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Elections Can Be Confusing...

Each year at this time we publish our annual Voter Guide edition of the *On the Road* newsletter.

We try very hard to relay both the voting records and the views of the candidates who are up for election.

Whenever I discuss legislative issues and the officials involved, I try to take care to recognize that many of you probably do not fully understand how everything works down in Trenton. Then when I throw in issues that are created by Congress in Washington D.C. and it can get really confusing. Why do I know this? Because when I first became interested in politics back in 1979, I didn't have a clue how things worked or who the players were, and it took me years to fully understand it all.

As I became more involved, I realized that most folks didn't understand either. I learned this simply by having coffee in my front office with customers while their cars were being repaired. I took great pleasure in trying to teach them the things about government that I was learning.

After 11 years of being a student of government, I became a teacher of sorts. The local elementary school asked me to visit one day each year to explain to 8th graders how government works and how laws are passed. After two years, some of the parents began showing up in the classroom, as I had earned a reputation for clearly explaining the civics that we all were taught in school, but never really grasped.

I began my lessons by hanging two maps on the board in front of the classroom. One map showed how the state of NJ was divided into 40 puzzle-like districts listing the members of the General Assembly and State Senate who represented each district. I also hung a map displaying how NJ was divided into 15 different puzzle-like districts showing the 15 members who represented NJ in the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington D.C. (Today, NJ only has 12 representatives because of population shifts around the country)

I challenged the young students by asking them about laws that they thought needed to be passed and then asked them which representatives they should ask to help them pass the law. Should they ask a representative in Trenton? or in Washington?

I am recalling this experience now because some serious issues have recently arisen in Washington D.C. that have caused me to visit there and meet with members of Congress, just as I do with legislators here in Trenton. Although we are faced with critical issues being debated in Washington, such as Mandatory Tire Registration, the election that we are paying attention to next month is right here in Trenton. Not until November 2016 will we be voting for our Representatives in Washington, and then you can expect that we will be telling you exactly how each of them voted on Mandatory Tire Registration.

But, for now, we must select who the representatives will be in the NJ General Assembly. The people we vote for on November 3rd will take office in January 2016. They will hold their office for two years before facing the voters again. In this Voter Guide, we have tried to share with you the positions of those who are asking for your vote. It is important that you study how legislators voted and review their responses to the questions that we have posed to them. Of course, if you are not clear about a candidate's position, you should call or email me and I will try to clarify what I know about them.

Remember, this is only a guide. You may have knowledge of other issues not focused on by NJGCA that may affect your choice. Having more knowledge is better than having less knowledge. As I have said in the past: I can't and won't tell you how to vote, but I can give you the information to help you decide.

When you review the survey that was sent to the candidates, I think you should pay close attention to those who indicated that they would support efforts to allow self-serve gasoline sales and also to those who support NJGCA efforts to pass Right to Repair laws. These are critical issues to your business and certainly warrant support for the candidates who understand your side of these issues.

Again, please take care to review this guide, ask questions if you have them, and certainly make sure that you vote on November 3rd.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sal Risalvato'.



Department of Labor Q & A



Strategic Enforcement Fueling Labor Law Compliance

By John Warner, director of the Wage and Hour Division's Northern New Jersey District Office

In 2010, the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division launched a still-ongoing enforcement initiative focused on New Jersey gas stations, where we have historically found consistent and widespread violations of federal minimum wage and overtime laws.

Since the start of the initiative, more than 300 investigations were completed at gas stations across the Garden State. This has resulted in more than \$6.675 million in back wages and liquidated damages for hundreds of attendants.

In fiscal year 2015, we revisited approximately 50 gas stations that were previously investigated and selected at random. Of these stations, 21 were found to be fully compliant with the minimum wage, overtime and recordkeeping requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act. This is a significant improvement from prior years, when 78 to 84 percent of stations investigated were found in violation.

This progress is even more remarkable when you take a deeper look at the numbers. From 2010 through 2013, the average employee was due more than \$3,200 in back wages. This year,

the average worker was found due about \$1,330, which is less than half of what had been found in prior years. In fact, there were several cases where the back wages due for all the affected workers amounted to less than \$600 total.

In fiscal year 2013, there were several individual stations with back wages over \$35,000. This year, in 54 percent of the stations investigated, there were no back wages due or the amount owed was less than \$600. Gas station operators have made great strides in complying with the FLSA, and a key component to this has been employers hiring more workers. More employees translate into shorter work weeks, with less overtime exposure.

Another key finding we discovered was that new operators are far more likely to have violations than those who have been investigated. Many of the operators' costs, like rent, gas supplies, and electricity, are beyond their control. These labor costs are an aspect of the operation that the employer can be tempted to reduce by unfortunately not paying proper overtime premiums. Working with NJGCA by providing quarterly newsletter articles like this and answering members' questions, we will continue reaching new operators to educate them about the FLSA before they make bad choices about controlling their labor costs.

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WHEN: 9:30 - 11:00 AM

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Weds. November 4, 2015
Shore Diner
6710 Tilton Road
Egg Harbor Twp., NJ 08234

Hunterdon County

Tues. December 1, 2015
Spinning Wheel Diner
283 US Route 22
Lebanon, NJ 08833

Monmouth County

Weds. January 13, 2016
Princess Maria Diner
2044 Route 35 North
Wall Twp., NJ 07719

Union County

Weds. February 10, 2016
Tropicana Diner
545 Morris Avenue
Elizabeth, NJ 07208

Bergen County

Weds. March 2, 2016
Suburban Diner
172 Route 17 North
Paramus, NJ 07652

WHY: We want to hear from our members!

DETAILS: Join us for a **FREE breakfast!** Hear an update from Sal, and share your questions or concerns.

- Participate in Roundtable discussions with NJGCA staff and fellow business owners about issues events important to your business!

- Meet Member Benefit Partners and learn how to save money and take full advantage of your NJGCA Benefits.

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WHEN: Tuesday, December 8, 2015 Class Starts: 7:00 AM

FEES: NJGCA Member = \$250 Non-Member = \$300

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FEES: NJGCA Member = \$635 Non-Member = \$765

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THE NJGCA VOTER GUIDE

By: Eric Blomgren

On November 3rd, we'll be heading to the polls to vote for who will be representing us in our state's General Assembly.

As NJGCA has made clear, government has a huge influence on how your business operates. Elections are where we, as citizens, are most able to make our voices heard. The members of the state Legislature decide which legislation to pass and which to ignore or reject. The Governor can then approve, reject, or attempt to modify what the Legislature passes. If they can all agree on something, it becomes the law and you must live by it.

New Jersey has nearly 9 million people living here, about 5.5 million of which are registered voters. The Legislature is divided into two houses: the State Senate (40 members) and the General Assembly (80 members). All the citizens of the state are divided into 40 districts, each with about 220,000 people. The voters of each district elect one person to the state Senate and two people to the Assembly. Those elected to the Assembly will serve for 2 years. Currently, Democrats have control of both chambers of the Legislature. They have led the Assembly since 2002. The Assembly is currently split 48 Democrats, 32 Republicans.

This year we will only be voting for members of the Assembly. Almost all districts will feature 4 names: 2 Republicans and 2 Democrats. Voters will be asked to vote for 2 of those names.

Turnout this year is expected to be extremely low, and may even be the lowest on record for a general election, around 25%. This means that every person who does actually vote will have a much bigger effect on the results. Your vote really can make a difference. In the last election there were two Assembly seats determined by about 50 votes each, and turnout was nearly twice what it will be this time.

The point is: GO VOTE!

Legislative Update - Right to Repair

In September we saw a big win in the national fight for Right to Repair. As you remember, in late 2013 the state of Massachusetts passed a Right to Repair law that covered passenger and heavy duty vehicles. A few months later a national memorandum of understanding (MOU) was established and signed between the manufacturers and representatives from independent repairers and the aftermarket industry. However, this agreement cut out heavy duty vehicles completely. Consequently, NJGCA has been working to pass a Right to Repair law in New Jersey that would match the MA law. Now, at last, a national MOU has been agreed to that extends protection to vehicles over 14,000 pounds. In many ways, this new MOU is stronger than the MA law; among other ways by extending Right to Repair to MY 2010 and newer heavy duty vehicles, whereas the MA law covered MY 2013 and newer. It also specifically requires the manufacturers to provide independent repairers with access to training materials and instructions related to tools and repairs, as well as information to identify the locations of sensors and computer modules on the heavy duty vehicle. NJGCA will decide how to move forward with our legislation following this victory. We would still prefer to have the protections of Right to Repair written into state law to ensure long-term compliance by the manufacturers.

Legislative Update - Mandatory Tire Registration

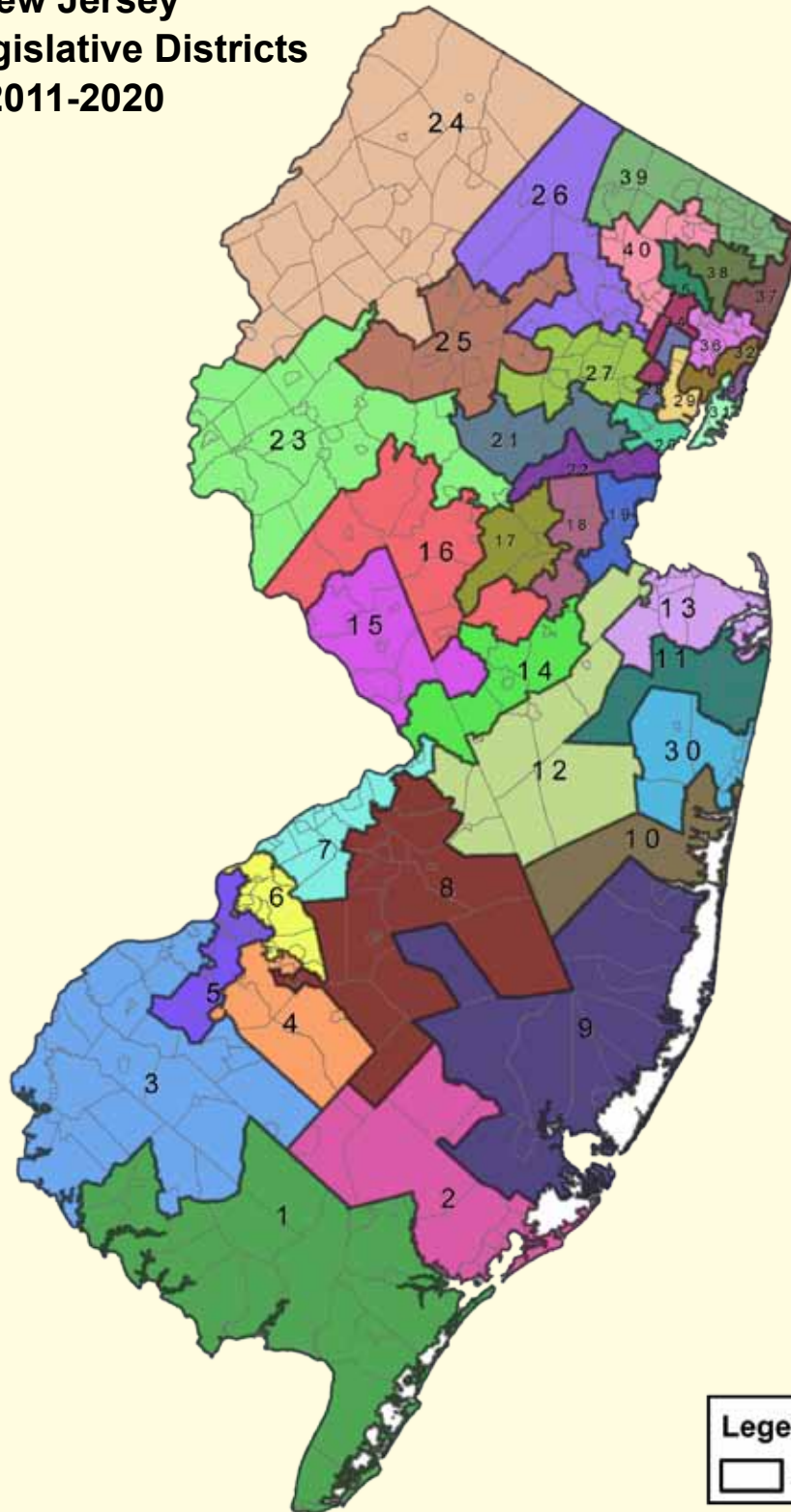
NJGCA has continued to play a leading role in the national fight in Washington DC to prevent every tire retailer from having to manually register their customers' contact info along with the T.I.N. number for every tire they sell, and then send the info to the manufacturer. Those that don't comply will be liable for huge fines per tire, which can add up quickly to tens of thousands of dollars. This proposal has come dangerously close to being enacted because it keeps getting added as an amendment to the thousand page legislation that authorizes the nation's highway spending. New Jersey has three elected officials in key positions of influence in this fight: Rep. Leonard Lance (R-Hunterdon), Rep. Frank Pallone (D-Monmouth), and Sen. Cory Booker (D). NJGCA has been in frequent touch with all 3 offices and sat down along with representatives from the national Tire Industry Association (TIA) to discuss all the problems with this proposal. We will continue to be on the lookout as the Congress is hoping to pass a long term highway bill sometime this fall and the tire manufacturers are using all of their powerful influence to sneak this in again.

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New Jersey State Legislative Districts 2011-2020





WHAT DISTRICT DO I LIVE (VOTE) IN?

Atlantic County: **District 1:** Corbin City, Estell Manor, and Weymouth. **District 2:** Absecon, Atlantic City, Brigantine, Buena, Buena Vista, Egg Harbor City, Egg Harbor Township, Folsom, Hamilton, Linwood, Longport, Margate, Mullica, Northfield, Somers Point, and Ventnor. **District 8:** Hammonton. **District 9:** Galloway and Port Republic.

Bergen County: **District 32:** Edgewater and Fairview. **District 35:** Elmwood Park and Garfield. **District 36:** Carlstadt, Cliffside Park, East Rutherford, Little Ferry, Lyndhurst, Moonachie, North Arlington, Ridgefield, Ridgefield Park, Rutherford, South Hackensack, Teterboro, Wallington, and Wood-Ridge. **District 37:** Alpine, Bogota, Cresskill, Englewood, Englewood Cliffs, Fort Lee, Hackensack, Leonia, Northvale, Palisades Park, Rockleigh, Teaneck, and Tenafly. **District 38:** Bergenfield, Fair Lawn, Glen Rock, Hasbrouck Heights, Lodi, Maywood, New Milford, Oradell, Paramus, River Edge, Rochelle Park, and Saddle Brook. **District 39:** Closter, Demarest, Dumont, Emerson, Harrington Park, Haworth, Hillsdale, Mahwah, Montvale, Norwood, Oakland, Old Tappan, Park Ridge, Ramsey, River Vale, Saddle River, Upper Saddle River, Washington, Westwood, and Woodcliff Lake. **District 40:** Allendale, Franklin Lakes, Ho-Ho-Kus, Midland Park, Ridgewood, Waldwick, and Wyckoff.

Burlington County: **District 6:** Maple Shade. **District 7:** Beverly City, Bordentown City, Bordentown Township, Fieldsboro, Burlington City, Burlington Township, Cinnaminson, Delanco, Delran, Edgewater Park, Florence, Moorestown, Mount Laurel, Palmyra, Riverside, Riverton, and Willingboro. **District 8:** Eastampton, Evesham, Hainesport, Lumberton, Mansfield, Medford, Medford Lakes, Mount Holly, Pemberton Borough, Pemberton Township, Shamong, Southampton, Springfield, Westampton, and Woodland. **District 9:** Bass River, Tabernacle, and Washington. **District 12:** Chesterfield, New Hanover, North Hanover, and Wrightstown.

Camden County: **District 4:** Chesilhurst, Clementon, Gloucester Township, Laurel Springs, Lindenwold, and Winslow. **District 5:** Audubon, Audubon Park, Barrington, Bellmawr, Brooklawn, Camden, Gloucester City, Haddon Heights, Lawnside, Magnolia, Mount Ephraim, Runnemede, and Woodlynne. **District 6:** Berlin Township, Cherry Hill, Collingswood, Gibbsboro, Haddon Township, Haddonfield, Hi-Nella, Merchantville, Oaklyn, Somerdale, Pennsauken, Stratford, Tavistock, and Voorhees. **District 8:** Berlin Borough, Pine Hill, Pine Valley, and Waterford.

Cape May County: **District 1:** Entire County.

Cumberland County: **District 1:** Commercial, Downe, Fairfield, Greenwich, Hopewell, Lawrence, Maurice River, Millville, Shiloh, Stow Creek, and Vineland. **District 3:** Bridgeton, Deerfield, and Upper Deerfield.

Essex County: **District 26:** Fairfield, North Caldwell, Verona, and West Caldwell. **District 27:** Caldwell, Essex Fells, Livingston, Maplewood, Millburn, Roseland, South Orange, and West Orange. **District 28:** Bloomfield, Glen Ridge, Irvington, Newark (part), and Nutley. **District 29:** Belleville and Newark (part). **District 34:** East Orange, Montclair, and Orange. **District 40:** Cedar Grove.

Gloucester County: **District 3:** Clayton, East Greenwich, Elk, Franklin, Glassboro, Greenwich, Logan, National Park, Newfield, Paulsboro, South Harrison, Swedesboro, West Deptford, Woodbury Heights, and Woolwich. **District 4:** Monroe, Pitman, and Washington Township. **District 5:** Deptford, Harrison, Mantua, Wenonah, Westville, and Woodbury.

Hudson County: **District 31:** Bayonne and Jersey City (part). **District 32:** East Newark, Guttenberg, Harrison, Kearny, North Bergen, Secaucus, and West New York. **District 33:** Hoboken, Jersey City (part), Union City, and Weehawken.

Hunterdon County: **District 15:** East Amwell, Lambertville, and West Amwell. **District 16:** Delaware, Flemington, Raritan, Readington, and Stockton. **District 23:** Alexandria, Bethlehem, Bloomsbury, Califon, Clinton Town, Clinton Township, Franklin, Frenchtown, Glen Gardner, Hampton, High Bridge, Holland, Kingwood, Lebanon Borough, Lebanon Township, Milford, Tewksbury, and Union.

Mercer County: **District 14:** East Windsor, Hamilton, Hightstown, and Robbinsville. **District 15:** Ewing, Hopewell Borough, Hopewell Township, Lawrence, Pennington, Trenton, and West Windsor. **District 16:** Princeton Borough.

Middlesex County: **District 12:** Old Bridge. **District 14:** Cranbury, Jamesburg, Monroe, Plainsboro, and Spotswood. **District 16:** South Brunswick. **District 17:** Milltown, New Brunswick, North Brunswick, and Piscataway. **District 18:** East Brunswick, Edison, Helmetta, Highland Park, Metuchen, South Plainfield, and South River. **District 19:** Carteret, Perth Amboy, Sayreville, South Amboy, and Woodbridge. **District 22:** Dunellen and Middlesex Borough.

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WHAT DISTRICT DO I LIVE (VOTE) IN?

Monmouth County: **District 11:** Allenhurst, Asbury Park, Colts Neck, Deal, Freehold Borough, Freehold Township, Eatontown, Interlaken, Loch Arbour, Long Branch, Neptune City, Neptune Township, Ocean Township, Red Bank, Shrewsbury Borough, Shrewsbury Township, Tinton Falls, and West Long Branch. **District 12:** Allentown, Englishtown, Manalapan, Matawan, Millstone, Roosevelt, and Upper Freehold. **District 13:** Aberdeen, Atlantic Highlands, Fair Haven, Hazlet, Highlands, Holmdel, Keansburg, Keyport, Little Silver, Marlboro, Middletown, Monmouth Beach, Oceanport, Rumson, Sea Bright, and Union Beach. **District 30:** Avon-by-the-Sea, Belmar, Bradley Beach, Brielle, Farmingdale, Howell, Lake Como, Manasquan, Sea Girt, Spring Lake Borough, Spring Lake Heights, and Wall.

Morris County: **District 21:** Chatham Borough and Long Hill. **District 24:** Mount Olive. **District 25:** Boonton Town, Boonton Township, Chester Borough, Chester Township, Denville, Dover, Mendham Borough, Mendham Township, Mine Hill, Morristown, Mount Arlington, Mountain Lakes, Netcong, Randolph, Rockaway Borough, Roxbury, Victory Gardens, Wharton, and Washington. **District 26:** Butler, Jefferson, Kinnelon, Lincoln Park, Montville, Morris Plains, Parsippany-Troy Hills, and Rockaway Township. **District 27:** Chatham Township, East Hanover, Florham Park, Hanover, Harding, and Madison. **District 40:** Pequannock and Riverdale.

Ocean County: **District 9:** Barnegat Township, Barnegat Light, Beach Haven, Beachwood, Berkeley, Eagleswood, Harvey Cedars, Lacey, Little Egg Harbor, Long Beach, Ocean Township, Ocean Gate, Pine Beach, Seaside Park, South Toms River, Ship Bottom, Stafford, Surf City, and Tuckerton. **District 10:** Bay Head, Brick, Island Heights, Manchester, Lakehurst, Lavallette, Mantoloking, Point Pleasant Beach, Seaside Heights, and Toms River. **District 12:** Jackson and Plumsted. **District 30:** Lakewood and Point Pleasant.

Passaic County: **District 26:** West Milford. **District 34:** Clifton. **District 35:** Haledon, North Haledon, Paterson, and Prospect Park. **District 36:** Passaic City. **District 38:** Hawthorne. **District 39:** Bloomingdale, Ringwood, and Wanaque. **District 40:** Little Falls, Pompton Lakes, Totowa, Wayne, and Woodland Park.

Salem County: **District 3:** Entire County.

Somerset County: **District 16:** Branchburg, Hillsborough, Manville, Millstone, Montgomery, Rocky Hill, and Somerville. **District 17:** Franklin. **District 21:** Bernards, Far Hills, Warren, and Watchung. **District 22:** Green Brook and North Plainfield. **District 23:** Bedminster, Bound Brook, Bridgewater, Peapack & Gladstone, Raritan, and South Bound Brook. **District 25:** Bernardsville.

Sussex County: **District 24:** Entire County.

Union County: **District 20:** Elizabeth, Hillside, Roselle, and Union. **District 21:** Berkeley Heights, Cranford, Garwood, Kenilworth, Mountainside, New Providence, Roselle Park, Springfield, Summit and Westfield. **District 22:** Clark, Fanwood, Linden, Plainfield, Rahway, Scotch Plains, and Winfield.

Warren County: **District 23:** Alpha, Franklin, Greenwich, Hackettstown, Harmony, Lopatcong, Mansfield, Philipsburg, Pohatcong, Washington Borough, and Washington Township. **District 24:** Allamuchy, Belvidere, Blairstown, Frelinghuysen, Hardwick, Hope, Independence, Knowlton, Liberty, Oxford, and White.

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WHO ARE THE CANDIDATES?

Names in Italics are incumbent candidates running for re-election (vote for 2).

DISTRICT 1

Assemblyman Bob Andrzejczak (D), Bruce Land (D), Assemblyman Sam Fiocchi (R), Freeholder Jim Sauro (R)

DISTRICT 2

Assemblyman Chris A. Brown (R), Freeholder Will Pauls (R), Assemblyman Vincent Mazzeo (D), Freeholder Colin Bell (D)

DISTRICT 3

Assemblyman John Burzichelli (D), Assemblyman Adam Taliaferro (D), Mayor Sam Maccarone, Jr. (R), Leroy Pierce III (R)

DISTRICT 4

Assemblyman Paul Moriarty (D), Assemblywoman Gabriela Mosquera (D), Kevin Murphy (R), Mayor Jack Nicholson (R)

DISTRICT 5

Senate Special Election: *Senator Nilsa Cruz-Perez (D)*

Assembly: Councilman Arthur Barclay (D), Surrogate Patricia Egan Jones (D), Kevin Ehret (R), Keith Walker (R)

DISTRICT 6

Majority Leader Lou Greenwald (D), Assemblywoman Pamela Lampitt (D), Holly Tate (R), Claire Gustafson (R)

DISTRICT 7

Assemblyman Herb Conaway (D), Assemblyman Troy Singleton (D), Bill Conley (R), Councilman Rob Prisco (R)

DISTRICT 8

Assemblywoman Maria Rodriguez-Gregg (R), Freeholder Joe Haworth (R)

DISTRICT 9

Assemblyman Brian Rumpf (R), Assemblywoman DiAnne Gove (R), Fran Zimmer (D), John Bingham (D)

DISTRICT 10

Assemblyman David Wolfe (R), Assemblyman Gregory McGuckin (R), Valter Must (D), Kimberley Casten (D)

DISTRICT 11

Assemblywoman Mary Pat Angelini (R), Assemblywoman Caroline Casagrande (R), Mayor Eric Houghtaling (D), Joann Downey (D)

DISTRICT 12

Assemblyman Ron Dancer (R), Assemblyman Robert Clifton (R), David Merwin (D), Robert Kurzydowski (D)

DISTRICT 13

Assemblywoman Amy Handlin (R), Assemblyman Declan O'Scanlon (R), Jeanne Cullinane (D), Thomas Herman (D)

DISTRICT 14

Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo (D), Assemblyman Daniel Benson (D), David Jones (R), Philip Kaufman (R)

DISTRICT 15

Assemblyman Reed Gusciora (D), Assemblywoman Elizabeth Maher Muoio (D), Anthony Giordano (R), Councilman Peter Mendonez, Jr. (R)

DISTRICT 16

Assemblyman Jack Ciattarelli (R), Assemblywoman Donna Simon (R), Andrew Zwicker (D), Maureen Vella (D)

DISTRICT 17

Assemblyman Joe Egan (D), Assemblyman Joe Danielsen (D), Robert Mettler (R), Brajesh Singh (R)

DISTRICT 18

Assemblyman Patrick Diegnan (D), Assemblywoman Nancy Pinkin (D), Synovve Bakke (R), Teresa Rose Hutchison (R)

DISTRICT 19

Assemblyman John Wisniewski (D), Assemblyman Craig Coughlin (D), Thomas Maras (R), Jesus Varela (R)

DISTRICT 20

Assemblywoman Annette Quijano (D), Assemblyman Jamel Holley (D), Stephen Kozlovich (R), Roger Stryeski (R)

DISTRICT 21

Republican Leader Jon Bramnick (R), Assemblywoman Nancy Munoz (R), Jill Anne Lazare (D), Mayor David Barnett (D)

DISTRICT 22

Assemblyman Jerry Green (D), Mayor James Kennedy (D), Bo Vastine (R), William Michelson (R)

DISTRICT 23

Assemblyman Erik Peterson (R), Assemblyman John DiMaio (R), Maria Rodriguez (D), MaryBeth Maciag (D)

DISTRICT 24

Assemblyman Parker Space (R), Freeholder Gail Phoebus (R), Michael Grace (D), Jacqueline Stapel (D)

DISTRICT 25

Assemblyman Michael Patrick Carroll (R), Assemblyman Anthony M. Bucco, Richard Corcoran III (D), Thomas Moran (D)

DISTRICT 26

Assemblyman Jay Webber (R), Assemblywoman BettyLou DeCroce, Wayne Marek (D), Avery Hart (D)

DISTRICT 27

Assemblyman John McKeon (D), Assemblywoman Mila Jasey (D), Tayfun Selen (R), Q Rim (R)

DISTRICT 28

Assemblyman Ralph Caputo (D), Assemblywoman Cleopatra Tucker (D), Darnel Henry (R), David Pinckney (R)

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WHO ARE THE CANDIDATES? (CONTINUED)

Names in Italics are incumbent candidates running for re-election (vote for 2)

DISTRICT 29

Assemblywoman L. Grace Spencer (D), Assemblywoman Eliana Pintor Marin (D), Nick Campione (R), Jeannette Veras (R)

DISTRICT 30

Assemblyman David Ribble (R), Assemblyman Sean Kean (R), Jim Keady (D), Lorna Phillipson (D)

DISTRICT 31

Angela McKnight (D), Nick Chiaravalloti (D), Matt Kopko (R), Herminio Mendoza (R)

DISTRICT 32

Speaker Vincent Prieto (D), Assemblywoman Angelica Jimenez (D), LisaMarie Tusa (R), Frank Miqueli (R)

DISTRICT 33

Assemblyman Raj Mukherji (D), Annette Chaparro (D), Garrett Simulcik, Jr. (R), Javier Sosa (R)

DISTRICT 34

Assemblywoman Sheila Oliver (D), Assemblyman Tom Giblin (D), Chairman John Traier (R)

DISTRICT 35

Assemblywoman Shavonda Sumter (D), Assemblyman Benjie Wimberly (D), David Jimenez (R), Ilia Villanueva (R)

DISTRICT 36

Assemblyman Gary Schaer (D), Assemblywoman Marlene Caride (D), Forrest Elliot, Jr. (R), James Lenoy (R)

DISTRICT 37

Assemblywoman Valerie Vainieri Huttle (D), Assemblyman Gordon Johnson (D), Gino Tessaro (R), Joseph Fiscella (R)

DISTRICT 38

Assemblyman Tim Eustace (D), Assemblyman Joe Lagana (D), Mark DiPisa (R)

DISTRICT 39

Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi (R), Assemblyman Bob Auth (R), Mayor Jeffrey Goldsmith (D), John DeRienzo (D)

DISTRICT 40

Assemblyman Scott Rumana (R), Assemblyman David Russo (R), Paul Vagianos (D), Christine Ordway (D)

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2015 CANDIDATE SURVEY QUESTIONS

Every year, NJGCA sends out a survey to the prospective candidates for office. This year, almost 50% of the candidates, both incumbents and challengers, responded to the NJGCA Candidate Survey. This shows just how seriously candidates are taking this election and how important the votes of the small business community are. Below are the exact questions asked of every candidate, followed by a chart showing their responses. In some cases, candidates wrote in special notes clarifying their answers. Those answers are shown with a footnote on the chart and are explained below.

1. New Jersey will soon be the only state in the nation to legally prohibit motorists from pumping their own gas. This prohibition drives up the cost of gasoline and presents an inconvenience to those who want the option of pumping their own gas. **Would you support a bill that allowed New Jersey motorists to pump their own gas if they choose?**

2. For over a decade major car manufacturers have denied small independent facilities the codes necessary to repair modern computer-integrated vehicles. The goal of the Right to Repair movement is to ensure car owners and independent repairers have access at a fair market price to purchase the same diagnostic and repair information and diagnostic scan tools that manufacturers provide to their franchise car dealerships. "Right to Repair" legislation would provide for an even playing field and allow consumers the ability to choose when, where, and how their car is repaired. In 2014, Massachusetts enacted Right to Repair on a state level for passenger and heavy duty vehicles. **Would you support a Right to Repair bill in New Jersey identical to what is already law in Massachusetts?**

3. **Do you support a statewide ban on 19 and 20 year old adults being sold tobacco products?**

4. **Do you believe that every business in New Jersey should be mandated to provide every employee with paid time off if they claim to be sick or if they claim a family member is sick?**

5. With the Transportation Trust Fund running out of money, some have proposed funding the TTF by extending the state's 7% sales tax to purchases of motor fuel. This would effectively raise taxes by as much as 25¢ a gallon. When gas prices rise motorists would get hit with a tax hike and when gas prices go down the State would see huge deficits, on top of the tens of millions it would pay in administrative costs. Requiring every individual gas station to collect huge sums in sales tax revenue (all current motor fuel taxes are collected at the refinery) would also be a regulatory burden that in other states has led to cheating on a huge scale. **Do you support extending the sales tax to purchases of motor fuel?**

6. **Would you support either an increase in the state's excise tax on fuel (10.5¢ a gallon for gas and 14.5¢ for diesel) or the petroleum gross receipts tax (4¢ a gallon) if the funds were constitutionally dedicated to the Transportation Trust Fund?**

7. Currently, in order to purchase lottery tickets, consumers must visit an authorized New Jersey Lottery vendor (typically a grocery store, convenience store, or similar retail business) to make their purchase. Some have proposed allowing the sale of lottery tickets over the internet. If customers can purchase lottery tickets online not only will retailers lose out on revenue from commissions, they will be less likely to walk into brick and mortar stores and spend money on higher margin items. **Would you support the implementation of online lottery?**

8. **Do you support an increase in taxes on cigarettes and/or other tobacco products?**

9. New Jersey is one of a handful of states to ban retailers, like convenience stores, from providing check-cashing as a service for their customers. **Would you support a bill that would allow businesses that are not dedicated check-cashers to offer this service?**

10. **Do you support the implementation of a tax on consumers for each plastic and/or paper disposable bag they receive while shopping?**

11. **Would you support reforming New Jersey's liquor license laws to make it easier for small retailers like convenience stores to sell beer and wine?**

12. A-3519 would require that the manufacture date of tires be posted at the point of sale and certain materials be given out when used tires are purchased, despite the fact that there is no evidence that there is anything inherently wrong with tires that have aged on the shelf. **This requirement would increase the burden on tire retailers without any real safety benefit. Would you support this bill?**

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2	R	*	Chris A Brown	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	?	No	?	No	No	?
2	R		Will Pauls	No	Yes	Yes	No	?	?	Yes	No	?	No	No	?
3	D	*	John Burzichelli	Yes[1]	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	?	Yes	No	?	No	Yes	?
3	R		Leroy Pierce	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	?	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
3	R		Sam Maccarone	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
4	D	*	Paul Moriarty	No	Yes	No[2]	?	?	?	?	No[2]	Yes	No	Yes	No
4	D	*	Gabriela Mosquera	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	?	No	No[2]	?	No	Yes	?
6	D	*	Lou Greenwald	?	Yes	?	Yes	?	?	?	?	?	No	Yes	?
6	D	*	Pamela Lampitt	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	?	?	?	?	No	Yes	?
9	R	*	Brian Rumpf	No	?	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
9	R	*	DiAnne Gove	No	?	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
10	R	*	David Wolfe	No	Yes	No	No	?	?	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
10	D		Valter Must	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	?	No
10	D		Kimberley Casten	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	?	No
11	R	*	Mary Pat Angelini	Yes [3]	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	?	No
12	R	*	Rob Clifton	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
12	R	*	Ron Dancer	Yes	?	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	?	No
13	R	*	Amy Handlin	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
14	R		David Jones	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
15	D	*	Reed Gusciora	Yes[4]	Yes	Yes	?	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	?	No
15	R		Anthony Giordano	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	?	No	Yes	No	Yes [5]	No
15	R		Peter Mendonez	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
17	D	*	Joe Daniels	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	?	?	No
18	D	*	Nancy Pinkin	?	Yes	No	Yes [6]	?	?	No	?	?	No	?	Yes
18	D	*	Patrick Diegnan	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
19	D	*	Craig Coughlin	No	Yes	?	?	?	?	No	No	No	No	No	No
19	R		Thomas Maras	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	?	?	?	No	Yes	No
21	R	*	Nancy Muñoz	?[7]	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	?	Yes	No	Yes	No
21	D		Jill Lazare	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
21	D		David Barnett	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
22	D	*	Jerry Green	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	?	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
23	R	*	Erik Peterson	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	?	No

Green indicates they agree with NJGCA's position, Red indicates they do not.

? Means they are unsure at this time

NJGCA has not scored #6 right or wrong

[1] Full-serve should remain an option

[2] Not at this time, perhaps in the future

[3] If it can be demonstrated to provide savings

[4] Still need full-service for the elderly and those with disabilities

[5] Only if present licenses do not lose their value

[6] I have concerns about the effect on businesses and supported holding the bill

[7] If my constituents support it, I will

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23	D		Mary Beth Maciag	No	Yes	Yes	Yes [8]	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
24	R	*	Parker Space	No	?	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
24	R		Gail Phoebus	Yes	?	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
25	R	*	Michael Patrick Carroll	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No [9]	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
25	R	*	Tony M. Bucco	Yes	Yes	No	No	No [10]	?	?	No	Yes	No	?	No
26	R	*	Jay Webber	RF	RF	RF	No	RF	RF	RF	No	RF	No	RF	RF
26	R	*	BettyLou DeCroce	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
27	D	*	John McKeon	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	?	No	?	No	Yes	No
27	D	*	Mila Jasey	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	?	No	?	No	Yes	No
29	R		Nicholas Campione	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
30	R	*	Dave Rible	?	No	No	No	?	?	No	No	Yes	No	?	?
30	R	*	Sean Kean	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
31	D		Angela McKnight	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
31	R		Matt Kopko	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	?
31	R		Herminio Mendoza	No	Yes	No	?	No	?	No	No	?	No	Yes	No
33	R		Garrett Simulcik	Yes	?	?	No [11]	No	?	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
34	R		John Traier	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
34	D	*	Tom Giblin	No	Yes	Yes	? [12]	No	Yes	?	?	?	No	Yes	No
34	D	*	Sheila Oliver	?	Yes	No	Yes	?	Yes	No	No	No	No	?	Yes
35	R		David Jimenez	?	Yes	?	?	No	No	?	?	?	No	Yes	No
36	R		Forrest Elliott	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
36	D	*	Gary Schaeer	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes [13]	No	Yes
36	D	*	Marlene Caride	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	?
37	D	*	Valerie Vainieri Huttle	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	?	?	No	Yes	?	No	?	?
38	R		Mark DiPisa	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
39	R	*	Holly Schepisi	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
40	R	*	Scott Rumana	? [14]	?	No	No	No	?	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
40	D		Paul Vagianos	Yes	Yes	No	?	No	No	?	Yes	Yes	Yes [15]	Yes	Yes
40	D		Christine Ordway	Yes	Yes	No	?	No	No	?	Yes	Yes	Yes [15]	Yes	Yes

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RF means they have a policy of refusing to answer surveys

[8] Employers should require employee's request for time off to be substantiated

[9] Not without substantial conditions

[10] Only as the absolute last option

[11] Would support some form, but nothing near the broad form of the current bill

[12] Not every business and not every employee

[13] Prefer to provide an incentive to discourage use

[14] Support a Referendum

[15] Support a fee-per-bag

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WHAT ISSUES DID LEGISLATORS VOTE ON?

We have only included those bills which came up for a vote this term (2014-2015).

REWARDS BILL (S-2434)

The culmination of a three year fight, this bill ensures that gas stations in the state of New Jersey cannot bear the cost of any rewards programs they offer. Rewards programs have exploded in popularity among the big oil companies, in part because in other states they can pass off most of the cost to their dealers. This is a benefit that will save virtually every branded station thousands of dollars every year. The primary sponsors of this bill in the Assembly were Asw. Celeste Riley (D-Cumberland) and Asm. Raj Mukherji (D-Hudson). This bill passed the Assembly on 2/23/15 by 70-0-2 and was signed into law by the Governor on 5/4/15. A **YES** vote supported NJGCA's position.

GENERATOR LOAN PROGRAM (A-1338)

This bill, which was originally drafted in the aftermath of Sandy, would allow any gas station within a certain radius of a major highway to receive a zero interest loan to install a generator quick-connect. The primary sponsors are Asw. Annette Quijano (D-Union) and Asm. Ralph Caputo (D-Essex). This bill passed the Assembly on 12/15/14 by 74-0-2. A **YES** vote supported NJGCA's position.

2014 CORPORATE TAX SURCHARGE (A-3484)

As a way to fund the FY 2015 Budget, this bill would have imposed a 15% surcharge on corporation business tax liabilities for one year (July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015). It would have increased taxes by about \$390 million. The primary sponsor was Asm. John Burzichelli (D-Gloucester). It passed the Assembly on 6/26/14 by 41-37-1. It was vetoed by Gov. Christie on 7/11/14. A **NO** vote supported NJGCA's position.

2015 CORPORATE TAX SURCHARGE (A-4603)

As a way to fund the FY 2016 Budget, it was once again attempted by the Legislature to impose a 15% surcharge on corporation business tax liabilities for one year (July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016). It would have increased taxes by about \$435 million. The primary sponsor was Asm. John Burzichelli (D-Gloucester). It passed the Assembly on 6/25/15 by 44-35. It was vetoed by Gov. Christie on 6/29/15. A **NO** vote supported NJGCA's position.

2014 "MILLIONAIRE'S TAX" (A-3485)

As a way to fund the FY 2015 Budget, this bill would have increased the tax rate on income over \$1 million from 8.97% to 10.75% for a three year period. It would have increased taxes by over \$500 million a year. The primary sponsors were Speaker Vincent Prieto (D-Hudson) and Majority Leader Lou Greenwald (D-Camden). It passed the Assembly on 6/26/14 by 48-31. It was vetoed by Gov. Christie on 7/11/14. A **NO** vote supported NJGCA's position.

2015 "MILLIONAIRE'S TAX" (A-4602)

As a way to fund the FY 2016 Budget, it was once again attempted by the Legislature to increase the tax rate on income over \$1 million from 8.97% to 10.75%, this time for a four year period. It would have increased taxes by over \$500 million a year. The primary sponsors were Speaker Vincent Prieto (D-Hudson) and Majority Leader Lou Greenwald (D-Camden). It passed the Assembly on 6/25/15 by 47-31-1. It was vetoed by Gov. Christie on 6/29/15. A **NO** vote supported NJGCA's position.

ACCESS TO VEHICLE DATA RECORDER INFO (A-3579)

More vehicles are coming equipped with technology that records various types of information about the status of the car and how it is being used. This bill was aimed at protecting the privacy of motorists from big corporations and also wrote into law the right of vehicle owners to allow repairers to access this data with their permission. The primary sponsors were Asms. Paul Moriarty (D-Gloucester), Dan Benson (D-Mercer), Declan O'Scanlon (R-Monmouth), and Asw. Holly Schepisi (R-Bergen). It passed the Assembly on 3/26/15 by 73-0 and was signed by the Governor on 5/11/15. A **YES** vote supported NJGCA's position.

BAN ON COUNTERFEIT AIRBAGS (S-2174)

This bill would have changed NJ law to ban the manufacture, sale, or installation of counterfeit airbags. The price difference between counterfeit airbags and authentic ones can be over a thousand dollars. Some disreputable individuals have been known to install counterfeit airbags in a customer's vehicles and then bill the insurance company for an authentic airbag. Not only is this extremely dangerous for the motorist, and not only does it risk hurting the reputation of the entire industry, but it also gives the perpetrators a competitive advantage over honest businesses. It was primarily sponsored by Asws. Annette Quijano (D-Union), Nancy Pinkin (D-Middlesex), and Asm. Charles Mainor (D-Hudson). It passed the Assembly on 6/25/15 by 76-0. A **YES** vote supported NJGCA's position.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION COLA INCREASES (S-929)

This bill would provide cost of living adjustments (COLA) for cases dating back to 1980. The cost will be paid for by increasing the annual surcharge private businesses pay to the Second Injury Fund. It was primarily sponsored by Asms. John Burzichelli (D-Gloucester), Paul Moriarty (D-Gloucester), and Asw. Celeste Riley (D-Cumberland). It passed the Assembly on 6/25/15 by 43-31-2. A **NO** vote supported NJGCA's position.

"UNFAIR WAGE RECOVERY ACT" (S-783)

While the goal of this bill, to ensure equal pay for equal work regardless of gender, is admirable, the language of this bill will open employers up to serious liabilities. It eliminates the 2 year statute of limitations for compensation discrimination claims, putting certain employers at risk for decades of back wages. Employers could be forced to defend against claims of discrimination from decades ago. The primary sponsors were Asws. Pamela Lampitt (D-Camden), Gabriela Mosquera (D-Gloucester), Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-Mercer), and Asm. Carmelo Garcia (D-Hudson). It passed the Assembly on 6/16/14 by 49-26-3 and was vetoed by Gov. Christie on 8/11/14. A **NO** vote supported NJGCA's position.

GIFT CARD FIX (S-2235)

This bill repeals a law passed in 2010 that would have gone into effect in 2016. It would have required every retailer who sells gift cards to collect a zip code from every customer who purchases a gift card, and then provide those records to the State. It was primarily sponsored by Asms. Patrick Diegnan (D-Middlesex), Raj Mukherji (D-Hudson), and Paul Moriarty (D-Gloucester). It passed the Assembly on 12/18/14 by 73-1 and was signed into law by the Governor on 2/5/15. A **YES** vote supported NJGCA's position.

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1	Bob	Andrzejczak	D	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
1	Sam	Fiocchi	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
2	Chris	Brown	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2	Vince	Mazzeo	D	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abs	Yes	Yes	
3	John	Burzichelli	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
3	Adam	Taliaferro	D	Yes	*	*	Yes	*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	*
4	Paul	Moriarty	D	Yes	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
4	Gabriela	Mosquera	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
6	Lou	Greenwald	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
6	Pamela	Lampitt	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
7	Herb	Conaway	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
7	Troy	Singleton	D	Yes	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abs	Yes	Yes	Yes
8	Maria	Rodriguez-Gregg	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Abs	Yes
9	DiAnne	Gove	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
9	Brian	Rumpf	R	Yes	NV	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	NV
10	Greg	McGuckin	R	Abs	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
10	Dave	Wolfe	R	NV	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	NV	No	No	Yes
11	Mary Pat	Angelini	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	NV	Yes	No	No	Yes
11	Caroline	Casagrande	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
12	Rob	Clifton	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
12	Ron	Dancer	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Abs	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
13	Amy	Handlin	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
13	Declan	O'Scanlon	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	NV	NV
14	Dan	Benson	D	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
14	Wayne	DeAngelo	D	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
15	Reed	Gusciora	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
15	Elizabeth	Muio	D	Yes	*	*	Yes	*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	*
16	Jack	Ciattarelli	R	Yes	Abs	NV	No	NV	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
16	Donna	Simon	R	Abs	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
17	Joe	Danielsen	D	Yes	Yes	*	Yes	*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Yes
17	Joe	Egan	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV	Yes	NV	Yes	NV	NV	Yes	Yes
18	Patrick	Diegnan	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
18	Nancy	Pinkin	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
19	Craig	Coughlin	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
19	John	Wisniewski	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
20	Jamel	Holley	D	Yes	*	*	Yes	*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	*
20	Annette	Quijano	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
21	Jon	Bramnick	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
21	Nancy	Munoz	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
22	Jerry	Green	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
23	John	DiMaio	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes

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24	Parker	Space	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
25	Anthony	Bucco	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
25	Michael Patrick	Carroll	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
26	BettyLou	DeCroce	R	Yes	Abs	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
26	Jay	Webber	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
27	Mila	Jasey	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
27	John	McKeon	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
28	Ralph	Caputo	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
28	Cleopatra	Tucker	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
29	Eliana	Pintor Marin	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
29	Grace	Spencer	D	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes
30	Sean	Kean	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
30	Dave	Rible	R	NV	NV	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	NV	No	NV
30	Angelica	Jimenez	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
32	Vincent	Prieto	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
33	Raj	Mukherji	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
34	Tom	Giblin	D	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV
34	Sheila	Oliver	D	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
35	Shavonda	Sumter	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
35	Benjie	Wimberly	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV	Yes
36	Marlene	Caride	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Abs	Yes	Yes
36	Gary	Schaer	D	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
37	Gordon	Johnson	D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
37	Valerie	Vainieri Huttle	D	Yes	Yes	Abs	Yes	Yes	Yes	NV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
38	Tim	Eustace	D	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
38	Joe	Lagana	D	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
39	Bob	Auth	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Abs	Yes
39	Holly	Schepisi	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	NV	NV	Abs	Yes
40	Scott	Rumana	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	NV	No	NV
40	David	Russo	R	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes

Notes:

- Green** indicates a vote in support of NJGCA's position
- Red** indicates a vote opposed to NJGCA's position
- Abs** indicates the member was present but abstained from voting on the issue
- NV** indicates the member was not present for the vote
- *** indicates the member was not yet a part of the Assembly when the vote occurred



COMMITTEE VOTES

These important bills were voted on in Committee but have not yet been voted on by the full Assembly. NJGCA members should be aware of how their legislators voted on these important issues when given the chance, and so we have included them below. We have only included the votes of legislators who are running for reelection.

RIGHT TO REPAIR

On March 16, 2015 the Assembly Consumer Affairs Committee held a hearing on NJGCA's effort to enshrine Right to Repair into state law. While Right to Repair was granted as a result of a national Memorandum of Understanding, heavy duty vehicles had been left out despite being granted these protections in Massachusetts. NJGCA's bill, A-230, would have accomplished two goals: to extend Right to Repair to heavy duty and to enshrine those protections into law. A **YES** vote supported NJGCA's position.

Assembly Consumer Affairs Committee			
Name	LD	Party	Vote
Paul Moriarty (Chair)	4	D	Yes
Patrick Diegnan (Vice-Chair)	18	D	Yes
Sean Kean	30	R	No

MANDATORY PAID "SICK" LEAVE

This bill would require every business in NJ to provide every employee with paid time off if they claim they are sick or if any of their family members (including grandparents and in-laws) are sick. There is no requirement that the employer be given any advance notice and the employer cannot require the absent employee to find someone to cover their shift. Employers must carry forward unused PTO into the next year. It also opens up employees to greater litigation, if for example, an employee claims that the reason they did not receive a promotion or a raise or more shift hours is punishment for taking their time off, they will be able to file a suit. This controversial issue was voted on by both the Assembly Labor Committee and the Assembly Budget Committee. A **NO** vote supported NJGCA's position.

Assembly Labor Committee			
Name	LD	Party	Vote
Joe Egan (Chair)	17	D	Yes
Shavonda Sumter (Vice-Chair)	35	D	Yes
Craig Coughlin	19	D	Yes
Ron Dancer	12	R	No
Raj Mukherji	33	D	Yes
Annette Quijano	20	D	Yes
Parker Space	24	R	No
Jay Webber	26	R	No

Assembly Budget Committee			
Name	LD	Party	Vote
Gary Schaer (Chair)	36	D	Yes
John Burzichelli (Vice-Chair)	3	D	Yes
Anthony Bucco	25	R	No
Gordon Johnson	37	D	Yes
Raj Mukherji	33	D	Yes
Declan O'Scanlon	13	R	No
Eliana Pintor Marin	29	D	Yes
Troy Singleton	7	D	NV
Jay Webber	26	R	No
Benjie Wimberly	35	D	Yes

Assembly Transportation Committee			
Name	LD	Party	Vote
John Wisniewski (Chair)	19	D	Yes
Marlene Caride	36	D	Yes
Rob Clifton	12	R	No
BettyLou DeCroce	26	R	Abs
Joe Lagana	38	D	Yes
Nancy Pinkin	18	D	Yes
Eliana Pintor Marin	29	D	Yes
Scott Rumana	40	R	No
Brian Rumpf	9	R	No
Valerie Vainieri Huttel	37	D	Yes

REGULATIONS FOR UBER VEHICLES

A-3765 is a comprehensive bill aimed at regulating the "transportation network company" (TNC) industry. The most well known TNC is Uber, which is projected to have 13,000 vehicles in this state by the end of 2015. Regular licensed drivers can sign up with one of these companies and use their own vehicle to transport customers for a fare. Though they are very similar to taxis and limos, they do not have to comply with any of the special regulations these businesses do. This bill dealt with a number of issues to regulate TNC vehicles. The one most important to NJGCA members was the requirement that these vehicles undergo a safety inspection every two years. Since these are personal vehicles, they currently do not undergo any safety inspections. A **YES** vote supported NJGCA's position.



COMMITTEE VOTES (CONTINUED)

MUNICIPAL MINIMUM WAGES

This bill would have allowed each of New Jersey's 565 municipalities to set their own minimum wage, as long as that wage was greater than the statewide minimum. One business could be forced to pay his gas pumpers \$15 an hour while his competitor half a mile down the road might be paying them the state minimum of \$8.38 an hour. A NO vote supported NJGCA's position.

Assembly Labor Committee			
Name	LD	Party	Vote
Joe Egan (Chair)	17	D	Yes
Shavonda Sumter (Vice-Chair)	35	D	Yes
Craig Coughlin	19	D	Yes
Ron Dancer	12	R	No
Raj Mukherji	33	D	Yes
Annette Quijano	20	D	Yes
Parker Space	24	R	No
Jay Webber	26	R	No

RETIREMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

NJGCA wishes to say farewell to all those legislators we have worked with who recently retired, are retiring at the end of this Legislative session, or were elected to new positions. We wish them all good luck in their future endeavors and thank them for their public service.

Assemblywoman Celeste Riley (D-Cumberland), 2009-2015

Senator Donald Norcross (D-Camden), 2010-2014

Assemblyman Angel Fuentes (D-Camden), 2010-2015

Assemblyman Gilbert "Whip" Wilson (D-Camden), 2010-2016

Assemblyman Chris J. Brown (R-Burlington), 2012-2016

Assemblywoman Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-Mercer), 1998-2015

Assemblyman Upendra Chivukula (D-Somerset), 2002-2014

Assemblyman Joe Cryan (D-Union), 2002-2015

Assemblywoman Linda Stender (D-Union), 2002-2016

Assemblywoman Alison Littell McHose (R-Sussex), 2003-2016

Assemblyman Charles Mainor (D-Hudson), 2010-2016

Assemblyman Jason O'Donnell (D-Hudson), 2010-2016

Assemblyman Carmelo Garcia (D-Hudson), 2014-2016

SPONSOR SHOUT-OUTS

NJGCA would like to give special praise to a few legislators who have gone the extra mile for your business and sponsored some of our most important pieces of legislation in the Assembly in the last two years.

RIGHT TO REPAIR (A-230)

Assemblymen Reed Gusciora (D-Mercer) & Paul Moriarty (D-Gloucester)

REWARDS BILL (A-1985)

Assemblymen Raj Mukherji (D-Hudson) & Patrick Diegnan (D-Middlesex)

SELF-SERVE LEGALIZATION

Assemblymen Declan O'Scanlon (R-Monmouth) & Michael Patrick Carroll (R-Morris)

CREDIT CARD REFORM BILL (A-651)

Assemblymen Paul Moriarty (D-Gloucester) & Patrick Diegnan (D-Middlesex)



NJGCA has seen many legislative successes over the past few years. We'd like to take some time to tell you a little bit about the men and women who have been instrumental in helping your small business prosper.



Senator Paul Sarlo

Sen. Sarlo has served in the state Senate since 2003. In addition to being a Senator, he has served as Mayor of Wood-Ridge since 2000. He represents the 36th legislative district, consisting of 14 towns in southern Bergen County as well as the city of Passaic. A Democrat, he was reelected in 2013 by a twenty point margin.

Sen. Sarlo is the Chairman of the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee, the most important and influential Committee in the state Senate. Most of the big issues our state faces have to pass before his Committee at some point or another. He also serves on the Judiciary Committee and the Higher Education Committee.

On top of all his commitments in public service, he also works as the CEO of Joseph M. Sanzari, Inc., one of the most successful construction firms in the state. This position means he knows what it takes to keep a business in the black, which is a perspective that is always appreciated in a legislator.

He has been the sponsor of over 200 bills which have become law. He was the prime sponsor of the bill signed into law a few months ago which ensures that retailers selling gift cards will not be required to collect zip codes from every customer, which was scheduled to start in 2016. In the last session he was also a sponsor of our bill to end zone pricing.

Most importantly to gas retailers, this May he took the initiative and introduced the NJGCA supported bill to allow stations, if they choose, to start offering self-serve gas to their customers. NJGCA endorsed self-serve after a vote of our membership showed approximately 77% of member stations supported a change in the law to allow self-serve. While many politicians are only interested in pursuing policies that are politically popular, Sen. Sarlo's eagerness to start the conversation on self-serve shows that he is a political figure more interested in pursuing good public policy than immediate, short term political gain.

It must also be noted that Senator Sarlo was a prime sponsor in 2009 of the historic legislation that was pushed by NJGCA to mandate a "Right of First Refusal" to gasoline dealers whenever their franchisor landlord offered their property for sale to a third party distributor. This legislation enabled the owners of almost 200 Exxon stations and 50 Shell stations to purchase the land that their businesses occupied.

NJGCA thanks Senator Sarlo for all his support for the small business owners of this state. We look forward to continuing to work with him on self-serve legalization and a multitude of other issues facing small businesses for years to come.

Legislative Update: Self-Serve

NJGCA is continuing to work hard behind the scenes to build up the case for self-serve legalization. Some legislators we have met with are surprisingly enthusiastic about the bill; others are expectedly skeptical or outright hostile. Almost all of the opponents we have spoken with though have stated to us that the main basis for their opposition is the public's opposition and not their own. They have said that if public opinion was to shift and the majority of New Jerseyans were to favor allowing the option of self-serve, then they would be willing to vote for it themselves. NJGCA is working to formulate plans to start (and win) a public debate on the issue, though doing so will not only be time consuming but expensive. We will likely need your active support in the near future. As we said when this issue first began, expect this to be a lengthy battle and a hard slog, but we are confident that over time we will eventually win out.



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NJDEP Underground Storage Tanks Newly Proposed Rules still in adoption phase

By Debbie Hill

On Friday, September 25th I attended the Petroleum Equipment Contractors Association (PECA) meeting regarding the “proposed” new Underground Storage Tank Rules. The proposed rules are due to be adopted in October of 2015.

John Olko from NJDEP Hazardous Waste/UST Compliance and Enforcement gave an overview of the “proposed rules” and implementation of the new rules within three years from the time the new rules are adopted. NJGCA has provided a summary of the information: You can find the proposed rules at: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/rules/>

NEW JERSEY OPERATOR TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

What is Operator Training? Operator training is a 3-tiered training program for the operation of Underground Storage Tanks (USTs). The training is required by federal and state law, and is intended to ensure that those who own and operate USTs understand how to operate and maintain the UST systems properly.

NJ has developed training for all operators at each class. The classes are defined as follows:

Class A – Owner

Class B – Manager

Class C – Service Attendant/Cashier

TRAINING FOR CLASS A AND CLASS B OPERATORS WILL INCLUDE:

General Knowledge and Purpose of:

Spill and Overfill Protection

Corrosion Protection

Product and Equipment compatibility

Notification and storage tank registration

Related reporting and record keeping

Training for Class B and Class C operators

Release Detection

Emergency Response

Financial Responsibility

Temporary and permanent closure

Environmental and regulatory consequences of releases

****Class A and Class B operators shall be required to pass a proficiency examination relative to the subject requirements listed above.**

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REGISTRATIONS:

NJDEP said that the number one problem associated with the program is UST Registrations with incorrect information -- wrong owner, wrong contact information, and expired registrations. **Currently, UST registrations are issued for three (3) years. NJDEP will be adopting an annual registration.** The fee for this license will not change. Currently, it is \$150 for three years. The proposed fee will be \$50/year for each annual registration.

When you submit your renewal UST Registration make sure you include a copy of the UST Tank Insurance Policy. Here is a list of counties that just renewed their UST registration or are due to renew:

UST REGISTRATION RENEWALS

Union county renewed: June 2015

Hunterdon & Somerset County renewed: September 2015

Gloucester & Monmouth Due to renew: December 2015

Burlington & Mercer Due to renew: March 2016

WALK-THROUGH UST INSPECTIONS:

Annual walk-through inspections will be required for your ENTIRE UST system.

This will include:

- Spill Prevention
- Release Detection Equipment
- Containment Sumps/Buckets Fill Ports and under dispensers
- Hand Held Release Detection Equipment (Gauge Stick)

SECONDARY CONTAINMENT AND INTERSTITIAL MONITORING:

New Requirements include:

- Owners and operators must install secondary containment and interstitial monitoring for all *new and replaced tanks and piping.
- Owners and operators shall install under-dispenser containment for *new dispenser systems.

Implementation 180 days.

NEW TEST REQUIREMENT:

Spill Buckets: NJDEP will add spill prevention equipment testing requirements. Owners and operators will test at least every three years for liquid tightness test OR use double wall spill bucket with periodic interstitial monitoring.

Overfill Protection: Prevention equipment such as Overfill Protection will have to be visually inspected and tested to be sure equipment is set to activate at the appropriate level in the tank and will activate when regulated substance reaches that height.

Piping Interstitial Monitoring: Containment Sumps used for piping interstitial monitoring – owners and operators test every three years for liquid tightness or use double – walled containment sump with periodic interstitial monitoring.

Release Detection: Testing requirement for Owner/Operators annually to ensure release detection equipment is operating properly.

BALL FLOATS: Ball Floats will be eliminated as an option for overfill protection for newly installed UST Systems and when flow restrictors in vent lines are replaced. **Implementation Immediate.**

UST INTERNAL LINING: USTs using internal lining as the sole method of corrosion protection must be permanently closed if using the internal lining as the sole method of corrosion protection and the internal line fails the periodic inspection and cannot be repaired to code of practice. **Implementation Immediate.**

NEW REQUIREMENT: Owners and operators must notify the NJDEP within 30 days of UST system ownership change or bringing UST system into use.

COMPATIBILITY: Owners and operators must use UST Systems made of (or) lined with materials that are compatible with the substance stored in the UST System. **Implementation Immediate.**



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