YOUR MONTHLY UPDATE FROM TRENTON



FOR NEW JERSEY'S THIRD LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

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COVID-19: Public Health Crisis

Senate President Steve Sweeney, Deputy Speaker John Burzichelli, and Assemblyman Adam Taliaferro continue to closely monitor developments with the coronavirus outbreak, now gripping New Jersey.

Since the beginning of this public health emergency, the Third District legislators have worked tirelessly to identify resources to help ensure patients, vulnerable individuals, health care professionals and caregivers have access to the tools they need to fight this unprecedented virus.

In addition, Senator Sweeney announced a <u>series of actions</u> to help those financially affected by the outbreak. Senator Sweeney swiftly led a sweeping, bipartisan effort to pass more than two dozen pieces of <u>legislation</u> to help the state now and in the months ahead.

Senate President Sweeney, Deputy Speaker Burzichelli, and Assemblyman Taliaferro continue to work diligently with their partners on all levels of government to ensure constituents of the Third Legislative District and the State of New Jersey are informed and prepared for the impact of the coronavirus.

Coronavirus-Related Content

- ➤ Senate President Sweeney co-authors a <u>message</u> published in the Asbury Park Press on the response to the coronavirus in New Jersey
- Sweeney <u>initiative</u> expanding New Jersey's paid family leave program signed into law
- ► Sweeney calls for two-month <u>moratorium</u> on mortgage, loan and utility payments during economic lockdown
- ► Sweeney calls for the <u>suspension</u> of cancellation fees for subscription—based billing
- ▶ Burzichelli legislation advances to allow <u>virtual and remote learning</u> to meet the 180-day instruction requirement for schools in New Jersey, in cases of extended emergency school closures

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information

Learn what precautions you can take about the Coronavirus

Call the NJ Coronavirus & Poison Center Hotline at 1-800-222-1222 or 1-800-962-1253 if using out-of-state phone line

Trained healthcare professionals are standing by to answer your call 24/7 OR visit nj.gov/health

NOTE: Our Third District Legislative offices remain available to assist you by phone or email during the COVID-19 outbreak.



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Coronavirus Resources



- ⇒ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) - click here
- ⇒ New Jersey Department of Health - click <u>here</u>
- ⇒ New Jersey Hotlines and Helplines - click <u>here</u>
- ⇒ New Jersey 2-1-1 click <u>here</u>
- ⇒ Unemployment insurance click <u>here</u>
- ⇒ Temporary disability insurance click here
- ⇒ Family Leave Insurance click here
- ⇒ Workers Compensation click here
- ⇒ Resources for New Jersey businesses affected by the coronavirus - click here
- ⇒ U.S. Small Business Administration Disaster loan portal - click <u>here</u>

Other Legislative News & Notes

- ◆ Sweeney landmark legislation to implement a new health benefits plan designed to produce more than \$1 billion in annual savings for property taxpayers and educators advances
- Sweeney <u>bill</u> to fund raise for direct care workers advances
- ◆ Taliaferro <u>legislation</u> to bridge the 'digital divide' for students without access to computers gets full Legislative approval

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