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Dear Members of the New Jersey State Assembly:

Re: Please Support

A-3205 which revises The Transportation Trust Fund & A-2966 which revises the Solar Renewable Energy Program & A-2143 the "New Jersey Hospital Disclosure and Public Resource Protection Act"

The New Jersey State AFL-CIO respectfully asks for your support of the above three referenced bills.

A-3205 (Wisniewski / Giblin) makes changes necessary to support the State's Capital Transportation Program for FY 2012-2016. This legislation will help ensure funding for vital infrastructure projects and will also provide much needed jobs in the construction industry during this period of painfully high unemployment.

A-2966 (Chivukula / McKeon) is crucial to strengthening the solar sector in New Jersey, which is a growing and vital segment of our state's economy. The bill will help stabilize the solar market in New Jersey and will continue to create jobs and promote green energy.

Finally, we ask for your support of "New Jersey Hospital Disclosure and Public Resource Protection Act:" (A-2143: Wagner / Huttle / Ramos / Riley) The bill requires that for-profit hospitals make the same public financial disclosures as not-for-profit hospitals. As the number of for-profit hospitals in our state continues to increase, this type of legislation that seeks to promote transparency and accountability is extremely important.

Thank you for your consideration and we ask for your support of these three bills.

Sincerely,

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