[\$500.00]* *\$250.00***.

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12 the date of the inauguration of the Governor, whether the event
13 is sponsored by the inaugural committee, the State political party
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15 other person or persons, and at which the Governor-elect is a prom-
16 inent participant or for which solicitations of contributions include
17 the name of the Governor-elect in prominent display; **[except that**
18 *this limitation shall not apply to fund-raising events on behalf of*
19 *religious, charitable, benevolent, scientific, literary, or educational*
20 *nonprofit institutions]* ***except that this definition shall not apply**
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20B *tific, artistic or educational non-profit institution as long as any*
20C *proceeds from the event will not be controlled by the Governor-elect*
20D *or any political committee or political party committee, and the*
20E *proceeds will not be contributed to the Governor-elect, the candidacy*

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20G committee*.

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SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE, No. 3508

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED DECEMBER 14, 1981

Amend page 1, section 1, line 7, after "J", omit "\$500.00", insert "\$250.00".

Amend page 1, section 1, lines 17-20, omit "except that", on line 17, all of lines 18 and 19 and "nonprofit institution" on line 20, insert "except that this definition shall not apply to an event sponsored by a religious, charitable, benevolent, scientific, artistic or educational non-profit institution as long as any proceeds from the event will not be controlled by the Governor-elect or any political committee or political party committee, and the proceeds will not be contributed to the Governor-elect, the candidacy of the Governor-elect, a political committee or political party committee".

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

JANUARY 18, 1982

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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S-3195, sponsored by Senator Joseph Merlino (D-Mercer), raising the income eligibility ceiling for the State's Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged (PAA) program. The eligibility ceilings are raised from \$9,000 to \$12,000 for single individuals and from \$12,000 to \$15,000 for married couples. The bill extends PAA benefits to disabled persons as well.

Because the PAA program also determines eligibility for the "lifeline" utility credit and tenant rebate programs, the bill will effectively increase the number of recipients in all three programs.

The bill takes effect March 1, 1982.

S-3501, sponsored by Senator John Russo (D-Ocean), establishing a Statewide Speedy Trial Coordinating Committee to administer a Speedy Trial Program.

The bill is a one-time-only appropriation of \$500,000 in grants to county speedy trial committees to clear the criminal case backlog.

S-3508, sponsored by Senator Donald DiFrancesco (R-Union), keeping the maximum contribution for gubernatorial inaugural events at the current \$250 per person. The bill also prohibits non-profit fundraisers from contributing to the Governor-elect's activities.

S-3484, sponsored by Senator John Caufield (D-Essex), authorizing the State Housing Finance Agency (HFA) to finance fire and other safety improvement loans for boarding homes. Under the bill, the HFA would sell bonds and use the proceeds to make the improvement loans.

S-3156, sponsored by Senator Steven P. Perskie (D-Atlantic), eliminating tenure for municipal managers in municipalities with a council-manager system of government. A grandfather clause will protect current municipal managers with tenure.