Frank Berardo • Borough of Cliffside Park

Generated by GovNetNJ.com • Date: 03/26/2025 02:17p • © 2025 Government News Network

BCTCTA Meeting March 27, 2025 (2024-2025)

Bill: **A941**
Sponsors: Freiman (D16); Tully (D38); Marenco (D33) +11
Summary: Makes total property tax exemption for 100% disabled veterans retroactive to effective date of determination of total disability; requires State to reimburse municipalities for reimbursement of property taxes paid to veteran.
Subjects: Human Services-Disabled; Taxation-Property Tax; Veterans And Military
Related: 2024:S313; 2022:A3928; 2022:S131; 2020:A255; 2020:S220; 2018:A2472; 2018:S1406; 2016:A2772; 2016:S2281; 2014:A3255; 2012:A2345; 2010:A978; 2008:A3398; 2006:A1729; 2006:S770; 2004:A1835; 2004:S1023; 2002:A3989; 2002:S2445
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 03/20/2025 — Assembly Appropriations Committee
History: 01/09/2024 — Introduced and referred to Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee.
02/13/2025 — Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
03/20/2025 — Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Bill: **A1672**
Sponsors: Lampitt (D6); Karabinchak (D18); Hutchison (D4); Beach (D6); Mukherji (D32) +9
Summary: Makes disabled persons receiving disability payments pursuant to federal Railroad Retirement Act eligible to receive homestead property tax reimbursement.
Subjects: Human Services-Disabled; Taxation-Property Tax
Related: 2024:S1285; 2022:A5463; 2022:S3819
Progress: Pamphlet Law
Status: 03/06/2025 — Bill or Resolution Signed by the Governor
History: 01/09/2024 — Introduced and referred to Assembly Housing Committee.
05/13/2024 — Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
06/24/2024 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
06/28/2024 — Passed in Assembly 77-0-0.
09/19/2024 — Received in Senate and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
10/24/2024 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
12/09/2024 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
01/14/2025 — Substituted for S-1285. Passed in Senate and sent to Governor 35-0.
03/06/2025 — Signed by the Governor P.L.2025, c.24.

Bill: **A4436**
Sponsors: Karabinchak (D18) +1
Summary: Requires local unit to accept electronic payment of construction code fees.
Subjects: Housing-Construction Codes
Related: 2024:S3323
Progress: 2nd House: 2nd Reading
Status: 03/17/2025 — 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 05/20/2024 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
06/06/2024 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
09/26/2024 — Passed in Assembly 75-1-0.
09/30/2024 — Received in Senate and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.
03/17/2025 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

Bill: **A5019**
Sponsors: Park (D37)
Summary: Revises definition of "contracting unit" for government cooperative purchasing agreements.
Subjects: State Government
Related: 2024:S3811
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 11/14/2024 — Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 11/14/2024 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Bill: **A5042**
Sponsors: Lopez (D19); Calabrese (D36); Sampson (D31) +16
Summary: Requires public entities purchase five percent of goods and services from Central Nonprofit Agency; requires Division of Purchase and Property establish training protocols for all purchasing agents; grants Central Nonprofit Agency right of first refusal.
Subjects: Charities And Non Profit Organizations; State Government
Related: 2024:S4040
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 11/14/2024 — Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 11/14/2024 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Bill: **A5160**
Sponsors: Reynolds-Jackson (D15); Verrelli (D15); Carter (D22) +20
Summary: Provides PERS members and certain retirees same benefits provided to members enrolled in retirement system before July 1, 2007.
Subjects: Pensions-Public Employees
Related: 2024:S3997
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/14/2025 — Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/14/2025 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Bill: **A5175**
Sponsors: Danielsen (D17); Sauickie (R12); Clifton (R12) +46
Summary: Reinstates automatic COLAs for retirement benefits of certain PFRS members.
Subjects: Public Safety-Firefighters; Public Safety-Police
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/14/2025 — Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/14/2025 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Bill: **A5240**
Sponsors: Egan (D17)
Summary: Concerns local unit budget processes and related operations.
Subjects: Local Budget And Finance; Local Government-Municipalities
Related: 2024:S3941
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/27/2025 — Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 01/27/2025 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Bill: **A5343 Aca (1R)**
Sponsors: Atkins (D20); McCann Stamato (D31)
Summary: Authorizes public bodies to continue using newspapers for required public notices and legal advertisements until certain specified date regardless of format; requires submission of certain subscription data.
Subjects: Communications; Local Government
Related: 2024:S4136
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 02/27/2025 — Substituted by another bill
History: 02/13/2025 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.
02/20/2025 — Transferred to Assembly Appropriations Committee. Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Assembly.
02/27/2025 — Substituted by S-4136 (1R).

Bill: **A5373**
Sponsors: Bailey (D3); Venezia (D34)
Summary: Permits municipalities to acquire real property that is abandoned, vacant, or subject to unpaid taxes.
Subjects: Local Government-Municipalities; Property
Related: 2024:S4222
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/27/2025 — Assembly Housing Committee
History: 02/27/2025 — Introduced and referred to Assembly Housing Committee.

Bill: **ACR155**
Sponsors: Ramirez (D32)
Summary: Proposes constitutional amendment to authorize temporary property tax exemption for value of certain homestead improvements.
Subjects: Constitutional Amendments; Taxation-Property Tax
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/20/2025 — Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 02/20/2025 — Introduced and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Bill: **S1285**
Sponsors: Beach (D6); Mukherji (D32) +4
Summary: Makes disabled persons receiving disability payments pursuant to federal Railroad Retirement Act eligible to receive homestead property tax reimbursement.
Subjects: Human Services-Disabled; Taxation-Property Tax
Related: 2024:A1672; 2022:A5463; 2022:S3819
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 01/14/2025 — Substituted by another bill
History: 01/09/2024 — Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
10/24/2024 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
12/09/2024 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.
01/14/2025 — Substituted by A-1672.

Bill: **S3323**
Sponsors: Henry (R12)
Summary: Requires local unit to accept electronic payment of construction code fees.
Subjects: Housing-Construction Codes
Related: 2024:A4436
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 03/17/2025 — Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 06/03/2024 — Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.
03/17/2025 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Bill: **S3787 ScaSaSa (3R)**
Sponsors: Scutari (D22); Ruiz (D29)
Summary: Requires municipal tax collectors who obtain payments in lieu of taxes under "Long Term Tax Exemption Law" to transmit county portion directly to county.
Subjects: Local Government-Municipalities
Progress: 2nd House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/30/2025 — Assembly State and Local Government Committee
History: 10/10/2024 — Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.
12/05/2024 — Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.
12/19/2024 — Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate by voice vote (Ruiz).
01/14/2025 — Amended on Senate floor, 2nd reading in Senate by voice vote (Ruiz).
01/30/2025 — Passed in Senate 37-0. Received in Assembly and referred to Assembly State and Local Government Committee.

Bill: **S3811**
Sponsors: Beach (D6)
Summary: Revises definition of "contracting unit" for government cooperative purchasing agreements.
Subjects: State Government
Related: 2024:A5019
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 12/16/2024 — 2nd reading in the Senate
History: 10/21/2024 — Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.
12/16/2024 — Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate.

Bill: **S3849**
Sponsors: Burgess (D28) +1

Summary: Increases certain local public contract bid threshold.
Subjects: Public Contracts-State
Related: 2024:A5328
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 10/28/2024 — Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee
History: 10/28/2024 — Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.

Bill: **S3941**
Sponsors: Gopal (D11)
Summary: Concerns local unit budget processes and related operations.
Subjects: Local Budget And Finance; Local Government-Municipalities
Related: 2024:A5240
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 12/09/2024 — Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee
History: 12/09/2024 — Introduced and referred to Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee.

Bill: **S3997**
Sponsors: Greenstein (D14); Turner (D15) +3
Summary: Provides PERS members and certain retirees same benefits provided to members enrolled in retirement system before July 1, 2007.
Subjects: Pensions-Public Employees
Related: 2024:A5160
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/14/2025 — Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee
History: 01/14/2025 — Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Bill: **S4040**
Sponsors: Singleton (D7); McKnight (D31) +7
Summary: Requires public entities purchase five percent of goods and services from Central Nonprofit Agency; requires Division of Purchase and Property establish training protocols for all purchasing agents; grants Central Nonprofit Agency right of first refusal.
Subjects: Charities And Non Profit Organizations; State Government
Related: 2024:A5042
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 01/14/2025 — Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee
History: 01/14/2025 — Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Bill: **S4111**
Sponsors: Zwicker (D16)
Summary: Establishes alternate calculation of retirement benefits for members of TPAF and PERS.
Subjects: Pensions-Public Employees; Pensions-Teachers
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/03/2025 — Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee
History: 02/03/2025 — Introduced and referred to Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee.

Bill: **S4136 Sca (1R)**
Sponsors: Sarlo (D36); Bucco (R25); Atkins (D20); McCann Stamato (D31)
Summary: Authorizes public bodies to continue using newspapers for required public notices and legal advertisements until certain specified date regardless of format; requires submission of certain subscription and other data.
Subjects: Communications; Local Government
Related: 2024:A5343
Progress: Pamphlet Law
Status: 02/28/2025 — Bill or Resolution Signed by the Governor
History: 02/13/2025 — Introduced and referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
02/20/2025 — Reported out of committee with committee amendments, 2nd reading in Senate.
02/25/2025 — Passed in Senate 37-0. Received in Assembly w/o committee reference, 2nd reading in Assembly.
02/27/2025 — Substituted for A-5343 (1R). Passed in Assembly and sent to Governor 64-12-0.
02/28/2025 — Signed by the Governor P.L.2025, c.22.

Bill: **S4223**
Sponsors: Lagana (D38); Mukherji (D32) +2
Summary: Provides health care benefits to disabled members of TPAF and PERS.
Subjects: Human Services-Disabled; Insurance-Health Insurance; Pensions-Teachers; Public Employees-Benefits
Related: 2024:A5118
Progress: 1st House: 2nd Reading
Status: 03/17/2025 — Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee
History: 03/03/2025 — Introduced and referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
03/17/2025 — Transferred to Senate Education Committee. Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.