

# Governor Chris Christie Signs Legislation Strengthening New Jersey Residents' Security

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## Takes Action on Pending Legislation

**Trenton, NJ** – Governor Chris Christie today signed a package of legislation designed to make New Jerseyans safer. The measures include requirements for schools to conduct yearly security training alongside first responders (A-3349/S-2438) and that existing and any new school architectural plans include certain security measures (A-3348/S-2439). Additionally, A-1946/S-1257 expands domestic violence statutes to include cyber-harassment.

"We must make every effort to ensure New Jersey citizens are safe and secure whether they are in their school buildings or online," said Governor Christie. "These new laws will require safety measures to be built into new school construction and all school personnel to be trained annually on safety and security. Additionally, I have signed a bill to address one of the fastest growing threats we face in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, cyber-harassment. This new law will help victims of domestic violence whose abusers choose to attack through the web and social media outlets."

Governor Chris Christie also took action on the following legislation:

### **BILL SIGNINGS:**

**S-384/A-3470 (Greenstein/Johnson)** - Requires correctional facilities to provide inmates with prescription medication that was prescribed for chronic conditions existing prior to incarceration

**S-743/ACS for A-2761 (Beach, Sarlo, Ruiz/Mazzeo, Zwicker, Jasey, Vainieri Huttie, Schaer, Jones, Eustace, Land, Gusciora, Andrzejczak, Downey, Houghtaling, Benson, Mukherji, McKeon, Lampitt)** - Directs Higher Education Student Assistance Authority to forgive certain student loans in the event of student borrower's death or total and permanent disability and grant deferment for temporary total disability

**S-1041/A-1449 (Weinberg, Gordon/Lampitt, Benson, Vainieri Huttie, Tucker, Wimberly, Downey)** - Requires DHS to develop timeline for use by individuals with developmental disabilities to gain benefit of State and federal programs; requires posting timeline on DHS, DCF, and DOE websites

**S-2024/A-3793 (Madden, Oroho/Eustace, Peterson, Conaway, Mukherji, Benson, McKnight)** - Clarifies that product approval from U.S. Food and Drug Administration is not required for drug manufacturer to file registration statement, and specifies timeframe by which DOH must review registration statements

**S-2337/A-3985 (Sacco, Allen/Jimenez, O'Scanlon, Mukherji, Benson, Peterson)** - Permits law enforcement agencies to buy firearms directly from manufacturers; clarifies permits and identification cards not required

**S-2338/A-3914 (Whelan, Stack/Mazzeo)** - Allows existing rural development areas zoned for industrial use under pinelands comprehensive management plan to be included as eligible areas under certain business incentive programs

**A-1878/S-2404 (Wimberly/Rice)** - Increases to under \$15,000 from under \$10,000 amount of permitted annual compensation paid to TPAF retiree reemployed as athletic coach by former school district within 180 days of

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**A-2519/S-1152 (DeAngelo, Holley, Mazzeo, Downey, McKnight/Greenstein, Beach)** - Directs Attorney General to develop plan to disseminate Amber and Silver Alert information through social media

**A-3662/S-2374 (Schaer, Caride, Vainieri Huttie, Mukherji, McKnight, Chiaravalloti, Quijano/Weinberg, Pou)** – "Rosa-Bonilla Family Act"; concerns development of carbon monoxide poisoning educational program for drivers

**A-3748/S-2115 (DeAngelo, Eustace, Mukherji, Holley, Benson, Beach/Cruz-Perez)** - Requires DMVA to create registry for organizations providing services to veterans

**AJR-23/SJR-30 (Andrzejczak, Land, Wimberly, Taliaferro/Van Drew)** - Designates third weekend in October each year as "Shuck, Sip, and Slurp Weekend" to promote NJ oysters, wine, and beer

**AJR-24/SJR-36 (Andrzejczak, Houghtaling/Van Drew, Connors)** - Declares aquaculture an important State economic driver and urges State to include aquaculture industry in its economic development plans

**AJR-25/SJR-14 (Land, Andrzejczak/Van Drew)** - Recognizes Delaware Bayshore as region of special significance in NJ

**AJR-98 (Space, Taliaferro)** - Designates June of each year as "Native Plant Appreciation Month"

#### **BILLS VETOED:**

**S-51/A-547 (Lesniak, Cunningham/Pinkin, Sumter, Vainieri Huttie, Gusciora, Muoio) – ABSOLUTE** - Restricts use of isolated confinement in correctional facilities

**S-92/A-2815 (Whelan/Mosquera, Jones, DeAngelo, Mazzeo, Johnson, Houghtaling) – CONDITIONAL** - Revises "Overseas Residents Absentee Voting Law" to mirror federal law; permits overseas voters to vote in any election; permits use of federal write-in absentee ballot to vote, register or request ballot for all elections

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