

Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

01/8/2024

TRENTON – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

S-530/A-5164 (Ruiz, Turner/Coughlin, Quijano, McKnight, Reynolds-Jackson) - Requires certain school meal information be provided to public school students' parents and requires school districts to request that families apply for school meals under certain circumstances

S-553/A-4238 (Zwicker/Conaway, Atkins) - Adds technology transfer duties to New Jersey Commission on Science, Innovation and Technology

S-652/A-117 (Oroho, Pou/Space, Calabrese, Wirths) - Permits governing body of municipalities having population of 30,000 or less to serve as local board of health; validates certain actions

S-762/A-3786 (Pou, Cruz-Perez/Sumter, Reynolds-Jackson) - Concerns certification of tax collectors

S-765/A-3246 (Pou, Pennacchio/Lampitt, Schaar, Murphy) - Prohibits carrier from precluding dentist from billing covered person under certain circumstances

S-1211/A-1222 (Singleton, Gopal/Pintor Marin, Mukherji, Park) - Provides for civil actions against persons or entities profiting from commission of human trafficking offenses, or maintaining victims of such offenses

S-1228/A-4092 (Greenstein/Diegnan, Benson, Jaffer, Verrelli) - Allows certain airports to carry over certain grant money into future years

S-1892/A-4501 (Johnson, Schepisi/Park, Wimberly, Matsikoudis) - Authorizes certain boards of education to issue bonds to repair damages caused by natural disasters in certain circumstances

S-2057/A-1174 (Turner, Greenstein/Jasey, Benson, Quijano) - Requires certain documentation of needs of students with disabilities during school security drills and emergency situations and in school security plans; requires staff training on needs of students with disabilities in emergency planning

S-2716/A-4153 (Vitale, Turner/Carter, McKnight, Atkins) - Requires NJ FamilyCare to reimburse claims for covered services submitted by clinical social workers, professional counselors, and marriage and family therapists under certain circumstances

S-2789/A-3793 (Cruz-Perez, Johnson/Benson, Wimberly, Lopez) - Requires certain permit holders to complete practice driving hours to obtain probationary driver's license

S-3013/A-5062 (Scutari, Pou/Carter, Atkins, Stanfield) - Revises definition of women's business enterprise and minority business enterprise

S-3079/A-4977 (Diegnan, Lagana/Lampitt, Benson, Wimberly) - Establishes School Safety and Security Task Force.

S-3409/A-4785 (Pou, Oroho/McKeon, Flynn, Wimberly) - Updates certain insurance company investment provisions in accordance with Investments of Insurers Model Act

S-3490/A-5124 (Smith/St Stanley, Calabrese) - Amends certain requirements for installation of electric vehicle supply equipment and Make-Ready parking spaces

S-3604/A-5212 (Madden, Cruz-Perez/Murphy, Stanley) - Authorizes use of healthcare platforms providing discounted prices for payment of prescription and non-prescription drugs or devices and for telehealth and telemedicine services

S-3723/A-5365 (Smith/McKeon, Danielsen, Haider) – “Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Battery Management Act”

S-3916/A-5486 (Cruz-Perez, Turner/Sauickie, Freiman, Rooney) - Expands eligibility for wildlife fencing programs to farmers leasing farmland; clarifies eligibility and provides for uniform funding levels for grant recipients

S-3969/A-5658 (Gopal/Freiman, Murphy) - Allows for credit against contract cost for primary care services managed by health care provider for public employees and their dependents; allows referrals to other providers that have contractual relationship with such health care provider

S-4081/A-5891 (Beach, Diegnan/Atkins, Carter) - Allows board of county commissioners to hold annual meeting at certain additional locations other than Superior Court

A-111/S-3201 (Space, Wirths, McCarthy Patrick/Oroho, Durr) - Provides that farm, farmstand, or other agricultural operation selling firewood obtained from property other than seller's shall not be considered lumber yard; prohibits sale of untreated firewood from outside of State

A-649/S-587 (McClellan, McKnight/Testa) - Expands purposes for which civil asset forfeiture funds may be used by law enforcement agency

A-831/S-461 (Jimenez, Rooney, Timberlake/Sacco, Greenstein) - Provides for reciprocity of certain out-of-State EMT certification; establishes criminal history record background check process

A-1475/S-1809 (Lopez, Speight, Haider/Ruiz, Cunningham) - Requires court to consider information concerning coercive control in domestic violence proceedings

A-1507/S-1503 (McKnight, Carter, Speight/Gopal, Oroho) - Permits chair or booth rentals for the purpose of providing cosmetology and hairstyling services or ancillary services

A-1570/S-2216 (Moen/Madden, Singleton) - Authorizes issuance of special license plates for alumni of four-year public institutions of higher education

A-1581/S-3880 (Moen, Benson, Conaway/Cruz-Perez, Turner) - Requires MVC to provide customer service telephone number at motor vehicle inspection facilities

A-1704/S-1000 (Speight, Pintor Marin, McKnight/Ruiz, Gopal) - Requires domestic violence orders to be issued in other languages in addition to English under certain circumstances

ACS for A-1707/S-3700 (Speight, McKnight, Karabinchak/Burgess, Ruiz) - Establishes presumption that VCCO will order payment to victim of crime

A-2040/S-540 (Benson, McKnight/Ruiz, Pou) - Requires Commissioner of Human Services to request authorization for SNAP benefits to be used to pay delivery charges for online grocery purchases

A-2138/SCS for S-1890 (Moriarty, Mukherji, McKnight/Johnson, Singer) - Updates regulation of home improvement and home elevation contractors and contractors' businesses

A-2351/S-2991 (Mukherji, Flynn, Murphy/Singleton) - Permits court to effectuate equitable distribution when complaint for divorce or dissolution of civil union has been filed and either party has died prior to final judgment; provides that surviving party would not receive intestate or elective share

A-3093/S-1516 (Stanley, Jaffer, Murphy/Greenstein, Gopal) - Authorizes court to include in domestic violence restraining orders a provision making the order applicable to a pregnant victim's child upon birth of the child

A-3737/S-3393 (Speight, Swain, McKnight/Ruiz, O'Scanlon) - Establishes menstrual health public awareness campaign

A-4125/S-2712 (Haider, Swain, Stanley/Singleton, Greenstein) - Prohibits sale, manufacture, distribution, and use of firefighting foam containing intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances; requires DEP to establish collection and disposal program; appropriates \$250,000

A-4614/S-3547 (Greenwald, Jasey, Carter, Lampitt/Pou, Vitale) - Modifies Nursing Faculty Loan Redemption Program

A-4729/S-3279 (Sauickie, Freiman, Clifton/Stanfield, Cruz-Perez) - Revises method for appraisals of farmland to be acquired for farmland preservation purposes

A-4757/S-3263 (Jimenez, Tucker, Atkins/Burgess, Turner) - Requires DCA to conduct surveys and report data related to homelessness in administering the Rental Assistance Navigation Program

A-4913/S-3133 (Conaway, Stanley, Wimberly/Johnson, Scutari) - Requires carriers to offer health care providers more than one method of payment for reimbursement

A-5036/S-3551 (Tully, Swain, Karabinchak, Lagana/A.M. Bucco) - Requires "Electronic Permit Processing Review System" in DCA to enable applicant to submit electronic signature and certain other submission materials for permit application review

A-5208/S-4082 (Coughlin, Munoz, Wimberly/Scutari, A.M. Bucco) - Extends provisions of P.L.2021, c.498 in certain circumstances

A-5281/S-2341 (Chaparro, Jimenez, Stanley/Johnson) - Eliminates position of constable; removes statutory references to constable; repeals various parts of statutory law; implements recommendation of SCI report concerning elimination of constables

A-5417/S-3890 (Lampitt, Jasey, Swain/Ruiz, Burgess) - Prohibits limiting number of county college credits that may be applied towards educator preparation program and teacher certification requirements

A-5501/SCS for S-3895 (Jasey/Zwicker, Sarlo, Ruiz) - Adjusts bid threshold amounts for certain public research universities; permits certain contracts for school districts, municipalities, and counties to be awarded by qualified purchasing agent

A-5648/S-3933 (Barranco, Rooney/A.M. Bucco) - Authorizes State Treasurer to sell as surplus property certain land and improvements in Township of Morris in Morris County

A-5813/S-3392 (Wimberly, Sumter/Pou) - Exempts electricity sold to certain recovered materials manufacturing facilities from renewable energy portfolio standards

AJR-230/SJR-129 (Karabinchak, Schaer, Freiman/Diegnan, Beach, A.M. Bucco) - Recognizes 75th anniversary

Governor Murphy conditionally vetoed the following bills:

S-539/A-2140 (Ruiz, Pou/Reynolds-Jackson, Wimberly, Mosquera) - CONDITIONAL - Permits online purchase of eligible foods using WIC funds and use of WIC funds for grocery delivery charges

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S-1680/A-2257 (Pou, Ruiz/Murphy, Quijano, Wimberly) – CONDITIONAL - Designates each community college in State as provider of allowable services under SNAP employment and training program

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S-2535/A-4048 (Polistina, Pou/Benson, McKnight, Reynolds-Jackson, Carter) – CONDITIONAL - Requires health benefits coverage of hearing aids and cochlear implants for insureds aged 21 or younger

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SCS for S-3632 and 3649/ACS for A-1948 (Johnson, Cryan/Haider, Conaway, Quijano) – CONDITIONAL - Requires labeling of non-flushable disposable wipes

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A-2146/S-855 (Reynolds-Jackson, Wimberly, Sumter/Singleton, Beach) - CONDITIONAL - Creates State business assistance program to establish contracting agency procurement goals for socially and economically disadvantaged business enterprises

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A-4033/S-2657 (Coughlin, Wimberly/Sarlo, Ruiz) – CONDITIONAL - Extends deadline for completion of school district's annual audit

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ACS for A-4821 and 4823/S-3283 (Karabinchak, Conaway, Schaer/Greenstein, Zwicker) – CONDITIONAL - Directs DEP to take certain actions concerning identification and testing of microplastics in drinking water, and requires DEP and BPU to study and promote use of microplastics removal technologies

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A-5416/S-3883 (Wimberly, Giblin, Haider/Greenstein, Turner) – CONDITIONAL - Requires State Board of Education to authorize alternate route to expedite teacher certification of persons employed as paraprofessionals in school districts

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A-5610/S-3954 (Greenwald, Spearman, Chaparro/Beach, A.M. Bucco) – CONDITIONAL - Revises penalties for possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by underage persons

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Governor Murphy absolute vetoed the following bills:

ACS for A-3677 and 2807/SS for S-2186 (Stanley, Verrelli, Jaffer, Calabrese/Greenstein, Smith) – ABSOLUTE - Prohibits sale, distribution, import, export or propagation of certain invasive species without permit from Department of Agriculture; establishes NJ Invasive Species Council

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A-5283/S-3939 (Tully, Greenwald, Mosquera/Lagana, Gopal) – ABSOLUTE - Requires calculation of national average time needed to approve applications for initial credential in profession or occupation and use of average time as standard in New Jersey

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