

Legislative Action between February 11, 2014 and March 15, 2014

Bill	Description	Sponsors	Action Date	Status	Law	Index
S1364 I1.PDF	Concerns time frames for establishing or enforcing property rights related to adverse possession.	Van Drew, J.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Judiciary C.		adverse possession time frame
S1585 I1.PDF	Establishes guidelines for creditworthiness determinations concerning affordable housing programs.	Turner, S.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		affordable housing creditworthiness
A2912 I1.PDF	Establishes additional county recording fees to support "New Jersey Affordable Housing Trust Fund."	Garcia, C. Vainieri Huttie, V.	3/13/2014	Intro. Ref. Housing & Community Development C.		affordable housing trust fund county fees
A2738 I1.PDF	Clarifies law concerning the advertising and promoting of NJ farm products.	Fiocchi, S.	2/24/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		agriculture advertising
A2903 I1.PDF	Establishes licensing program in Department of Agriculture for farmed deer and other cervids.	Van Drew, J. Andrzejczak, B.	3/13/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		agriculture deer
A2765 I1.PDF	Provides that farm, farm stand, or other agricultural operation selling firewood obtained from property other than seller's shall not be considered a lumber yard.	Space, P. McHose, A.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		agriculture firewood
A2719 I1.PDF	Provides for industrial hemp farming.	Gusciora, R.	2/24/2014	Intro. Ref. Commerce & Economic Development C.		agriculture hemp farming

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A2875 I1.PDF	Clarifies law regarding local public contract specifications and leases of public land for agricultural or horticultural use.	Singleton, T. Conaway, H.	3/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		agriculture leasing public land
A2839 I1.PDF	Authorizes State Agricultural Development Committee to permit operation of certain microenterprises on certain preserved farms; designated as "New Jersey Rural Microenterprise Act."	Burzichelli, J. Pinkin, N.	3/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		agriculture microenterprise
S1659 I1.PDF A2874 I1.PDF	Provides counties and municipalities with additional discretion when leasing public land for agricultural or horticultural use.	Addiego, D.	3/17/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		agriculture
		Brown, C. Rodriguez-Gregg, M.	3/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		public land lease
S1328 I1.PDF	Extends Right to Farm Act protections to commercial beekeepers, with some restrictions.	Van Drew, J. Oroho, S.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		agriculture right-to-farm beekeepers
A2736 I1.PDF	Provides corporation business tax and gross income tax credits for certain employers engaged in farming operations.	Fiocchi, S.	2/24/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		agriculture tax credits
A2867 I1.PDF	Provides procedures for crediting certain dwellings used by agricultural workers in determination of municipality's fair share housing obligation.	McHose, A. Space, P.	3/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Housing & Community Development C.		COAH agricultural housing

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A2866_I1.PDF	Provides municipality with affordable housing credit toward its municipal fair share housing obligation for funds transferred to the New Jersey Affordable Housing Trust Fund pursuant to P.L.2008, c.46.	McHose, A. Space, P.	3/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Housing & Community Development C.		COAH trust fund credit
A2675_I1.PDF	Requires green building standards for affordable housing construction.	McKeon, J.	2/20/2014	Intro. Ref. Housing & Community Development C.		COAH/Housing green building
A1471_I1.PDF	Permits alternate members of county planning boards to vote in place of any absent public member.	Diegnan, P.	3/10/2014	Rep. 2nd Reading		county planning boards voting
S1582_I1.PDF	Exempts sales of county property from certain requirements under certain circumstances.	Singer, R.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		county property sales
S1551_I1.PDF	"Economic Opportunity Act of 2014, Part 3."	Lesniak, R.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		economic development
S928_I1.PDF A2716_I1.PDF	"Economic Opportunity Act of 2014, Part 1"	Lesniak, J. Pou, N. Cryan, J.	1/30/2014 2/24/2014	Ref. Budget & Appropriations C. Intro. Ref. Commerce & Economic Development C.		economic development
S1490_I1.PDF	Provides corporation business tax and gross income tax credits for qualified investment in certain biotechnology businesses.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		economic development biotech tax credits

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S1485 I1.PDF	Directs New Jersey Economic Development Authority and Secretary of Higher Education to promote the establishment of higher education and business partnerships.	Cunningham, S Codey, R.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		economic development education
A2728 I1.PDF	Extends deadline for developer to submit temporary certificate of occupancy for an Economic Redevelopment and Growth Grant Program qualified residential project.	Pintor, M. Johnson, G.	2/24/2014	Intro. Ref. Commerce & Economic Development C.		economic development ERGGP
S1257 I1.PDF	Establishes innovation zone program to stimulate technology industry clusters around New Jersey's research universities, colleges or research hospitals.	Turner, S.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		economic development innovation zone program
S1453 I1.PDF A1480 I1.PDF	Provides grants to eligible businesses equal to 5 percent of annual base salary of new employees hired under employment grant component of Invest in New Jersey Business Grant Program.	Greenstein, L. DeAngelo, W. Benson, D.	2/27/2014 1/16/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C. Intro. Ref. Economic Development C.		economic development Invest in NJ Grant
S1488 I1.PDF	Provides corporation business tax incentives for life sciences research.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		economic development life sciences tax credits
A2776 I1.PDF	Establishes "County Tourism Incentive Grant Fund" within Department of Treasury to provide funding for grants to counties to support tourism advertising and promotion.	Fiocchi, S.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Tourism & Gaming C.		economic development tourism

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S1333_I1.PDF	Requires municipalities to submit economic growth plans to DCA for approval of continued participation in urban enterprise zone program; allow zone funds to pay for storm related recovery costs for five years.	Van Drew, J.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		economic development UEZ
S1359_I1.PDF	Concerns UEZ program funding to qualifying municipalities.	Van Drew, J.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		economic development UEZ
S1282_I1.PDF	Exempts sale of energy and utility service to manufacturing facilities from payment of sales and use tax.	Rice, R.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		economic growth manufacturing tax exemption: energy
S1466_I1.PDF	Restricts campaign contributions by certain individuals, businesses or other organizations that purchase or acquire property involved in eminent domain proceedings.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. State Gov. Wagering, Tourism & His. Pres. C.		eminent domain campaign contributions
S1293_I1.PDF	Places temporary moratorium on use of eminent domain; creates Eminent Domain Study Commission to examine its use Statewide.	Allen, D.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		eminent domain moratorium
S1539_I1.PDF	Revises procedures for the use of eminent domain and compensation for loss of business in municipal redevelopment programs.	Allen, D.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		eminent domain redevelopment
S1407_I1.PDF	Expands programs in BPU to include low-interest loans and grants to municipalities for energy efficient programs and innovative energy technologies.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		energy BPU programs

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A2751 I1.PDF	Authorizes local governments to license, sell in fee simple or easement, public roads to connect non-contiguous solar, wind, combined heat/power, or biomass generation facility with end-use customer; requires public utility to provide for connection.	Wilson, G.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		energy public road connections renewable
A2595 I1.PDF	Permits electric public utilities, electric power suppliers, and basic generation service providers to enter into certain agreements with building owners for use of solar energy systems for such buildings.	McKeon, J.	2/20/2014	Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		energy public utilities/solar
S1475 I1.PDF A1770 I1.PDF	Increases renewable energy and energy efficiency requirements under "Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act."	Greenstein, L. McKeon, J. Benson, D.	2/27/2014 1/16/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C. Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		energy renewable
S944 I1.PDF A2385 I1.PDF	Authorizes those municipalities and a rural electric cooperative that currently provide electric service at retail to establish a municipal shared services energy authority.	Smith, B. Codey, R. Chivukula, U.	1/27/2014 2/20/2014	Rep. 2nd Reading, Ref. Budget & Appropriations C. Rep. 2nd Reading		energy shared services
S1413 I1.PDF A2531 I1.PDF	Requires BPU financial incentives for photovoltaic equipment for residences that are Energy Star compliant receive preferred treatment.	Smith, B. Bateman, C. McKeon, J.	2/27/2014 2/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C. Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		energy solar
A2589 I1.PDF	Establishes "Solar Equipment Purchase and Installation Assistance Program" in NJ EDA.	DeAngelo, W.	2/20/2014	Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		energy solar purchase assistance

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S1796 I1.PDF A2586 I1.PDF	Establishes "Energy Infrastructure Study Commission."	Greenstein, L.		3/17/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		energy
		DeAngelo, W.		2/20/2014	Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		study commission
S1511 I1.PDF A2519 I1.PDF	Establishes the Renewable Energy Infrastructure and Advanced Technology Vehicle Task Force.	Smith, B.	Bateman, C.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		energy
		McKeon, J.		2/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Solid Waste C.		Task Force
A2711 I1.PDF	Establishes NJ Task Force on Underground Utility Lines.						energy
		Handlin, A.		2/24/2014	Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		underground utility lines
S308 I1.PDF A1726 I1.PDF	Amends "Flood Hazard Area Control Act" to require DEP to take certain actions concerning delineations of flood hazard areas and floodways.	Gordon, R.	Greenstein, L.	1/14/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		environment
		Eustace, T.	Johnson, G.	2/24/2014	Rep. w/amendments, Ref. Appropriations C.		flood control
S1416 I1.PDF A2305 I1.PDF	Requires adoption of certain rules and regulations by DCA and DEP concerning blue roofs and green roofs.	Smith, B.	Bateman, C.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		environment
		DeAngelo, W.		3/10/2014	Rep. 2nd Reading		green building
S1417 I1.PDF A2304 I1.PDF	Requires construction of new buildings, facilities, and structures using State, EDA, or NJ Schools Development Authority funds to include green or blue roofs.	Smith, B.	Bateman, C.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		environment
		DeAngelo, W.		2/6/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Solid Waste C.		green building
S1415 I1.PDF A2307 I1.PDF	Requires NJ Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program to give additional weight in ranking system to projects including green or blue roofs.	Smith, B.	Bateman, C.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		environment
		DeAngelo, W.		3/10/2014	Rep. 2nd Reading		green building

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A2340 I1.PDF	Requires report and public hearing prior to DEP recommendation of site for inclusion on Superfund list.	Greenwald, L.	3/10/2014	Rep. 2nd Reading		environment superfund
S1240 I1.PDF A2852 I1.PDF	Provides "Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act" exemption, and clarifies municipal planning or zoning authority, for certain development along commercial corridors in Highlands Region.	Oroho, S.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		Highlands
		DiMaio, J. DeAngelo, W.	3/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Solid Waste C.		commercial corridor exemption
A1994 I1.PDF	Creates Foreclosure Prevention and Neighborhood Stabilization Revolving Trust Fund; places temporary surcharge on mortgage foreclosure complaints.					housing
		Watson Coleman, B.	3/13/2014	Rep. w/amendments, 2nd Reading		foreclosure prevention
S1347 I1.PDF	Requires Commissioner of Community Affairs to establish the "Senior Citizen Home Repair and Modification Program"; appropriates \$10 million.	Rice, R.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		housing senior citizen
S438 I1.PDF A441 I1.PDF	Allows municipalities to designate redevelopment entities and certain non-profits to act as land banks.	Ruiz, T.	3/17/2014	Ref. Budget & Appropriations C.		land banks
		Jasey, M. Wilson, G.	3/10/2014	Rep. 2nd Reading		municipal
A/2712 I1.PDF	Establishes a "Local Authorities Review Commission."					local authorities
		Handlin, A.	2/24/2014	Intro. Ref. State & Local Government C.		
S1459 I1.PDF	Requires municipal agency under MLUL to notify prospective applicant of potential need for additional governmental approvals.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		MLUL approvals

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S1540_I1.PDF	"Family Home Occupation Act;" classifies certain home-occupations as accessory uses needing no use variances in residential zone; authorizes municipalities to limit or exclude certain warehousing, manufacturing or retailing activities.	Allen, D.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		MLUL home occupation
S1520_I1.PDF	Requires municipality to post sign on property subject of development application.	Weinberg, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		MLUL post development application sign
S1461_I1.PDF	Clarifies power of municipalities to zone for separation of incompatible land uses through specification of reasonable separation limitations.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		MLUL zoning - separation limitations
A2743_I1.PDF	Permits public records custodian to require deposit for OPRA record requests exceeding \$15.					OPRA
		McKeon, J.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Judiciary C.		
SCR84_I1.PDF ACR130_I1.PDF	Amends Constitution to dedicate 6% of Corporation Business Tax revenues from FY2016 to FY2045 for open space, farmland, and historic preservation; ends dedication of 4% of Corporation Business Tax revenues for environmental programs	Smith, B. Bateman, C.	3/17/2014	Rep. 2nd Reading, Ref. Budget & Appropriations C.		preservation
		McKeon, J. Spencer, G.	3/13/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resource C.		corporate business tax
S1342_I1.PDF A1980_I1.PDF	Establishes farmland preservation inheritance tax deduction program within Department of Agriculture.	Van Drew, J.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		preservation
		Riley, C. Andrzejczak, B.	1/16/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		farmland inheritance tax

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S1035 I1.PDF A2764 I1.PDF	Establishes Commission on State-owned Historic Sites in Department of State, transfers administration of State-owned historic sites to commission, and transfers historic preservation programs from DEP to Department of State.	Weinberg, L. Johnson, G.	1/30/2014 2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Pres. C. Intro. Ref. Tourism & Gaming C.		preservation historic
S1406 I1.PDF A219 I1.PDF	Establishes N.J. Historical Commission program for preservation and promotion of graves of significant individuals of the American Revolutionary period; appropriates \$200,000.	Greenstein, L. Gusciora, R.	2/27/2014 1/16/2014	Intro. Ref. State Gov., Wagering, Tourism & Hist. Pres. C. Intro. Ref. Tourism & Gaming C.		preservation historic/graves
S781 I1.PDF A2900 I1.PDF	Makes various changes to law addressing meetings of public bodies to provide public with greater access to meetings and information about meetings.	Weinberg, L. Pennacchio, Johnson, G.	1/14/2014 3/13/2014	Intro. Ref. State Gov. Wagering, Tourism & Historic Pres. C. Intro. Ref. State & Local Government C.		public meetings
S1278 I1.PDF	Requires electric public utilities to provide electric circuit maps to municipalities every five years.	Rice, R.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		public utilities electric circuit maps
A2761 I1.PDF	Requires electric public utilities to implement flood mitigation plans for electric distribution substations and transfer stations in certain flood zones.	Mukherji, R. Singleton, T.	2/25/2014	Intro. Ref. Telecommunications & Utilities C.		public utilities flood mitigation
S1486 I1.PDF	Revises certain procedures for municipal redevelopment programs; prohibits certain campaign contributions by redevelopers.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		redevelopment campaign contributions

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S1319 I1.PDF A2581 I1.PDF	Requires OAL to maintain Internet database summarizing all State rule-making actions.	Van Drew, J.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. State Gov., Wagering, Tourism & Hist. Pres. C.		rule-making
		Mukherji, R. Pintor Marin, E.	2/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Regulatory Oversight C.		internet
A403 I1.PDF	Permits municipalities to provide information on property tax bills concerning amount of local tax dollars saved through shared services.					shared services
		Bucco, A. Lagana, J.	2/20/2014	Bill Withdrawn		
A2864 I1.PDF	"Stormwater Management and Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement Bond Act of 2014," authorizes bonds for \$50,000,000, and appropriates \$5,000.					stormwater
		McKeon, J.	3/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Solid Waste C.		sewer overflow
S1463 I1.PDF	Amends "State Transfer of Development Rights Act," and provides for impact fees and other incentives for establishment of transfer of development rights programs.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Economic Growth C.		TDR
						State program amendments
S1460 I1.PDF	Establishes circumstances under which municipalities may base development approval, the timing thereof, or denial, on sufficiency of local transportation infrastructure.	Greenstein, L.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Community & Urban Affairs C.		timed growth
						transportation
SJR14 I1.PDF	Creates "Passenger Rail System Study Commission."	Pennacchio, J. Doherty, M.	2/27/2014	Passed Sen., Ref. Assem.. Transportation & Independent Authorities C.		transportation
						passenger rail
S1377 I1.PDF A2577 I1.PDF	Establishes Rail Passenger Bill of Rights and authorizes Division of Consumer Affairs to enforce provisions.	Beck, J.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Transportation C.		transportation
		Mukherji, R.	2/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Consumer Affairs C.		rail

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A2594_11.PDF	Requires certain employers to plan and implement traffic reduction programs for employees.	McKeon, J.		2/20/2014	Intro. Ref. Transportation & Independent Authorities C.		transportation traffic reduction
A2599_11.PDF	Requires registration of certain vacant and abandoned properties with municipalities and permits municipalities to require protective measures be taken for such properties.	Singleton, T.		2/20/2014	Intro. Ref. Housing & Community Development C.		vacant properties registration
S1510_11.PDF	Authorizes municipalities to finance water conservation, storm shelter construction, and flood and hurricane resistance projects.	Smith, B.	Bateman, C.	2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		water conservation flood mitigation
S1496_11.PDF A2511_11.PDF	Authorizes the State, with prior approval by the State House Commission, to use eminent domain power to acquire lands for recreation and conservation purposes provided lands are protective of drinking water sources.	Smith, B.		2/27/2014	Intro. Ref. Environment & Energy C.		water supply
		McKeon, J.		2/10/2014	Intro. Ref. Agriculture & Natural Resources C.		eminent domain