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Governor Chris Christie Signs Bipartisan Pro-Israel Legislation

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Trenton, NJ - Governor Chris Christie signed into law today S-1923 (Beach, Weinberg/Vainieri Huttle, Schaer, Pinkin, C.A. Brown, Mukherji, Lampitt, Mazzeo, Lagana) to prohibit investment of state pension and annuity funds by the State in companies that boycott goods, products or businesses of Israel.

“Standing with Israel, for peace and democracy, requires more than just pledging military defense and support,” Governor Christie said. “It is in all of our best interests to invest in and partner with Israel, while opposing any attempt to wipe out Israel, economically or otherwise. I’m proud to take this action today and help set an example for other states and nations throughout the world to join New Jersey by enacting similar laws against the radical ‘BDS’ movement, as well as our earlier divestment from foreign companies with equity ties to Iran and Sudan.”

New Jersey joins the federal government, South Carolina, Illinois and New York in taking action against the “Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions” (“BDS”) movement, an attempt to weaken and overtake Israel by creating economic calamity.

Yesterday, Governor Christie joined 15 other governors and the mayor of Washington D.C. in signing the American Jewish Committee’s “Governors Against BDS” pledge, reaffirming “support for Israel as a vital U.S. ally, important economic partner and champion of freedom.”

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