

**54:3-27.2 & 54:4-134**  
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**LAWS OF:** 2021                    **CHAPTER:** 432

**NJSA:** 54:3-27.2 & 54:4-134 (Permits municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by taxpayer who wins assessment appeal as property tax credit.)

**BILL NO:** A862                    (Substituted for S926 (1R))

**SPONSOR(S)** Chiaravalloti, Nicholas and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 1/14/2020

**COMMITTEE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** State & Local Government

**SENATE:** Community & Urban Affairs

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** 1/10/2022

**SENATE:** 1/10/2022

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 1/18/2022

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL** (Second Reprint enacted)                    Yes

**A862**

**INTRODUCED BILL (INCLUDES SPONSOR'S STATEMENT):**                    Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** Yes

**SENATE:** Yes

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**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:**                    Yes

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:**                    No

**S926 (1R)**

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P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 432, *approved January 18, 2022*  
Assembly, No. 862 (*Second Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning real property assessment appeals and amending  
2 P.L.1975, c.361 and P.L.1983, c.137.

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5 of New Jersey:

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12 respective taxing district shall refund any excess taxes paid, together  
13 with interest thereon from the date of payment at a rate of five percent  
14 per annum or one percentage point above the prime rate assessed for  
15 each month or fraction thereof, compounded annually at the end of  
16 each year, from the date the tax originally was due or paid, whichever  
17 date is later, until the date of actual payment, whichever interest rate is  
18 lesser, less any amount of taxes, interest, and penalties, which may be  
19 applied against delinquencies pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1983, c.137  
20 (C.54:4-134) <sup>2</sup>[,]. In the case of nonresidential real property, a  
21 municipality may refund the amount owed to the taxpayer<sup>2</sup> in  
22 substantially equal payment periods and substantially equal payment  
23 amounts within three years of the date of final judgment <sup>2</sup>. A  
24 municipality may also,<sup>2</sup> in the case of nonresidential real property <sup>2</sup>;  
25 provided, however, that if ] , refund the amount owed to the taxpayer  
26 as a credit, including any interest that accumulates until the excess is  
27 fully returned, against the balance of property taxes that become due  
28 and payable on the parcel of nonresidential real property immediately  
29 following the county board of taxation's decision or the Tax Court  
30 judgment, as appropriate, but if the excess has not been fully refunded  
31 to the taxpayer in connection with the nonresidential real property after  
32 three years, then the remaining excess shall be immediately refunded.  
33 If<sup>2</sup> the dollar amount of the refund <sup>2</sup>due on nonresidential real  
34 property, however,<sup>2</sup> does not exceed \$100,000, the amount shall be  
35 repaid within 60 days of the final judgment. In the case of residential  
36 real property, the refund shall be paid within 60 days of the date of  
37 final judgment <sup>2</sup>]; except that a]. <sup>2</sup> <sup>2</sup>[municipality may refund the  
38 amount owed to the taxpayer as a credit <sup>1</sup>, including any interest that  
39 accumulates until the excess is fully returned,<sup>1</sup> against the balance of  
40 property taxes that become due and payable on the parcel of real  
41 property immediately following the county board of taxation's

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Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly floor amendments adopted June 21, 2021.

<sup>2</sup>Assembly amendments adopted in accordance with Governor's recommendations January 10, 2022.

1 decision, or the Tax Court judgment, as appropriate <sup>1</sup>. If the excess  
2 has not been fully refunded to the taxpayer after three years, then the  
3 remaining excess shall immediately be refunded<sup>1</sup>.<sup>2</sup>

4 Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude Local  
5 Finance Board approval for any municipality that has ended the  
6 previous budget year with a deficit in operations caused, whether in  
7 whole or in part, by obligations created from tax appeals to issue notes  
8 pursuant to section 3 of P.L.2011, c.224 (C.40A:4-89).

9 (cf: P.L.2019, c.230, s.1)

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12 as follows:

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17 property taxes, water or sewer payments, or parking or payroll taxes  
18 imposed or to be collected by the municipality against that property or  
19 the owner or owners of that property are delinquent at the time of the  
20 determination or judgment, the governing body of the municipality  
21 constituting the taxing district in which the property is located may  
22 apply the refund, or such portion thereof as may be necessary,  
23 including any accrued interest, against the delinquency.

24 (2) In addition to the application of a refund against a delinquency  
25 as set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection, a refund from an appeal  
26 on the assessment of a property that was a constituent part of an  
27 industrial site or complex that is currently vacant or underutilized, and  
28 that is subject to any federal or State court order, or administrative  
29 action or order, for environmental remediation, shall be deposited by  
30 the taxing district with the Commissioner of Environmental Protection,  
31 to be used to ensure required site remediation. Once the industrial site  
32 has been remediated, any remaining refund amounts shall be returned  
33 by the commissioner to the taxpayer within 30 days after completion  
34 of the site remediation. Any monies not returned within 30 days shall  
35 be paid, with interest, from the date of completion of the site  
36 remediation, at a rate of 5% per annum. The provisions of this  
37 paragraph shall not apply to any property for which a remediation trust  
38 fund has been established pursuant to the provisions of section 25 of  
39 P.L.1993, c.139 (C.58:10B-3).

40 b. If the total amount of the refund is equal to or exceeds the total  
41 amount of the delinquency, the lien against the property for unpaid  
42 taxes shall be extinguished, and the balance, if any, remaining after the  
43 application of the refund against the delinquency shall be forwarded to  
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7 remaining shall remain a lien against the property.

8 (cf: P.L.2012, c.19, s.2)

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10 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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16 Permits municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by a  
taxpayer who wins an assessment appeal as a property tax credit.

**ASSEMBLY, No. 862**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**219th LEGISLATURE**

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PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2020 SESSION

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman NICHOLAS CHIARAVALLOTI**

**District 31 (Hudson)**

**Assemblyman ROBERT J. KARABINCHAK**

**District 18 (Middlesex)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Permits municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by a taxpayer who wins an assessment appeal as a property tax credit.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/5/2021)**

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ASSEMBLY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 862**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 9, 2021

The Assembly State and Local Government Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 862.

This bill would permit municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by a taxpayer who wins an assessment appeal as a property tax credit against property taxes due and payable on the parcel of real property immediately following the county board of taxation's decision, or the Tax Court judgment, as appropriate.

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This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2018-2019 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

# SENATE COMMUNITY AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

**ASSEMBLY, No. 862**

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: NOVEMBER 15, 2021

The Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 862 (1R).

This bill would permit municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by a taxpayer who wins an assessment appeal as a property tax credit against property taxes due and payable on the parcel of real property immediately following the county board of taxation's decision, or the Tax Court judgment, as appropriate.

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As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 926, which was also amended and reported by the committee on this date.

STATEMENT TO  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 862**

with Assembly Floor Amendments  
(Proposed by Assemblyman CHIARAVALLOTTI)

ADOPTED: JUNE 21, 2021

These amendments would require the amount of a property tax refund due and owing to a property taxpayer after a successful appeal, which is paid by the municipality as a credit against future property taxes due and payable, to include accumulated interest until fully returned to the taxpayer, and if it is not fully returned after three years, then it must be immediately refunded.

**SENATE, No. 926**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**219th LEGISLATURE**

INTRODUCED JANUARY 27, 2020

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator JOSEPH PENNACCHIO**

**District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator O'Scanlon**

**SYNOPSIS**

Permits municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by a taxpayer who wins an assessment appeal as a property tax credit.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/15/2021)**

S926 PENNACCHIO

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# SENATE COMMUNITY AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### **SENATE, No. 926**

with committee amendments

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: NOVEMBER 15, 2021

The Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 926.

As amended, this bill would permit municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by a taxpayer who wins an assessment appeal as a property tax credit against property taxes due and payable on the parcel of real property immediately following the county board of taxation's decision, or the Tax Court judgment, as appropriate.

This bill is intended to relieve municipalities from the pressure of paying property tax appeal refunds not later than 60 days after the date of determination of the county board of taxation or the tax court judgment, as the case may be, which is a relatively short period of time. Many municipal governments experience fiscal pressures due to increases in costs and revenue constraints. This bill would allow municipalities to better manage the payment of property tax refunds by providing refunds as a credit against property taxes due and payable in the current tax year, or succeeding tax years.

Additionally, this bill would require the amount of a property tax refund due and owing to a property taxpayer after a successful appeal, which is paid by the municipality as a credit against future property taxes due and payable, to include accumulated interest until fully returned to the taxpayer. Under this bill, if the property tax refund due and owing is not fully returned after three years, then the property tax refund must be immediately refunded.

As amended and reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 862 (1R), which was also reported by the committee on this date.

#### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments require that the amount of a property tax refund due and owing to a property taxpayer after a successful appeal, which is paid by the municipality as a credit against future property taxes due and payable, to include accumulated interest until fully returned to the taxpayer. If the property tax refund due and owing is not fully returned after three years, then the property tax refund must be immediately refunded. The committee amendments also make various technical changes to update the underlying statutory provisions in section 1 of the bill.



**ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 862**  
(First Reprint)

To the General Assembly:

Pursuant to Article V, Section I, Paragraph 14 of the New Jersey Constitution, I am herewith returning Assembly Bill No. 862 (First Reprint) with my recommendations for reconsideration.

Assembly Bill No. 862 (First Reprint) revises the law governing successful appeals of municipal property tax assessments. Under current law, a municipality must refund to a property taxpayer who successfully appeals their tax assessment the amount owed, plus interest, within 60 days of the final judgment in the case of a residential property taxpayer and a commercial property taxpayer owing up to \$100,000. For all other commercial property taxpayers, a municipality must provide a full refund in substantially equal installments within three years of the final judgment. This bill would permit a municipality to refund the amount owed, plus interest, in the form of a property tax credit against new property taxes that become due following the final judgment within three years of the final judgement for residential property taxpayers in all cases and for nonresidential property taxpayers when the amount owed exceeds the total amount of any outstanding delinquency. Any balance that is not refunded as a credit after three years would be refunded to the taxpayer at that point.

I commend the bill's sponsors for aiming to provide municipalities with more flexibility in how they distribute property tax refunds following a taxpayer's successful appeal of an assessment. The refunding mechanism created in the bill can serve as a useful tool to assist local governments in managing their annual budgets.

I am concerned, however, that allowing municipalities to repay residential property tax refunds as credits spread out over three years could harm residents who are expecting - and perhaps counting on - money to be returned quickly, after having endured a potentially lengthy appeal process. Put simply, residents who have incorrectly been assessed too much in property taxes deserve to have the overcharge refunded to them promptly, rather than having to wait up to three years to receive the money that is rightfully theirs. Even in the case of multifamily residential properties, the owner may pass the costs of not receiving an immediate refund on to rent-paying residents.

For these reasons, I am recommending revisions to Assembly Bill No. 862 (First Reprint) to give municipalities the option of providing tax credits in lieu of a refund, with immediate repayment of any remaining balance after three years, only to nonresidential property taxpayers. Reflecting the fact that tax refunds for nonresidential properties may often be substantially larger than tax refunds for residential properties, current law already provides municipalities with more flexibility for paying tax refunds owed to nonresidential property owners than to residential property owners. Allowing municipalities to provide tax refunds over three years for nonresidential properties as property tax credits, is thus a natural extension of current law that will accomplish the sponsors' principal goal of affording financial flexibility to municipalities, while avoiding the more significant disruption that could result from revising the current process for residential property taxpayers.

Therefore, I herewith return Assembly Bill No. 862 (First Reprint) and recommend that it be amended as follows:

Page 2, Section 1, Line 20:

After "(C.54:4-134)" delete "," and insert ". In the case of nonresidential real property, a municipality may refund the amount owed to the taxpayer"

Page 2, Section 1, Line 22:

After "judgment" insert ". A municipality may also,"

Page 2, Section 1, Lines 22-23:

Delete "; provided, however, that if" and insert ", refund the amount owed to the taxpayer as a credit, including any interest that accumulates until the excess is fully returned, against the balance of property taxes that become due and payable on the parcel of nonresidential real property immediately following the county board of taxation's decision or the Tax Court judgment, as appropriate, but if the excess has not been fully refunded to the taxpayer in connection with the nonresidential real property after three years, then the remaining excess shall be immediately refunded. If"

Page 2, Section 1, Line 23:

After "refund" insert "due on nonresidential real property, however,"

Page 2, Section 1, Line 26:

Delete "; except that a" and insert "."

Page 2, Section 1, Lines 27-34:

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Page 3, Section 2, Line 36:

After "that" insert ", in the case of nonresidential real property,"

Page 3, Section 2, Line 40:

After "of" insert "nonresidential

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Respectfully,

/s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Parimal Garg

Chief Counsel to the Governor

# Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

01/18/2022

**TRENTON** – Governor Murphy today signed the following bills:

**S-384/A-1964 (Weinberg, Singleton/Stanley, Munoz, McKeon, Sumter, Lampitt, Vainieri Huttle, Wimberly, Mosquera, Downey, Chiaravalloti)** – Expands training for judges, law enforcement officers and assistant county prosecutors concerning handling of domestic violence cases

**S-386/A-1763 (Weinberg, Singleton/Munoz, Vainieri Huttle, Downey, Mosquera, Lampitt, Benson)** - Establishes mandatory domestic violence training for municipal prosecutors

**S-396/A-4903 (Weinberg, Addiego/Johnson, Mukherji)** – Adjusts statute of limitations on damage claim for construction defect in common interest communities

**S-705/A-1077 (Ruiz, Cunningham/Speight, Vainieri Huttle, Downey)** – Requires DOH to develop and implement plan to improve access to perinatal mood and anxiety disorder screening

**SCS for S-844 and 2533/ACS for A-4635 (Pou, Greenstein/Zwicker, Lopez)** – Revises reporting requirements for charitable organizations and non-profit corporations

**S-867/A-2316 (Pou/Jimenez, Giblin, Johnson)** – Permits physical therapists to perform dry needling under certain circumstances

**S-896/A-2396 (Pou, Turner/Wimberly, Timberlake, Murphy)** – Expands Office of Public Defender representation of juveniles; repeals section 4 of P.L.1968, c.371

**S-969WGR/ACS for A-2687 (Ruiz, Turner/Mazzeo, Lampitt, Moen)** – Establishes loan redemption program for certain teachers to redeem loan amounts received under New Jersey College Loans to Assist State Students Loan Program through employment in certain schools; makes annual appropriation of \$1 million

**S-994/A-6248 (Sweeney, Singleton/Lopez)** – Requires State agencies and political subdivisions to make good faith effort to purchase five percent of goods and services from Central Nonprofit Agency

**SCS for S-1016/ACS for A-2070 (Smith, Bateman/Calabrese, Mukherji, Benson)** – Restricts use of neonicotinoid pesticides

**S-1020/AS for ACS for A-1184 and 4414 (Ruiz, Gopal/Zwicker, Conaway, Verrelli, Caputo)** – Requires School Report Card to include demographic breakdown of students who receive disciplinary actions; requires Commissioner of Education to establish Statewide database concerning certain disciplinary actions

**S-1559/A-1659 (Scutari, Diegnan/Quijano, Bramnick, Mukherji, Sumter, Downey, Dancer)** – “New Jersey Insurance Fair Conduct Act”

**S-1771/A-1489 (Madden, Turner/Moriarty, Mosquera, Vainieri Huttle)** – Expressly prohibits invasive examination of unconscious patient by health care practitioner without patient’s prior informed written consent

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

**SCS for S-2515/ACS for A-4676 (Smith, Greenstein/Quijano, Jasey, McKeon)** – Establishes postconsumer recycled content requirements for rigid plastic containers, glass containers, paper and plastic carryout bags, and plastic trash bags; prohibits sale of polystyrene loose fill packaging

**S-2723/A-2614 (Sweeney, Turner/Murphy, Benson, Timberlake)** – “21st Century Integrated Digital Experience Act”

**S-2830/A-5291 (Ruiz, Singleton/Quijano)** – Requires educator preparation program to report passing rates of students who complete certain tests and to disseminate information on test fee waiver programs, and permits collection of student fee for certain testing costs

**S-2835/A-5292 (Ruiz, Cunningham/Quijano, Lampitt, Jasey)** – Requires compilation of data and issuance of annual reports on New Jersey teacher workforce

**S-2921/A-5554 (Gopal, Greenstein/Houghtaling, Downey, Mukherji)** – Allows municipalities to designate outdoor areas upon which people may consume alcoholic beverages

**S-3009/A-4847 (Vitale, Gopal, Gill/Vainieri Huttle, Quijano, Verrelli)** – Authorizes expanded provision of harm reduction services to distribute sterile syringes and provide certain support services to persons who use drugs intravenously

**S-3081/A-5219 (Singleton/McKeon, Dunn)** – Repeals law concerning excess rates and charges for title insurance; makes agreement to use services of title or settlement service company subject to attorney review

**S-3164/A-4987 (Gopal, Singleton/Houghtaling, Vainieri Huttle, Giblin)** – Creates NJ Legislative Youth Council

**S-3265/A-5074 (Diegnan, Greenstein/DeAngelo, Dancer, Mukherji)** – Permits members of SPRS to purchase service credit for prior public employment with federal government or another state

**S-3342/A-5463 (Codey, Singleton/Jasey, Giblin, Timberlake)** – Directs NJT to erect statue in honor of A. Philip Randolph; appropriates \$90,000

**S-3465/A-4336 (Oroho, Sweeney/Houghtaling, Space)** – Directs Department of Agriculture to pay annual premiums to enrolled dairy farmers for certain coverage under the federal Dairy Margin Coverage Program; appropriates \$125,000

**S-3488wGR/A-5537 (Sweeney, Gopal, O'Scanlon/Burzichelli, Dancer, Spearman)** – 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

**S-3493/A-5458 (Vitale, Gill/Vainieri Huttle, Mukherji, McKnight)** – Permits expungement of possession or distribution of hypodermic syringe or needle offense in cases of previous expungement; repeals criminal offense of possession of syringe

**S-3539/A5409 (T. Kean, Gopal/Houghtaling)** – Directs DEP to establish grant program for local governments to support development of community gardens

**S-3594/A-5509 (Singleton, Scutari/Zwicker, Reynolds-Jackson, Verrelli)** – Provides that in personal

injury or wrongful death lawsuits, calculations of lost or impaired earnings capacity not be reduced because of race, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, or affectional or sexual orientation

**S-3672/A-6009 (Singleton, Turner, Moen, Johnson, McKnight)** – Permits exemption from civil service examination requirement for entry-level law enforcement officers, sheriff's officers, and State and county correctional police officers; permits hiring or appointment of such officers under certain conditions, and makes appropriation

**S-3673/A-6219 (Gopal, Greenstein/Burzichelli)** – Authorizes limited breweries and craft distilleries to sell at retail and offer for sampling purposes product bottled and stored off-site under certain circumstances

**S-3685/A-5576 (Ruiz, Codey/Jasey, Lampitt, Mukherji)** – Permits teacher and professional staff member who provides special services retired from TPAF to return to employment for up to two years without reenrollment in TPAF if employment commences during 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years

**S-3707/A-5673 (Vitale, Ruiz/Vainieri Huttle, Downey, Zwicker)** – Repeals statute criminalizing sexual penetration while infected with venereal disease or HIV under certain circumstances; requires that in prosecutions for endangering another by creating substantial risk of transmitting infectious disease, name of defendant and other person be kept confidential

**S-3764/A-3369 (Gopal, Weinberg/Johnson, Stanley, Karabinchak)** – Establishes Commission on Asian American Heritage in DOE

**S-3810/ACS for A-5862 (Sweeney, Addiego, Greenstein/Benson, Quijano)** – "Responsible Collective Negotiations Act"

**S-3968/A-5930 (Singleton, Beach/Sumter, Karabinchak)** – Increases purchasing threshold permitting Director of Division of Purchase and Property to delegate authority to agencies; increases bid advertising threshold on certain contracts by same scale

**S-3975/A-5963 (Greenstein, Oroho/Benson, Vainieri Huttle, DeAngelo)** – Establishes requirements to commence screening newborn infants for congenital cytomegalovirus infection; establishes public awareness campaign

**S-4004wGR/A-5950 (Weinberg, Greenstein/Sumter, Benson, Reynolds-Jackson)** – Establishes database of certain appointed positions and elected offices

**S-4020/A-5867 (Gopal, Cunningham/Chiaravalloti, Jasey, Carter)** – Expands bonding authority of New Jersey Educational Facilities Authority to permit financing for general funding needs at New Jersey's institutions of higher education

**S-4021/A-6100 (Gopal, Ruiz/Mukherji, Jasey, Timberlake, Stanley)** – Requires school districts to provide instruction on history and contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders as part of implementation of New Jersey Student Learning Standards in Social Studies

**S-4043/A-6005 (Cunningham/Jasey, Greenwald)** – Raises statutory threshold for certain public bidding, permits bidder disqualification due to prior negative experience, adds exemptions to public bidding requirement under "State College Contracts Law," and establishes process for cooperative pricing system

**S-4063/A-6220 (Sweeney/Giblin, Egan)** – Removes New Jersey Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission from appropriations act provision that limits compensation and health benefits; clarifies PERS and SHBP eligibility for members of commission

**S-4068/ACS for A-6110 and 6185 (Sarlo, Oroho/Benson, Mukherji, Bramnick)** – Revises elective pass-through entity business alternative income tax

**S-4074wGR/A-6000 (Ruiz, Beach/Verrelli, Lampitt, Carter)** – Allows alternative evaluation in place of basic skills testing requirements for certain teacher certification

**SCS for S-4102/A-6230 (Sweeney, Ruiz/Benson, Mejia, Zwicker)** – Establishes Direct Support Professional Career Development Program; appropriates \$1,000,000

**S-4128/A-6231 (Sweeney, Pou/Houghtaling, Conaway, Dancer)** – Requires that only fruits and vegetables grown and packaged in NJ may be labeled by food retailers as local to State

**S-4207/A-6119 (Sweeney, Beach/Mukherji, Egan, Pintor Marin)** – Concerns apprenticeship programs of public works contractors

**S-4210/A-6062 (Sweeney, Greenstein/Greenwald, McKnight, Mukherji)** – Requires EDA to establish loan program to assist certain businesses with funding to provide reasonable accommodations for employees with disabilities

**S-4211/A-6228 (Sweeney, Corrado/Benson, Speight, Zwicker)** – Establishes county college-based adult centers for transition for individuals with developmental disabilities; makes annual appropriation of \$4.5 million

**S-4218/A-6256 (Scutari/Reynolds-Jackson, Wimberly, Mukherji)** – Appropriates \$2 million to CRDA to support costs associated with hosting NAACP National Convention in Atlantic City

**S-4233/A-6229 (Scutari, Gopal/Mukherji, Jimenez)** – Limits fees charged to patients and authorized third parties for copies of medical and billing records

**S-4252/A-6182 (Madden/Murphy, Chaparro)** – Limits extension of mandatory retirement to 90 days from State Police Retirement System during emergencies

**A-259/S-2224 (DeAngelo, Mukherji, Benson/Gopal, Pennacchio)** – Provides civil service preference to military service members who did not serve in theater of operation but received campaign or expedition medal

**A-798/S-52 (Verrelli, Vainieri Huttel, Armato/Singer, Greenstein)** – Establishes local drug overdose fatality review teams

**A-802/S-1352 (Verrelli, Reynolds-Jackson, Murphy/Turner, Pou)** – Requires certain retailers to train employees on gift card fraud

**A-862wGR/S-962 (Chiaravalloti, Karabinchak/Pennacchio, Pou)** – Permits municipalities to refund excess property taxes paid by a taxpayer who wins an assessment appeal as a property tax credit

**A-953/S-4031 (Karabinchak, Houghtaling/Pou)** – Requires architects disclose insurance coverage

**ACS for A-998 and 2349/S-4312 (Moen, Downey, Houghtaling, Benson, Vainieri Huttel/Ruiz, Beach, Singleton)** – The “New Jersey Social Innovation Act”; establishes social innovation loan pilot program and study commission within EDA

**A-1121/S-1871 (Murphy, Dancer, Stanley/Lagana, Pennacchio)** – Upgrades certain crimes of misrepresenting oneself as member or veteran of US Armed Forces or organized militia

**A-1219wGR/S-1054 (Chaparro, McKnight/Stack)** – Requires owner notification of rabies testing protocol prior to testing of owner’s animal for rabies

**A-1229wGR/S-2161 (Schaer, Mosquera, Tucker, Lampitt, Vainieri Huttle, Quijano, Wimberly, Pintor Marin, Jasey/Turner, Singleton)** – Requires DCA to make information on homeless prevention programs and services available on its Internet website

**A-1293/S-3977 (Greenwald, Burzichelli, Mukherji/Greenstein, Gopal)** – Establishes advisory council for the brewery, cidery, meadery, and distillery industries in NJ and provides for funding through certain alcoholic beverage tax receipts

**A-1663/S-1842 (Quijano, Vainieri Huttle, Karabinchak/Cryan, Scutari)** – Establishes “New Jersey Nonprofit Security Grant Program”

**A-2186/S-1599 (Mukherji, Chaparro, McKnight/Codey, Pou)** – Establishes Statewide database of beds in shelters for the homeless

**A-2360/S-3285 (Chaparro, Karabinchak, Johnson/Greenstein, Stack)** – Requires electric public utility to charge residential rate for service used by residential customer for electric vehicle charging at charging stations within certain designated parking spaces

**A-2685wGR/S-4209 (Armato, Mazzeo, Mukherji/Stack)** – Concerns information on property condition disclosure statement

**A-2772/S-1040 (Downey, Houghtaling, Benson/Gopal)** – Authorizes certain Medicaid recipients residing on post-secondary school campus to participate remotely in meetings of non-medical nature regarding Medicaid benefits

**A-2877/S-1149 (Dancer, Vainieri Huttle, Reynolds-Jackson/Ruiz)** – Requires registration of certain vacant and abandoned properties with municipalities and provides enforcement tools related to maintenance of these properties

**A-3007/S-3127 (Lampitt, Dunn, Benson/Lagana, Gopal)** – Requires institutions of higher education to provide students with access to mental health care programs and services and to establish a hotline to provide information concerning the availability of those services

**A-3392/S-1219 (Reynolds-Jackson, Timberlake, Jasey/Turner, Beach)** – Requires student representative be appointed to each board of education of school district and board of trustees of charter school that includes grades nine through 12

**A-3804/S-1590 (Armato, Murphy, S. Kean/Beach, A.M. Bucco)** – Designates 9-1-1 operators or dispatchers as 9-1-1 first responder dispatchers

**A-3870/S-2807 (Karabinchak, Johnson, Mukherji/Greenstein, Pou)** – “Defense Against Porch Pirates Act”; amends theft statute

**A-3950wGR/S-3180 (Verrelli, Benson, Zwicker/Greenstein, Turner)** – Prohibits employer use of tracking device in vehicle operated by employee under certain circumstances

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

**A-4232/S-4231 (Houghtaling, Dancer, Wirths/Oroho, Smith)** – Creates program in Department of Agriculture for deer fencing on certain farmland



**A-4238/S-2561 (Chiaravalloti, Schaer, Benson/Gopal, Singer)** – Establishes minimum Medicaid reimbursement rate for adult medical day care services

**A-4241/S-2894 (Downey, Vainieri Huttle, Murphy/Pou)** – Requires DHS to conduct biennial survey of SNAP experience

**ACS for A-4253/S-3233 (Conaway, Pinkin, Jimenez/Cryan)** – Requires certain electronic medical programs to include demographic data entry feature; requires laboratories to record certain patients' demographic information; requires certain hospitals and laboratories to implement cultural competency training program

**A-4366/S-2801 (Taliaferro, Sumter, Mukherji/Pou, Greenstein)** – Requires Police Training Commission to contract with crisis intervention training center to provide mental health training to police officers and establish curriculum specific to persons experiencing economic crisis or substance use disorder

**A-4434wGR/S-2716 (Greenwald, Lampitt, Mukherji/Beach, Ruiz)** – Establishes Student Wellness Grant Program in DOE

**A-4478/S2759 (Vainieri Huttle, Speight, Schepisi, DeCroce/Vitale, Madden)** – Establishes additional requirements for DOH to assess sanctions and impose penalties on nursing homes; revises reporting requirements for nursing homes

**A-4569/S-3535 (Reynolds-Jackson, Benson, Karabinchak/Turner)** – Requires BPU, electric power suppliers, and gas suppliers to publish certain information related to filing of customer complaints

**ACS for A-4655/S-3595 (Reynolds-Jackson, Wimberly, Carter/Turner)** – Limits police presence at polling places and ballot drop boxes; prohibits electioneering within 100 feet of ballot drop box

**A-4771/S-2951 (Downey, Armato, Mukherji/Gopal, Singleton)** – Expands offenses eligible for expungement upon successful discharge from drug court

**A-4856/S-3094 (Lampitt, Benson, Caputo/Ruiz, Beach)** – Requires Internet websites and web services of school districts, charter schools, renaissance schools, and the Marie H. Katzenbach School for the Deaf to be accessible to persons with disabilities

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

**ACS for A-5075wGR/S-4001 (Burzichelli, Dancer, Johnson/Sweeney, A.M. Bucco)** – Removes Fire Museum and Fallen Firefighters Memorial from auspices of DEP and establishes museum as independent organization; makes \$200,000 supplemental appropriation

**A-5160/S-3324 (DeAngelo, Conaway, Zwicker/Smith, Bateman)** – Establishes minimum energy and water efficiency standards for certain products sold, offered for sale, or leased in the State

**A-5294/S-3418 (Speight, Vainieri Huttle, Verrelli/Gopal, Madden)** – Provides fast track hiring and advancement employment opportunities by State for persons with significant disabilities

**A-5296/S-3426 (Speight, Vainieri Huttle, McKnight/T. Kean, Schepisi)** – Provides for employment by State of certain persons with disabilities

**A-5322/S-3433 (Mosquera, Vainieri Huttle, DePhillips/Cruz-Perez, T. Kean)** – Provides for process to vacate and expunge certain arrests, charges, complaints, convictions, other dispositions, and DNA

records, associated with violations by certain human trafficking victims

**A-5336wGR/S-3441 (Benson, Freiman, Vainieri Huttie/Diegnan, Madden)** – Requires DHS to establish payment programs for purchase of transportation services from private sector and government transportation service providers

**A-5439/S-3760 (Caputo, Dancer, Murphy/Gopal, Beach)** – Changes deadline for New Jersey Racing Commission's annual report from end of calendar year to end of State fiscal year

**A-5694/S-3783 (Houghtaling, Downey, Dancer/Gopal, Madden)** – Permits dependents of military member to enroll in school district in advance of military member's relocation to district

**A-5814/S-3851 (Swain, Tully, Benson/Lagana, Diegnan)** – Creates Office of School Bus Safety in Department of Education; appropriates \$200,000

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

**A-5997/S-4084 (Coughlin, Lopez/Sweeney, O'Scanlon)** – Removes requirement for Legislature, DOE, free public libraries, and historical societies to purchase "Manual of the Legislature of New Jersey"

**A-6012/S-4076 (Moen, Murphy, Freiman/Sarlo, Gopal)** – Appropriates \$500,000 for USS New Jersey Commissioning Committee to support commissioning of boat and assigned personnel

**A-6020/S-4114 (Conaway, Jimenez, Vainieri Huttie/Codey)** – Establishes requirements for certain tobacco product retailers to stock and sell nicotine replacement therapy products

**A-6060/S-4272 (Tucker, Caputo, Mukherji/Cunningham)** – Makes supplemental appropriation of \$8 million to DHS to increase reimbursement for funeral, burial, and crematory services provided to certain beneficiaries of Work First New Jersey and Supplemental Security Income programs

**A-6073/S-4140 (Verrelli/Vitale)** – Temporarily waives certain basic life support services crewmember requirements

**A-6093/S-4201 (Stanley, Benson, Timberlake/Greenstein, Gopal)** – Mandates periodic cancer screening examinations for firefighters enrolled in SHBP

**A-6108wGR/S-4247 (DeAngelo, Egan, Houghtaling/Madden)** – Updates licenses offered by and certain licensure requirements from Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors

**A-6132/S-4235 (Schaer, Greenwald, Conaway/Singer, Gopal)** – Permits volunteer paramedics to operate within mobile intensive care units

**A-6133/S-4251 (Bramnick, Mukherji, Downey/Scutari)** – Allows certain persons not yet appointed as administrator of estate to pursue lawsuit for damages for wrongful death on behalf of deceased's survivors

**A-6150/S-4119 (DeAngelo, Karabinchak, Wirths/Oroho, Pou)** – Revises penalties for transfer of certain professional and occupational licenses

**A-6159/S-4236 (Coughlin, McKnight/Vitale, Ruiz)** – Revises and renames Office of Food Insecurity Advocate

**A-6162/S-4246 (Benson, Stanley/Gopal)** – Requires certain motor vehicle dealers to maintain certain

requirements for business premises

**A-6205/S-4270 (Coughlin, McKeon/Pou)** – Amends certain requirements concerning insurance holding companies

**A-6206wGR/S-4260 (Wimberly/Diegnan, Oroho)** – Codifies right of real estate broker-salespersons and salespersons to define relationship with broker as one between broker and independent contractor or employee and enforces current and previous written agreements addressing relationship

**A-6207/S-4222 (Greenwald, Lampitt, Benson/Sweeney)** – Eliminates requirement for DOE to set certain tuition rates for approved private schools for students with disabilities in certain cases

**A-6208/S-4151 (Mosquera, DeAngelo, Armato/Greenstein, Cruz-Perez)** – Appropriates \$60,940,361 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to State Agriculture Development Committee for farmland preservation purposes

**A-6209/S-4154 (Freiman, Spearman, Egan/Turner, Oroho)** – Appropriates \$18 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to State Agriculture Development Committee for county planning incentive grants for farmland preservation purposes

**A-6210/S-4150 (Taliaferro, Moriarty, Burzichelli/Cruz-Perez, Greenstein)** – Appropriates \$4.5 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to State Agriculture Development Committee for municipal planning incentive grants for farmland preservation purposes

**A-6211/S-4149 (Houghtaling, Reynolds-Jackson, Downey/Cruz-Perez, Greenstein)** – Appropriates \$440,240 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to State Agriculture Development Committee for grants to certain nonprofit organizations for farmland preservation purposes

**A-6212/S-4148 (Jimenez, Swain, Timberlake/Codey, Corrado)** – Appropriates \$54.5 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues for recreation and conservation purposes to DEP for State capital and park development projects

**A-6213/S-4155 (Kennedy, Carter, Tully/Bateman, Smith)** – Appropriates \$49.932 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects, and Green Acres Program administrative costs

**A-6214/S-4153 (Danielsen, Zwicker, Conaway/Greenstein, Smith)** – Appropriates \$80,539,578 from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues and various Green Acres funds to DEP for local government open space acquisition and park development projects

**A-6215/S-4152 (Stanley, Murphy, Jasey/Smith, Greenstein)** – Appropriates \$14,687,510 to DEP from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues for grants to certain nonprofit entities to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation purposes

**A-6246/S-4295 (Karabinchak/Sweeney)** – Concerns changes in control of hotels and disruptions of hotel services

**A-6257/S-4311 (McKnight/Sweeney, Singleton)** – Imposes surcharge on casino hotel occupancies to fund public safety services

**A-6262/S-4314 (Burzichelli, Reynolds-Jackson, Mukherji/Sweeney, Oroho, T. Kean)** – Permits PERS retiree to return to employment in NJ Legislature after retirement under certain circumstances

**A-6263/S-4315 (Burzichelli, Reynolds-Jackson, Mukherji/Sweeney, Oroho, T. Kean)** – Appropriates \$2 million to Legislative Services Commission

**Governor Murphy pocket vetoed the following bills:**

**S-73/A-4580 (Bateman, Sarlo/Zwicker, Thomson, McKnight)** – Establishes requirements for sale of cottage food products

**S-995/A-6172 (Sweeney, A.M. Bucco/Downey, McKnight)** – Requires DOLWD and DHS to conduct assessment of community rehabilitation programs and community businesses

**S-1934/A-1158 (Sweeney, Pou, Cryan/Freiman, Lopez, Murphy)** – Authorizes use of disability benefits for transportation provided by transportation network companies

**S-2679/A-1979 (Beach, Smith/Stanley, Lopez, Kennedy)** – Requires paint producers to implement or participate in paint stewardship program

**S-2768/A-4664 (Singleton, Ruiz/Reynolds-Jackson, Stanley, Sumter)** – Authorizes State Chief Diversity Officer to conduct disparity study concerning utilization of minority-owned and women-owned businesses in State procurement process

**S-3458/A-6245 (Lagana, Gopal/Coughlin, Jimenez, Mukherji)** – Revises out-of-network arbitration process

**S-3529/A-5442 (Addiego, Diegnan/DeAngelo, Dancer, Dunn)** – Clarifies that member of SPRS may receive accidental disability benefit under certain circumstances

**S-3715/A-5804 (Cryan/Quijano, Mukherji)** – Modifies certain definitions related to transient accommodation taxes and fees

**S-4189/A-6112 (Vitale, Cruz-Perez/Lopez)** – Permits PERS retiree to return to elective public office after retirement under certain circumstances

**A-1073/S-3432 (Speight, Pintor Marin, McKnight, Timberlake/Ruiz, O'Scanlon)** – Establishes requirements to screen certain people who are pregnant and who have given birth for preeclampsia

**A-1269/S-3490 (Greenwald, Giblin, Calabrese/Cruz-Perez, Beach)** – Eliminates one percent tax on purchasers of Class 4A commercial property transferred for consideration in excess of \$1 million

**A-4958/S-3740 (Tully, Armato, Zwicker/Lagana, Oroho)** – Provides temporary exemption under sales and use tax for winterizing certain small business operations

**A-5334/S-3442 (Lopez, Mazzeo, Stanley/Diegnan, T. Kean)** – Requires DOT, NJT, and DHS to study and implement transportation mobility and accessibility improvements for persons with autism and developmental disabilities

**A-5484/S-3817 (Dancer, Caputo, Houghtaling/Lagana)** – Requires New Jersey Racing Commission to adopt procedures to enforce internal controls; requires annual audit

**A-6033/S-4194 (Bramnick/Sweeney, T. Kean)** – Classifies golf caddies as independent contractors for purposes of State employment laws

**A-6157/S-4202 (Speight, Moen/Ruiz, Beach)** – Prohibits circumventing intergovernmental transfer process for law enforcement officers in certain circumstances

