



## NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

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*Executive Director*

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Honorable Chris Christie  
Governor, State of New Jersey  
P.O. Box 001  
State House  
Trenton, NJ 08625

**RE: S-763/A-2078** (*Sweeney*)(*Cryan*)

Dear Governor Christie:

On behalf of the New Jersey Association of Counties (NJAC), I am pleased to inform you of NJAC's support of S-763/ A-2078, which would authorize the directors of boards of chosen freeholders to exercise veto powers over the proposed actions of county authorities.

As you know, this legislation enjoyed bi-partisan support in both house of the Legislature as it will provide county governments with an additional resource to manage taxpayer dollars in a more effective and efficient manner. Importantly, this legislation will provide the non-optional charter counties with the same veto powers granted to the county executives in only five of our counties (*Atlantic, Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Mercer*).

With this in mind, NJAC respectfully requests that you sign this important and timely piece of legislation into law. As always, thank you for your time and consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely yours,

Celeste Carpiano  
Executive Director

cc: Honorable Stephen M. Sweeney  
Honorable Joseph Cryan