

# 2A:62A-11

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**SPONSOR(S):** Bark and Girgenti  
**DATE INTRODUCED:** May 18, 1998  
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**SENATE:** Judiciary  
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**SENATE:** July 30, 1998  
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### FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reprint  
(Amendments during passage denoted by superscript numbers)

#### S1061

<b>SPONSORS STATEMENT:</b> (Begins on page 3 of original bill)	Yes
<b>COMMITTEE STATEMENT:</b>	<b>ASSEMBLY:</b> Yes
	<b>SENATE:</b> Yes
<b>FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:</b>	Yes
<b>LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:</b>	No

#### A3181

<b>SPONSORS STATEMENT:</b> (Begins on page 3f original bill)	Yes
<b>COMMITTEE STATEMENT:</b>	<b>ASSEMBLY:</b> No
	<b>SENATE:</b> No
<b>FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:</b>	No
<b>LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:</b>	No

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[see pp. 6, 10 and Appendix C & Appendix F]

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**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:** No

P.L. 1999, CHAPTER 319, *approved January 6, 2000*

Senate, No. 1061 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning <sup>1</sup>certain rules of evidence and<sup>1</sup> civil process,  
2 supplementing Title 2A of the New Jersey Statutes and <sup>1</sup>[amending  
3 and]<sup>1</sup> repealing various sections of the statutory law.

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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 <sup>1</sup>[1. Section 2 of P.L.1986, c.189 (C.2A:62A-11) is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 2. Any person taking a specimen pursuant to section 1 of this act  
11 shall, upon request, furnish to any law enforcement agency a certificate  
12 stating that the specimen was taken pursuant to section 1 of this act  
13 and in a medically acceptable manner. The certificate shall be signed  
14 under oath before a notary public or other person empowered to take  
15 oaths [and shall be admissible in any proceeding as evidence of the  
16 statements contained therein].

17 (cf: P.L.1986, c.189, s.2)]<sup>1</sup>

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19 <sup>1</sup>[2.] 1.<sup>1</sup> (New section) a. If a business entity, foreign or  
20 domestic, is required to register with a State official or agency to  
21 transact business in this State and is required to register an address or  
22 an agent in this State for the service of process, process in any action  
23 in any court of this State directed to the business may be served at the  
24 address or on the agent registered;

25 b. If a business entity, foreign or domestic, is required to register  
26 with a State official or agency to transact business in this State and is  
27 required to register an address or an agent in this State for the service  
28 of process, process in any action in any court of this State directed to  
29 the business may be served on the State official or agency, if:

30 (1) The business entity has failed to register or re-register as  
31 required by law; or

32 (2) The business entity has failed to maintain a registered address  
33 or a registered agent in this State for service of process, as required by  
34 law.

35 c. The official or agency upon which substituted service has been  
36 made, within two days after service, shall notify the business entity to  
37 which the process was directed, by a letter to its registered office, if  
38 any, or to any officer of the entity known to the official or agency. A  
39 copy of the process or other paper served shall be enclosed with 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:**

<sup>1</sup> Senate floor amendments adopted June 22, 1998.

1 letter.

2 d. Service of process as provided in subsection (a) shall be as  
3 effective in any action as if the business entity had entered its general  
4 appearance in the action.

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6 <sup>1</sup>**[3.]2.**<sup>1</sup> The following sections are repealed:

7 <sup>1</sup>**[R.S.1:2-4;**

8 **R.S.1:2-8;]**<sup>1</sup>

9 N.J.S.2A:15-20 and N.J.S.2A:15-21;

10 Section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.219 (C.2A:15-21.1);

11 N.J.S.2A:15-22 through N.J.S.2A:15-39;

12 N.J.S.2A:16-43;

13 <sup>1</sup>**[Section 5 of P.L.1983, c.234(C.2A:54A-3);]**<sup>1</sup>

14 N.J.S.2A:81-1;

15 N.J.S.2A:81-8;

16 N.J.S.2A:81-12 through N.J.S.2A:81-14;

17 <sup>1</sup>**[N.J.S.2A:82-1 and]**<sup>1</sup> N.J.S.2A:82-2;

18 <sup>1</sup>**[N.J.S.2A:82-5]** N.J.S.2A:82-8<sup>1</sup> through <sup>1</sup>**[N.J.S.2A:82-10;**

19 **N.J.S.2A:82-11 and N.J.S.2A:82-12]** N.J.S.2A:82-12<sup>1</sup>;

20 N.J.S.2A:82-14 through <sup>1</sup>**[N.J.S.2A:82-23]**N.J.S.2A:82-16<sup>1</sup>;

21 N.J.S.2A:82-25 through <sup>1</sup>**[N.J.S.2A:82-40]**N.J.S.2A:82-37<sup>1</sup>;

22 Sections 1 through 16 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-1 through  
23 C.2A:84A-16);

24 <sup>1</sup>**[Sections]** Section<sup>1</sup> 50 <sup>1</sup>**[and 51]**<sup>1</sup> of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-

25 46 <sup>1</sup>**[and C.2A:84A-47]**<sup>1</sup>);

26 <sup>1</sup>**[Section 52 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-49);]**<sup>1</sup>

27 R.S.4:20-20;

28 <sup>1</sup>**[Section 123 of P.L.1948, c.67 (C.17:9A-123);**

29 **R.S.17:14A-43;]**<sup>1</sup>

30 Section 11 of P.L.1951, c.264 (C.27:23-35);

31 Section 3 of P.L.1948, c.342 (C.39:4-138.2);

32 Section 115 of P.L.1951, c.23 (<sup>1</sup>**[C.39-4-201.2]** C.39:4-201.2<sup>1</sup>);

33 R.S. 45:9-20;

34 <sup>1</sup>**[R.S. 48:12-3;]**<sup>1</sup> and

35 R.S. 56:3-18.

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37 <sup>1</sup>**[4.]3.**<sup>1</sup> This act shall take effect immediately.

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42 Supplements and repeals certain statutes dealing with evidence and  
43 service of process.

**SENATE, No. 1061**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**208th LEGISLATURE**

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INTRODUCED MAY 18, 1998

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator MARTHA W. BARK**

**District 8 (Atlantic, Burlington and Camden)**

**Senator JOHN A. GIRGENTI**

**District 35 (Passaic)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Amends and repeals certain statutes dealing with evidence and service of process.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



S1061 BARK, GIRGENTI

2

1 AN ACT concerning civil process, supplementing Title 2A of the New  
2 Jersey Statutes and amending and repealing various sections of the  
3 statutory law.

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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. Section 2 of P.L.1986, c.189 (C.2A:62A-11) is amended to read  
9 as follows:

10 2. Any person taking a specimen pursuant to section 1 of this act  
11 shall, upon request, furnish to any law enforcement agency a certificate  
12 stating that the specimen was taken pursuant to section 1 of this act  
13 and in a medically acceptable manner. The certificate shall be signed  
14 under oath before a notary public or other person empowered to take  
15 oaths [and shall be admissible in any proceeding as evidence of the  
16 statements contained therein].

17 (cf: P.L.1986, c.189, s.2)

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19 2. (New section) a. If a business entity, foreign or domestic, is  
20 required to register with a State official or agency to transact business  
21 in this State and is required to register an address or an agent in this  
22 State for the service of process, process in any action in any court of  
23 this State directed to the business may be served at the address or on  
24 the agent registered;

25 b. If a business entity, foreign or domestic, is required to register  
26 with a State official or agency to transact business in this State and is  
27 required to register an address or an agent in this State for the service  
28 of process, process in any action in any court of this State directed to  
29 the business may be served on the State official or agency, if:

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31 required by law; or

32 (2) The business entity has failed to maintain a registered address  
33 or a registered agent in this State for service of process, as required by  
34 law.

35 c. The official or agency upon which substituted service has been  
36 made, within two days after service, shall notify the business entity to  
37 which the process was directed, by a letter to its registered office, if  
38 any, or to any officer of the entity known to the official or agency. A  
39 copy of the process or other paper served shall be enclosed with the  
40 letter.

41 d. Service of process as provided in subsection (a) shall be as  
42 effective in any action as if the business entity had entered its general  
43 appearance in the action.

**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.**

1 3. The following sections are repealed:  
2 R.S.1:2-4;  
3 R.S.1:2-8;  
4 N.J.S.2A:15-20 and N.J.S.2A:15-21;  
5 Section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.219 (C.2A:15-21.1);  
6 N.J.S.2A:15-22 through N.J.S.2A:15-39;  
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8 Section 5 of P.L.1983, c.234(C.2A:54A-3);  
9 N.J.S.2A:81-1;  
10 N.J.S.2A:81-8;  
11 N.J.S.2A:81-12 through N.J.S.2A:81-14;  
12 N.J.S.2A:82-1 and N.J.S.2A:82-2;  
13 N.J.S.2A:82-5 through N.J.S.2A:82-10;  
14 N.J.S.2A:82-11 and N.J.S.2A82-12;  
15 N.J.S.2A:82-14 through N.J.S.2A:82-23;  
16 N.J.S.2A:82-25 through N.J.S.2A:82-40;  
17 Sections 1 through 16 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-1 through  
18 C.2A:84A-16);  
19 Sections 50 and 51 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-46 and  
20 C.2A:84A-47);  
21 Section 52 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-49);  
22 R.S.4:20-20;  
23 Section 123 of P.L.1948, c.67 (C.17:9A-123);  
24 R.S.17:14A-43;  
25 Section 11 of P.L.1951, c.264 (C.27:23-35);  
26 Section 3 of P.L.1948, c.342 (C.39:4-138.2);  
27 Section 115 of P.L.1951, c.23 (C.39-4-201.2);  
28 R.S. 45:9-20;  
29 R.S. 48:12-3; and  
30 R.S. 56:3-18.

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32 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

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37 In 1996, the New Jersey Law Revision Commission undertook a  
38 review of the statutes presently set forth in Title 2A dealing with  
39 service of process and evidence and recommended the repeal or  
40 amendment of a number of statutes rendered obsolete or unnecessary.

41 This bill would embody those recommendations. The bill would  
42 repeal a number of statutes concerning evidence which were made  
43 obsolete by the 1993 adoption of the New Jersey Rules of Evidence  
44 (N.J.S.A.2A:84A-33 et seq.). The bill would also would amend one  
45 statute, N.J.S.A. 2A:62A-11, to reflect the new Rules of Evidence.

46 This bill would also embody the Commission's recommendation

**S1061 BARK, GIRGENTI**

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1 concerning outdated sections of Title 2A regarding service of process.  
2 Service of process is currently governed by court rule. Consequently,  
3 the Commission found that many of the statutory sections set forth in  
4 Title 2A dealing with service of process were outdated and  
5 unnecessary, and recommended that twenty-one sections of Title 2A  
6 be repealed. This bill would repeal those sections. The bill would also  
7 recodify those provisions of Title 2A dealing with substitute service of  
8 process for business entities, which the Commission recommended  
9 should be retained.

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

**SENATE, No. 1061**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MAY 20, 1999

The Assembly Judiciary Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1061 (1R).

In 1996, the New Jersey Law Revision Commission undertook a review of the statutes presently set forth in Title 2A dealing with service of process and evidence and recommended the repeal or amendment of a number of statutes rendered obsolete or unnecessary.

This bill embodies those recommendations and would repeal a number of statutes concerning evidence which were made obsolete by the 1993 adoption of the New Jersey Rules of Evidence (N.J.R.E 101 through 1103).

With regard to the service of process, the bill would repeal several sections of Title 2A which the commission found to be unnecessary and outdated. This bill would also recodify those provisions of Title 2A dealing with substitute service of process for business entities, which the Commission recommended should be retained.



SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 1061**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 15, 1998

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1061.

In 1996, the New Jersey Law Revision Commission undertook a review of the statutes presently set forth in Title 2A dealing with service of process and evidence and recommended the repeal or amendment of a number of statutes rendered obsolete or unnecessary.

This bill embodies those recommendations.

The bill would repeal a number of statutes concerning evidence which were made obsolete by the 1993 adoption of the New Jersey Rules of Evidence (N.J.R.E 101 through 1103). The bill would also amend one statute, N.J.S.A.2A:62A-11, to reflect the new Rules of Evidence.

With regard to the service of process, the bill would repeal twenty-one sections of Title 2A which the commission found to be unnecessary and outdated. This bill would also recodify those provisions of Title 2A dealing with substitute service of process for business entities, which the Commission recommended should be retained.

STATEMENT TO  
**SENATE, No. 1061**

with Senate Floor Amendments  
(Proposed By Senator BARK)

ADOPTED: JUNE 22, 1998

These floor amendments omit section 1 of the bill thus making no changes in N.J.S.A.2A:62A-11.

These floor amendments also save from repeal some sections of the law which the bill in its original form sought to repeal. Under these floor amendments, the following would not be repealed: R.S.1:2-4; R.S.1:2-8; Section 5 of P.L.1983, c.234 (C.2A:54A-3); N.J.S.2A:82-1; N.J.S.2A:82-5 through 7; N.J.S.2A:82-17 through 23; N.J.S. 2A:82-38 through 40; Section 51 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-47); Section 52 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-49); Section 123 of P.L.1948, c.67 (C.17:9A-123); R.S.17:14A-43 and R.S.48:12-3.

**ASSEMBLY, No. 3181**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**208th LEGISLATURE**

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INTRODUCED MAY 24, 1999

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman RICHARD A. MERKT**

**District 25 (Morris)**

**Assemblyman MICHAEL PATRICK CARROLL**

**District 25 (Morris)**

**SYNOPSIS**

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**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



A3181 MERKT, CARROLL

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38 N.J.S.2A:16-43;

39 N.J.S.2A:81-1;

40 N.J.S.2A:81-8;

41 N.J.S.2A:81-12 through N.J.S.2A:81-14;

42 N.J.S.2A:82-2;

43 N.J.S.2A:82-8 through N.J.S.2A:82-12;

44 N.J.S.2A:82-14 through N.J.S.2A:82-16;

45 N.J.S.2A:82-25 through N.J.S.2A:82-37;

46 Sections 1 through 16 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-1 through

1 C.2A:84A-16);  
2 Section 50 of P.L.1960, c.52 (C.2A:84A-46);  
3 R.S.4:20-20;  
4 Section 11 of P.L.1951, c.264 (C.27:23-35);  
5 Section 3 of P.L.1948, c.342 (C.39:4-138.2);  
6 Section 115 of P.L.1951, c.23 (C.39:4-201.2);  
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11 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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17 service of process and evidence and recommended the repeal or  
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19 This bill embodies those recommendations.

20 The bill would repeal a number of statutes concerning evidence  
21 which were made obsolete by the 1993 adoption of the New Jersey  
22 Rules of Evidence (N.J.R.E 101 through 1103).

23 With regard to the service of process, the bill would repeal several  
24 sections of Title 2A which the commission found to be unnecessary  
25 and outdated. This bill would also recodify those provisions of Title  
26 2A dealing with substitute service of process for business entities,  
27 which the Commission recommended should be retained.

*Office of the Governor*  
**NEWS RELEASE**

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RELEASE: January 6, 2000

Gov. Christie Whitman today signed the following pieces of legislation:

**S-1551**, sponsored by Senators Nicholas J. Sacco (D-Bergen/Hudson) and Henry P. McNamara (R-Bergen/Passaic) and Assembly Members John E. Rooney (R-Bergen) and David C. Russo (R-Bergen/Passaic), authorizes the board of education of a school district to apply to the economic Development Administration (EDA) for an interest-free loan for the costs of cleaning up a leaking tank, or upgrading or closing a regulated tank.

**S-2013**, sponsored by Senators Norman M. Robertson (R-Essex/Passaic) and William L. Gormley (R-Atlantic) and Assembly Members Joseph V. Doria, Jr. (D-Hudson) and Anthony M. Impreveduto (D-Bergen/Hudson), prohibits physicians, chiropractors, and other health care professionals from soliciting professional employment from accident and disaster victims within the 30-day period after the accident or disaster. The bill also provides for a criminal penalty against attorneys who violate the rules of professional conduct by contacting victims.

**SCS for S-1613**, sponsored by Senators C. Louis Bassano (R-Essex/Union) and Henry P. McNamara (R-Bergen/Passaic) and Assembly Members John E. Rooney (R-Bergen) and David C. Russo (R-Bergen/Passaic), establishes a certification requirement for persons removing or installing an unregulated storage tank. Unregulated storage tanks are those used for residential purposes and non-residential tanks under 2000 gallons.

**S-1941**, sponsored by Senators Richard J. Codey (D-Essex) and Donald T. DiFrancesco (R-Middlesex/Morris/Somerset/Union) and Assembly Members Joseph V. Doria, Jr. (D-Hudson) and Jack Collins (R-Salem/Cumberland/Gloucester), establishes the Senator Wynona Lipman Chair in Political Leadership at the Center for the American Woman and Politics at the Eagleton Institute of Politics. The bill appropriates \$100,000 to finance the chair. The bill is a tribute to the late Senator Lipman.

**S-908**, sponsored by Senators Joseph A. Palaia (R-Monmouth) and John Matheussen (R-Camden/Gloucester) and Assembly Member Tom Smith (R-Monmouth) reduces the minimum eligibility age for membership in the Junior Firemen's Auxiliary from 16 to 14.

**S-1370**, sponsored by Senator James S. Cafiero (R-Atlantic/Cape May/Cumberland) and Assembly Members John C. Gibson (R-Atlantic/Cape May/Cumberland) and Nicholas Asselta (R-Atlantic/Cape May/Cumberland), extends to elementary students certain drug counseling-related confidentiality protections currently available to secondary students. The bill is intended to encourage students to seek out drug counseling and foster greater communication between students and counselors.

**S-1061**, sponsored by Senators Martha W. Bark (R-Atlantic/Burlington/Camden) and John A. Girgenti (D-Passaic) and Assembly Members Richard A. Merkt (R-Morris) and Michael Patrick Carroll (R-Morris), repeals, recodifies and supplements a number of statutes dealing with evidence and service of process. The bill embodies the recommendations of the New Jersey Law Revision Commission, which in 1996 undertook a review of these statutes.

**S-273**, sponsored by the late Senator Wynona Lipman (D-Essex/Union) and Assembly Member Craig A. Stanley (D-Essex), grants voting rights to student members of the Commission on Higher Education.

**S-1954**, sponsored by Senators C. Louis Bassano (R-Essex/Union) and Donald T. DiFrancesco (R-Middlesex/Morris/Somerset/Union) and Assembly Members Kevin J. O'Toole (R-Essex/ Union) and Joel M. Weingarten (R-Essex/Union), permits the Governor to appoint up to three out-of-state alumni to the boards of trustees of each of the nine state colleges and universities. Previously, all members of the boards of trustees were required to be citizens of New Jersey.

**A-2392**, sponsored by Assembly Members Paul DiGaetano (R- Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Doria (D-Hudson) and Senator C. Louis Bassano (R- Essex/Union), permits a chiropractor licensed to practice in New Jersey (or a bordering state) to certify a person as handicapped for purposes of handicapped parking. Under previous law, only a licensed physician or podiatrist could grant this certification.

**A-2781**, sponsored by Assembly Members Connie Myers (R- Warren/Hunterdon/Mercer) and Guy R. Gregg (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris) and Senator Martha W. Bark (R-Atlantic/ Burlington/Camden), allows the issuance of a permit to farmers to kill deer because of crop damage incurred anytime in the prior year. In order to receive the special permit, the bill allows the Division of Fish and Wildlife to require a farmer to demonstrate that he or she has sustained crop damage due to deer during the previous 12- month period.

**S-401**, sponsored by Senator Robert E. Littell (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris) and Assembly Members Paul R. Kramer (R-Mercer/Middlesex) and Marion Crecco (R-Essex/Passaic), criminalizes "jumping" emergency calls. The bill's purpose is to enhance public safety by preventing persons from disrupting medical personnel and firefighters during emergencies. As a result of the bill, it is now a fourth-degree crime to use intercepted information to interfere with fire fighting operations or the provision of medical services by first aid, rescue or ambulance squad personnel.

**A-3250**, sponsored by Assembly Members Richard A. Merkt (R-Morris) and Guy R. Gregg (R-Sussex/ Hunterdon/Morris) and Senators Louis F. Kosco (R- Bergen) and Dr. Gerald Cardinale (R-Bergen), forbids tax stamping, and therefore, the sale of re-imported cigarettes originally produced for export. The bill attempts to ban gray market cigarettes by amending the Cigarette Tax Act to prohibit tobacco distributors from affixing cigarette tax stamps on cigarette packages that are repatriated. There are currently 24 states that have enacted similar legislation.