

## MEL (2016-2017)

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**Bill: A163**

**Sponsors:** Tucker (D28); Andrzejczak (D1); Taliaferro (D3); Spencer (D29)

**Summary:** Concerns training of employees about access to public facilities for individuals with service or guide dogs.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A230**

**Sponsors:** Danielsen (D17); Mazzeo (D2); Lagana (D38) +1

**Summary:** Immunizes from civil liability first responders who forcibly enter property to provide emergency assistance.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A395**

**Sponsors:** Benson (D14); Eustace (D38); DeAngelo (D14); Lagana (D38); Phoebus (R24) +2

**Summary:** Establishes "Local Governmental Process Activities Disclosure Act."

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A418**

**Sponsors:** Eustace (D38)

**Summary:** Establishes the "New Jersey Sunshine in Litigation Act"; requires disclosure of judgements, records, and settlements concerning public hazards.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A511**

**Sponsors:** Schepisi (R39) +3

**Summary:** Exempts municipal clerk from penalties for Open Public Records Act violations under certain circumstances.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A569**

**Sponsors:** Handlin (R13); Spencer (D29); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Oliver (D34) +1

**Summary:** Requires all elected or appointed local government officers to receive ethics training.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A853**

**Sponsors:** Quijano (D20); Spencer (D29)

**Summary:** Extends statute of limitations in certain civil actions for sexual abuse; expands the categories of potentially liable defendants; and revives certain actions.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A865**

**Sponsors:** Quijano (D20); Spencer (D29); Vainieri Huttle (D37)

**Summary:** Removes statute of limitations in certain civil actions for sexual abuse; expands categories of defendants liable in such actions.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A867**

**Sponsors:** Quijano (D20); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Handlin (R13); Sumter (D35); Benson (D14) +1

**Summary:** Extends "whistleblower" protections to employee disclosure of governmental mismanagement,

waste and abuse.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A1172**

**Sponsors:** Rumpf (R9); Gove (R9)

**Summary:** Prevents intoxicated employees from receiving workers' compensation.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: A1319**

**Sponsors:** Ribble (R30)

**Summary:** Requires criminal history record background checks on certain volunteer sports personnel.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A1379**

**Sponsors:** Spencer (D29); Sumter (D35)

**Summary:** Makes various changes to the "Law Against Discrimination"; repeals section 4 of P.L.1985, c.73.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A1420**

**Sponsors:** Johnson (D37); Vainieri Huttle (D37); Sumter (D35)

**Summary:** Amends "Law Against Discrimination" to include crime victims as protected status.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A1509**

**Sponsors:** McKeon (D27); Spencer (D29); Giblin (D34); Caride (D36) +7

**Summary:** Clarifies that certain types of sewage and sewage sludge do not constitute hazardous substances under "Spill Compensation and Control Act."

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: A1556**

**Sponsors:** Webber (R26)

**Summary:** Immunizes employers from civil liability for certain disclosures regarding employees and former employees.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: A1583**

**Sponsors:** Webber (R26)

**Summary:** Limits liability for operators of buildings, facilities, or premises for certain sports, games, and amusement activities.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: A1647**

**Sponsors:** Schaer (D36); Caride (D36); Lagana (D38); Eustace (D38) +2

**Summary:** Adds to property tax levy cap exclusions increases in flood insurance premiums.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: A1663 Aca w/GR (2R)**

**Sponsors:** Schaer (D36); Prieto (D32); Sumter (D35); Danielsen (D17); Johnson (D37); Mukherji (D33); Turner (D15) +11

**Summary:** Requires DLPS to establish and make available to law enforcement agencies cultural diversity training materials and online tutorial.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A1845**

**Sponsors:** Giblin (D34); Lagana (D38); Mukherji (D33)

**Summary:** Permits group self-insurance plans for, and collective bargaining agreements improving the provision of, workers' compensation.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A2250**

**Sponsors:** DeAngelo (D14)

**Summary:** Eliminates exception to public advertising and bidding requirements for certain public contracts involving insurance coverage and consulting services.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A2294**

**Sponsors:** Vainieri Huttle (D37); Andrzejczak (D1)

**Summary:** Expands civil rights protections to include breastfeeding; requires employers to provide reasonable accommodations for breastfeeding mothers.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A2299**

**Sponsors:** Vainieri Huttle (D37)

**Summary:** Establishes the "Healthy Workplace Act."

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A2482**

**Sponsors:** Lampitt (D6); Gusciora (D15)

**Summary:** Establishes protection from adverse employment action for authorized medical marijuana patients.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A2681**

**Sponsors:** Spencer (D29)

**Summary:** Prohibits contribution action against local public entity for cleanup and removal costs or any other damages associated with discharge of hazardous substances.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: A2697**

**Sponsors:** Johnson (D37) +1

**Summary:** Makes certain access changes to open public records act; establishes State public finance website and creates program for development of local websites; makes appropriation.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A2701**

**Sponsors:** Danielsen (D17); Johnson (D37)

**Summary:** Designated Kevin Apuzzio's Law; allows municipalities to provide increased survivor pensions for certain volunteer emergency workers and requires municipalities to provide health and life insurance coverage to volunteer firefighters.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A2707**

**Sponsors:** Johnson (D37)

**Summary:** Concerns workers' compensation for firefighters with cancer.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A3087**

**Sponsors:** Quijano (D20); Lagana (D38)

**Summary:** "Thomas P. Canzanella Twenty First Century First Responders Protection Act"; concerns workers' compensation for public safety workers.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A3173**

**Sponsors:** Land (D1); Andrzejczak (D1)

**Summary:** Provides family leave insurance for certain first responders.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A3223**

**Sponsors:** Dancer (R12); Auth (R39)

**Summary:** Provides public employee in State-administered retirement system who continues preexisting volunteer relationship with employer from whom employee retires has bona fide severance from employment for compliance with NJ and federal regulations.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A3401 AsSca (AS/1R)**

**Sponsors:** Greenwald (D6); Downey (D11); Phoebus (R24); Oroho (R24); Sarlo (D36) +1

**Summary:** Concerns electronic medical bills for workers' compensation claims.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: A3426**

**Sponsors:** Rible (R30)

**Summary:** Concerns attorney fees for workers' compensation awards.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: A3949**

**Sponsors:** DeCroce, B. (R26)

**Summary:** Caps attorney fee awards in actions against public entities.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S84**

**Sponsors:** Bucco (R25); Bateman (R16) +3

**Summary:** Requires all elected or appointed local government officers to receive ethics training.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S91**

**Sponsors:** Whelan (D2); Allen (R7) +1

**Summary:** Immunizes from civil liability first responders who forcibly enter property to provide emergency assistance.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S109**

**Sponsors:** Pennacchio (R26); Madden (D4)

**Summary:** Concerns certain workers' compensation supplemental benefits for surviving dependents of public safety workers who die in the line of duty.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S280**

**Sponsors:** Vitale (D19); Scutari (D22) +3

**Summary:** Removes statute of limitations in certain civil actions for sexual abuse; expands categories of defendants liable in such actions.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S325**

**Sponsors:** Scutari (D22)

**Summary:** Expands WC coverage to parking areas provided by employer.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S405**

**Sponsors:** Thompson (R12)

**Summary:** Provides immunity from liability for certain recreational activities and from injuries caused by acts of God.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S489**

**Sponsors:** Oroho (R24); Pennacchio (R26)

**Summary:** Requires local governments to purchase excess insurance for certain renewable energy projects financed by bonds.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S726**

**Sponsors:** Cruz-Perez (D5); Oroho (R24)

**Summary:** Extends full protection of Law Against Discrimination to persons having liability for service in Armed Forces of United States; guarantees equal employment opportunity in State contracting to all veterans.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S735**

**Sponsors:** Beach (D6)

**Summary:** "Assistance to Firefighters' Families Act"; doubles State survivor pension amounts for beneficiaries of certain deceased volunteer emergency service providers; requires municipal life insurance and burial expenses for volunteer firefighters; permits fire

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S777**

**Sponsors:** Sarlo (D36)

**Summary:** Increases workers' compensation for loss of hand or foot; requires Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development to study effectiveness of workers' compensation program.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S788**

**Sponsors:** Sarlo (D36)

**Summary:** Exempts law enforcement camera and 9-1-1 recordings from State's open public records law.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S797**

**Sponsors:** Weinberg (D37) +1

**Summary:** Extends "whistleblower" protections to employee disclosure of governmental mismanagement, waste and abuse.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S810 Sca (1R)**

**Sponsors:** Weinberg (D37); Bateman (R16) +1

**Summary:** Amends "Law Against Discrimination" to include crime victims as protected status.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S829**

**Sponsors:** Pou (D35)

**Summary:** Prohibits local public employer continuation of pay programs.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S868**

**Sponsors:** Greenstein (D14)

**Summary:** Establishes the "Healthy Workplace Act."

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S905**

**Sponsors:** Connors, C (R9)

**Summary:** Clarifies that punitive damages may not be awarded against public entities or public employees acting within the scope of their employment in any action.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S1046**

**Sponsors:** Weinberg (D37); Pennacchio (R26)

**Summary:** Makes certain access changes to open public records act; establishes State public finance website and creates program for development of local websites; makes appropriation.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S1142 Sca (1R)**

**Sponsors:** Turner (D15)

**Summary:** Requires county, municipal, and campus police departments to establish cultural diversity training course and plan.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S1340**

**Sponsors:** Bucco (R25)

**Summary:** The "New Jersey Bleacher Safety Act."

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S1402**

**Sponsors:** Weinberg (D37)

**Summary:** Establishes "Local Governmental Process Activities Disclosure Act."

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S1463**

**Sponsors:** Ruiz (D29)

**Summary:** Prohibits contribution action against local public entity for cleanup and removal costs or any other

damages associated with discharge of hazardous substances.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S1528**

**Sponsors:** Van Drew (D1)

**Summary:** Provides family leave insurance for certain first responders.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S1550**

**Sponsors:** Connors, C (R9)

**Summary:** Prevents intoxicated employees from receiving workers' compensation.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S1572**

**Sponsors:** Weinberg (D37)

**Summary:** Concerns workers' compensation for firefighters with cancer.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S1600**

**Sponsors:** Van Drew (D1)

**Summary:** Concerns training of employees about access to public facilities for individuals with service or guide dogs.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S1687**

**Sponsors:** Lesniak (D20); Cunningham (D31)

**Summary:** Removes certain bars to employment for convicted offenders.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S1884**

**Sponsors:** Doherty (R23)

**Summary:** Eliminates the alternative minimum assessment under the corporation business tax.

**Position:** Support

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**Bill: S2136 Scs (SCS)**

**Sponsors:** Oroho (R24); Sarlo (D36)

**Summary:** Concerns electronic medical bills for workers' compensation claims.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S2161**

**Sponsors:** Scutari (D22)

**Summary:** Establishes protection from adverse employment action for authorized medical marijuana patients.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S2407**

**Sponsors:** Greenstein (D14)

**Summary:** "Thomas P. Canzanella Twenty First Century First Responders Protection Act"; concerns workers' compensation for public safety workers.

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill: S2446**

**Sponsors:** Van Drew (D1)

**Summary:** Provides public employee in State-administered retirement system who continues preexisting volunteer relationship with employer from whom employee retires has bona fide severance from employment for compliance with NJ and federal regulations.

**Position:** Monitor

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**Bill: S2488**

**Sponsors:** Scutari (D22)

**Summary:** "New Jersey Insurance Fair Conduct Act."

**Position:** Oppose

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