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**THE FOLLOWING BILLS WERE ENACTED AS THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 2010:**

**Chapter 4                      S-921                      4/22/2010**

Exempts solar panels from impervious surface or impervious coverage designation.

**Chapter 7                      A-602                      5/5/2010**

Authorizes any municipality outside Highlands Region to establish receiving zones for Highlands transfer of development rights program.

**Chapter 9                      S-82                      5/5/2010**

Modifies development applications process under the "Municipal Land Use Law".

**Chapter 14                      S-828                      5/6/2010**

Extends time period for renewal of lapsed alcoholic beverage retail license.

**A = Approved By the League**

**O = Opposed By the League**

BILL NO. AND SPONSOR	BILL SUMMARY	CURRENT STATUS	LEAGUE POSITION
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A-2160</b></p> <p>Munoz, Nancy F.</p>	<p>Increases and indexes maximum homestead property tax deduction under gross income tax.</p>	<p>Assembly Appropriations Committee</p>	<b>A</b>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A-2370</b></p> <p>O'Scanlon, Declan J., Jr.</p>	<p>Repeals law requiring prevailing wage be paid to workers employed in construction undertaken with Board of Public Utilities financial assistance.</p>	<p>Assembly Labor Committee</p>	<b>A</b>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A-2526</b></p> <p>Casagrande, Caroline</p>	<p>Requires posting on State and local government websites information concerning assignment and use of vehicles.</p> <p><i>Onerous unfunded mandate. Especially during a time of personnel cuts.</i></p>	<p>Assembly State Government Committee</p>	<b>O</b>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>A-2555</b></p> <p>DiMaio, John</p>	<p>Permits free municipal library funding to be based on actual requirements instead of fixed statutory tax rate.</p>	<p>Assembly Housing and Local Government Committee</p>	<b>A</b>

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<b>A-2556</b> DiCicco, Domenick, Jr.	Prohibits dual elective office holding and holding of elective office and public office or position. <i>Limits the rights of the electorate.</i>	Assembly State Government Committee	<b>O</b>
<b>A-2557</b> DiCicco, Domenick, Jr.	Makes various changes to "Uniform Recall Election Law." <i>Elections should have consequences and these changes appear arbitrary.</i>	Assembly State Government Committee	<b>O</b>
<b>A-2579</b> Coughlin, Craig J.	Requires Division of Taxation to regularly provide certain information to municipalities concerning hotel occupancy taxes. <i>Bill also permits the municipality to charge 5% interest on unpaid occupancy taxes as well as place a municipal lien on the property.</i>	Assembly Housing and Local Government Committee	<b>A</b>
<b>A-2582</b> Moriarty, Paul D. Albano, Nelson T. Burzichelli, John J.	Authorizes hiring preference for veterans in non-civil service jurisdictions.	Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee	<b>A</b>
<b>A-2614</b> DiMaio, John	Repeals law allowing PERS member to retire with PERS pension and continue to receive salary for current PERS-covered elective office. <i>Elected officials would not be able to receive a salary for a position covered by PERS. Many retired residents may choose not to run as a result.</i>	Proposed for introduction	<b>O</b>
<b>A-2619</b> O'Scanlon, Declan J., Jr. Bramnick, Jon M.	Revises process for the awarding of certain local public contracts. <i>We appreciate the sponsor's intent; however, the proposed bill could lead to legal challenges.</i>	Proposed for introduction	<b>O</b>
<b>AR-57</b> Munoz, Nancy F.	Constitutes Assembly Budget Committee as special committee to investigate management of the "Special Municipal Aid Act" State aid program by DCA; grants committee subpoena power. <i>The bill has the potential to make it a very political process.</i>	Assembly Budget Committee	<b>O</b>
<b>S-1466</b> Doherty, Michael J.	Provides one-third of motor vehicle fine moneys generated through State Police issued tickets go to municipality where violation occurred.	Senate Transportation Committee	<b>A</b>
<b>S-1504</b> Van Drew, Jeff	Provides immunity to law enforcement officers who, in good faith, release driver in violation of provisional driver's license law.	Senate Law and Public Safety Committee	<b>A</b>

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<p><b>S-1595</b> Rice, Ronald L.</p>	<p>Requires mandatory audit of new voter registration records before an election and of absentee and provisional ballots after an election in randomly selected districts.</p> <p><i>Duplicates services already done by the Attorney General.</i></p>	<p>Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism &amp; Historic Preservation Committee</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>
<p><b>S-1596</b> Rice, Ronald L.</p>	<p>Requires excuse for voting by mail-in ballot.</p> <p><i>Adds an additional and unnecessary burden.</i></p>	<p>Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism &amp; Historic Preservation Committee</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>
<p><b>S-1655</b> Turner, Shirley K.</p>	<p>Changes date for election of fire commissioners from third Saturday in February to day of primary election.</p> <p><i>Would create voting problems since fire commissions are non partisan elections.</i></p>	<p>Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism &amp; Historic Preservation Committee</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>
<p><b>S-1647</b> Kean, Sean T.</p>	<p>Authorizes local law enforcement agencies to hire laid-off Department of the Army police officers without utilizing certain Civil Service lists.</p>	<p>Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism &amp; Historic Preservation Committee</p>	<p><b>A</b></p>
<p><b>S-1661</b> Turner, Shirley K.</p>	<p>Requires candidates for school board member and local elective office to file financial disclosure statement on or before 10th day following deadline for filing nominating petitions for that office.</p>	<p>Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism &amp; Historic Preservation Committee</p>	<p><b>A</b></p>
<p><b>S-1704</b> Turner, Shirley K.</p>	<p>Permits voter registration up to 14 days before election.</p> <p><i>Would place too high a burden on clerks to get voters rolls together in time.</i></p>	<p>Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism &amp; Historic Preservation Committee</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>
<p><b>S-1738</b> Stack, Brian P. Singer, Robert W.</p>	<p>Allows appointment of certain municipal officers and employees to municipal library board of trustees.</p>	<p>Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee</p>	<p><b>A</b></p>

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<p><b>S-1822</b> Stack, Brian P.</p>	<p>Subjects county and municipal sewerage authority service rate increases to approval by Board of Public Utilities.</p> <p><i>Oversight should be done by the governing body, not the BPU.</i></p>	<p>Senate Economic Growth Committee</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>
<p><b>S-1876</b> Beach, James</p>	<p>Changes fire district election date from third Saturday in February to third Tuesday in April, the annual election day in type II school districts.</p> <p><i>Would create budgetary problems for fire districts.</i></p>	<p>Proposed for introduction</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>
<p><b>S-1878</b> Rice, Ronald L.</p>	<p>Enhances disclosure and oversight of certain local unit salary actions.</p> <p><i>Would burden the entire State due to perceived issues in only a few towns.</i></p>	<p>Proposed for introduction</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>
<p><b>S-1888</b> Bateman, Christopher</p>	<p>Requires Director of Division of Local Government Services, in consultation with State Comptroller, to promulgate rules and regulations concerning best practices in public contracts.</p> <p><i>The best practices outline in the bill already exist in LPCL rules and regulations.</i></p>	<p>Proposed for introduction</p>	<p><b>O</b></p>

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