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Trenton, NJ - Today, the Governor's Office announced that the total number of bipartisan New Jersey mayors supporting Governor Chris Christie's Cap 2.5 constitutional amendment and Reform Agenda has exceeded 200. An updated list of the 201 mayors that have endorsed the Christie Reform Agenda can be found below.

Across New Jersey, mayors continue standing up to support Governor Christie's efforts to bring real property tax relief to New Jersey families. They know firsthand the impact these high taxes are having on communities, driving away jobs and hardworking families. Everyday these mayors are on the frontlines of the crisis, forced to deal with ballooning expenses, unfunded mandates, and cost-drivers which in many cases they have little control over.

Yesterday, the Governor's Office released a [web video](#) featuring Mayor Richard Gerbounka (Ind.-Linden) speaking about how the Christie Reform Agenda is the only way to stop the property tax crisis from driving away families and jobs.

"We need to control taxes. We cannot continue to tax and spend anymore. And one thing that I've learned in my 16 years in government is that if you give politicians money, they're going to spend it. And that's why I support Governor Christie's 2.5% proposal of a constitutional amendment to limit spending and taxes to only 2.5 %."

- Linden Mayor Richard Gerbounka

On May 10th, the Governor outlined a sweeping 33-bill reform package to solve New Jersey's property tax crisis and control spending at every level of government. The centerpiece of the plan is Cap 2.5, a constitutional amendment creating a 2.5 percent cap on property tax increases.

Legislative committee approval for the Cap 2.5 constitutional amendment is needed before the first week of July in order to meet the deadline for the bill to be moved to the floor and approved for placement on the ballot and consideration by the voters in November. Governor Christie is urging the Assembly and Senate leadership and legislators of both parties to work with him in putting this critical government reform before the voters for approval this November.

Property taxes have grown an astonishing 70% over the last ten years, resulting in an average annual property tax bill of \$7,281 on New Jersey families - the highest rate in the nation. Cap 2.5 will halt the astonishing growth in property taxes while the Christie Reform Agenda will give towns and school boards the tools needed to control spending to make Cap 2.5 both realistic and achievable.

Atlantic County

- Mayor Philip Guenther, Brigantine
- Mayor Carol Foster, Corbin City
- Mayor Joseph Kuehner, Egg Harbor City
- Mayor Joe Venezia, Estelle Manor
- Mayor Thomas Ballistreri, Folsom
- Mayor Keith Hartman, Galloway
- Mayor Roger Silva, Hamilton
- Mayor Stephen DiDonato, Hammonton
- Mayor Richard DePamphilis, Linwood City
- Mayor Michael Becker, Margate
- Mayor Gary Giberson, Port Republic
- Mayor John Glasser, Somers Point
- Mayor Theresa Kelly, Ventnor
- Mayor Amelia Messina, Weymouth_

Bergen County

- Mayor Vince Barra, Allendale
- Mayor Benedict Romeo, Cresskill
- Mayor Richard Mola, Elmwood Park
- Mayor Frank Huttle, Englewood
- Mayor Mark Sokdich, Fort Lee
- Mayor Maura DeNicola, Franklin Lakes
- Mayor John van Keuren, Glen Rock

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Mayor James Barsa, Norwood
Mayor Victor Polce, Old Tappan
Mayor Christopher Botta, Ramsey
Mayor David Pfund, Ridgewood
Mayor Margaret Watkins, River Edge
Mayor Frank Valenzuela, Rochelle Park
Mayor Nicholas Langella, Rockleigh
Mayor John Hipp, Rutherford
Mayor Samuel Raia, Saddle River
Mayor Kenneth Gabbert, Upper Saddle River
Mayor Russell Litchult, Waldwick
Mayor Joseph LaPaglia, Woodcliff Lake
Mayor Rudy Boonstra, Wyckoff

Burlington County

Mayor Jim Lynch, Bordentown City
Mayor Kate Fitzpatrick, Delanco
Mayor Randy Brown, Evesham
Mayor Arthur Puglia, Mansfield
Mayor Robert Martin, Medford
Mayor Paul Weiss, Medford Lakes
Mayor Daniel Roccatto, Moorestown
Mayor Dennis Roehr, New Hanover
Mayor Robert Martin, Riverton
Mayor James Young, Southampton

Camden County

Mayor Michael Blunt, Chesilhurst
Mayor Scott Alexander, Haddon Heights
Mayor Frank DeLucca, Lindenwold
Mayor John Gentless, Stratford
Mayor Sue Ann Metzner, Winslow

Cape May County

Mayor Martin Pagliughi, Avalon
Mayor Michael Beck, Lower
Mayor Len Desiderio, Sea Isle City
Mayor Carl Groon, Wildwood Crest
Mayor William Pikolycky, Woodbine_

Cumberland County

Mayor James Begley, Bridgeton
Mayor George Garrison, Commercial Township
Mayor Frank Spatola, Deerfield
Mayor Andrew Sarclette, Maurice River

Essex County

Mayor James Gasparini, Fairfield
Mayor Thomas McDermott, Millburn
Mayor Mel Levine, North Caldwell
Village President Douglas Newman, South Orange
Mayor Joseph Tempesta, West Caldwell

Gloucester County

Mayor Jeff Radio, Clayton
Mayor Phil Barbaro, Elk Township
Mayor Patrick Dougherty, Franklin
Mayor George Shivery, Greenwich
Mayor Louis Manzo, Harrison Township
Mayor Joseph Curcio, Newfield
Mayor James McCall, South Harrison
Mayor Thomas Capaldi, Wenonah

Hudson County

Mayor Raymond McDonough, Harrison
Mayor Dawn Zimmer, Hoboken

Hunterdon County

Mayor Mark Peck, Bloomsbury
Mayor Kevin Cimei, Clinton Township
Mayor Linda Jacukowicz, Franklin Township
Mayor Stanley Kovach, Glen Gardner
Mayor Edward Burdzy, Holland

Mercer County

Mayor Jack Ball, Ewing

Mayor Robert Patten, Hightstown Borough
Mayor Dave Fried, Robbinsville

Middlesex County

Mayor Wilda Diaz, Perth Amboy
Mayor Ray Eppinger, South River

Monmouth County

Mayor Frederick Rast, Atlantic Highlands
Mayor Kenneth Florek, Colts Neck
Mayor Thomas Reynolds, Englishtown
Mayor Mike Halfacre, Fair Haven
Mayor John Morgan, Farmingdale
Mayor Dorothy Avallone, Freehold Township
Mayor Anna Little, Highlands
Mayor Serena DiMaso, Esq., Holmdel
Mayor Bob Walsh, Howell Township
Mayor Suzanne Castelman, Little Silver
Mayor Andrew Lucas, Manalapan Township
Mayor Paul Buccellato, Matawan
Mayor Gerry Scharfenberger, Middletown Township
Mayor Thomas Amone, Neptune City
Mayor Michael Mahon, Oceanport Boro
Mayor John Ekdahl, Rumson
Mayor Maria Fernandes, Sea Bright
Mayor Mark Clemmensen, Sea Girt
Mayor Terel Cooperhouse, Shrewsbury
Mayor Michael Skudera, Tinton Falls
Mayor Paul Smith, Union Beach
Mayor Stanley Moslowski, Upper Freehold

Morris County

Mayor Cyril Wekilsky, Boonton Town
Mayor Joseph Heywang, Butler
Mayor Nelson Vaughan, Chatham Borough
Mayor Dennis Verbaro, Chester Borough
Mayor William Cogger, Chester Township
Mayor Philip "Ted" Husa, Denville
Mayor Scott Eveland, Florham Park
Mayor John Sheridan, Hanover Township
Mayor Marshall Bartlett, Harding
Mayor Russell Felter, Jefferson
Mayor Glenn Sisco, Kinnelon
Mayor David Runfeldt, Lincoln Park
Mayor Jerry Arneo, Long Hill
Mayor Mary-Anna Holden, Madison
Mayor Neil Henry, Mendham Borough
Mayor Richard Krieg, Mendham Township
Mayor James Sandham, Montville
Mayor H. Scott Rosenbush, Morris Township
Mayor David Scapicchio, Mt. Olive
Mayor Jay Alpert, Randolph
Mayor Louis Sceusi, Rockaway Township
Mayor Jim Rilee, Roxbury
Mayor Kenneth Short, Washington Township

Ocean County

Mayor Jeffrey Melchiondo, Barnegat
Mayor Kirk Larson, Barnegat Light Borough
Mayor William Curtis, Bay Head
Mayor Michael Battista, Beach Haven Borough
Mayor Ronald Jones, Beachwood Borough
Mayor Stephen Acropdis, Brick
Mayor Michael Reina, Jackson
Mayor Gary Quinn, Lacey
Mayor Steven Langert, Lakewood
Mayor Walter LaCicero, Lavallette
Mayor Ray Gormley, Little Egg Harbor
Mayor Joseph Mancini, Long Beach Township
Mayor Mike Fressola, Manchester
Mayor George Nebel, Mantoloking
Mayor Joe Lachawiec, Ocean Township
Mayor Paul Kennedy, Ocean Gate
Mayor Ronald Dancer, Plumsted
Mayor Martin Konkus, Point Pleasant
Mayor William Huelsenbeck, Ship Bottom
Mayor Leonard Connors, Surf City
Mayor Thomas Kelaher, Toms River

Mayor Lewis "Lee" Eggert, Tuckerton Borough

Passaic County

Mayor Richard Goldberg, Hawthorne
Mayor Michael DeFrancisci, Little Falls
Mayor Katie Cole, Pompton Lakes
Mayor Theodore Taukus, Ringwood
Mayor Pat Lepore, Woodland Park

Salem County

Mayor Ernest Tark, Mannington
Mayor William Miller, Oldmans
Mayor Linda DuBois, Pittsgrove
Mayor Jack Cimprich, Upper Pittsgrove

Somerset County

Mayor Scott Spitzer, Bernards Township
Mayor Carey Pilato, Bound Brook
Mayor Brian Levine, Franklin
Mayor Mark Caliguire, Montgomery
Mayor Edward Zimmerman, Rocky Hill
Mayor Brian Gallagher, Somerville
Mayor Victor Sordillo, Warren

Sussex County

Mayor John Morgan, Andover Borough
Mayor Paul Crowley, Franklin Borough
Mayor James McCracken, Fredon
Mayor Dan Conkling, Green Township
Mayor Paul Marino, Hamburg
Mayor Kenneth Kievit, Hardyston
Mayor Joe Barbagallo, Montague
Mayor George Harper, Sandyston
Mayor Scott Seelagy, Sparta
Mayor Christian Parrott, Sussex Borough
Mayor Clara Nuss, Wantage

Union County

Mayor Robert Woodruff, Berkeley Heights
Mayor Mark Smith, Cranford
Mayor Joseph Menza, Hillside
Mayor Kathi Fiamingo, Kenilworth
Mayor Richard Gerbounka, Linden
Mayor John Thoms, New Providence
Mayor Ziad Andrew Shehady, Springfield
Mayor Andrew Skibitsky, Westfield

Warren County

Mayor James Cote, Allamuchy
Mayor Richard Mach, Blairstown
Tanya Segal, Greenwich
Mayor Michael Lavery, Hackettstown
Mayor Brian Tipton, Harmony
Mayor Tim McDonough, Hope
Mayor John Fisher, Liberty
Mayor Doug Steinhardt, Lopatcong
Mayor Ted Tomaszewski, Mansfield Township
Mayor Harry Wyant, Phillipsburg
Mayor Samir Elbassiouny, Washington Township
Mayor Jeff Herb, White

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