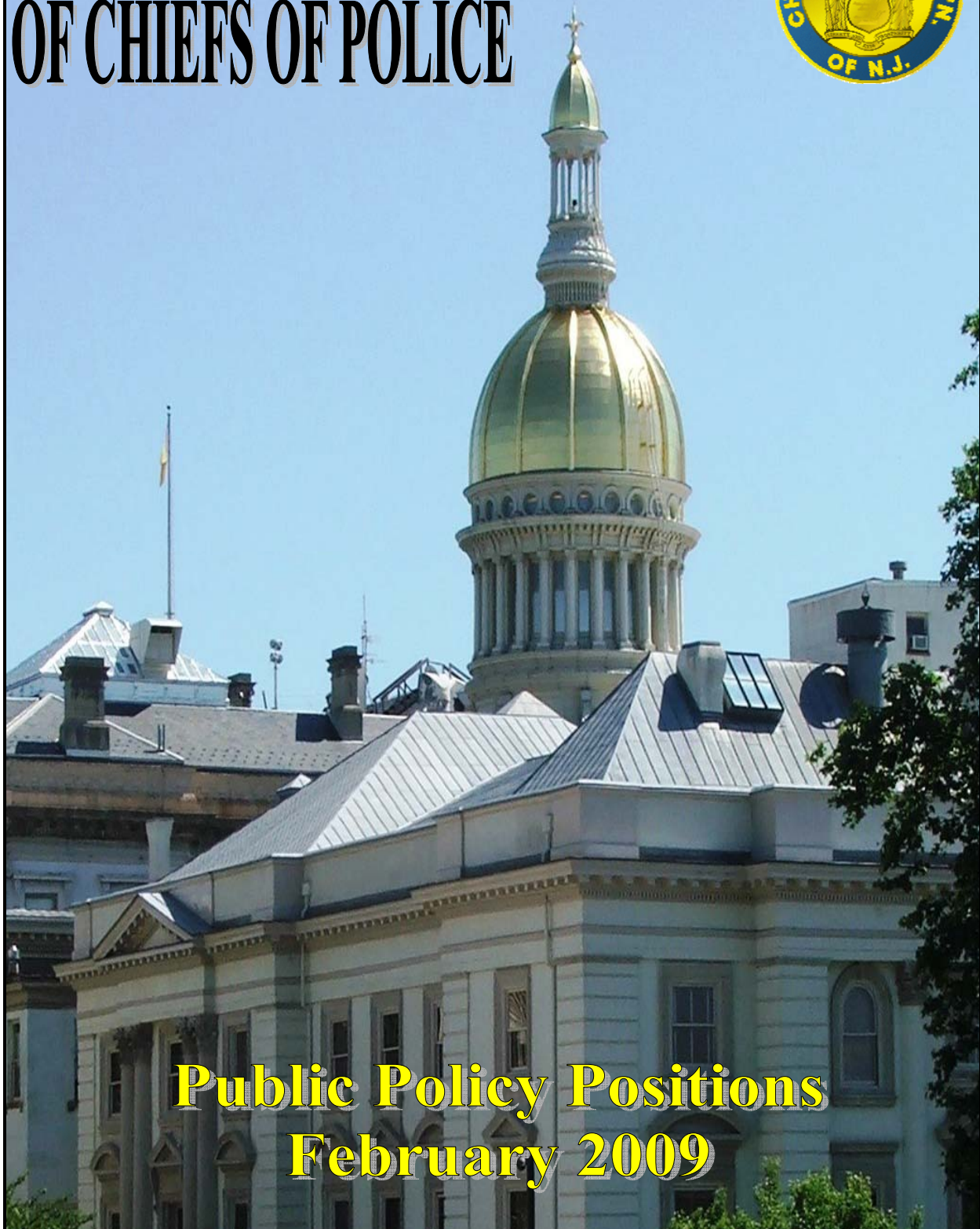


# NEW JERSEY STATE ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE



**Public Policy Positions  
February 2009**



# NJSACOP Mission Statement

The New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police is a professional organization committed to excellence in delivering quality service to our membership, the law enforcement community, and the citizens of New Jersey.

The mission of the Association is to:

1. Lead and support the efforts of police chiefs and sworn law enforcement executives throughout the State in advancing the science and art of police services.
2. Promote and advance the highest ethical and professional standards in law enforcement at all levels throughout New Jersey.
3. Enhance cooperation among all law enforcement leaders in the State.
4. Support the best possible recruitment and training of qualified individuals into the police profession.
5. Pursue adoption of legislation and administrative regulations which promote public safety and professional law enforcement.
6. Enhance professional and personal relationships among Chiefs of Police throughout New Jersey.
7. Provide high quality training, products and services, enhance membership, and promote NJSACOP programs.

# **NJSACOP LEGISLATIVE AND PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

## **February 2009—Legislative Update**

At the February State Police Chiefs Briefing the NJSACOP adopted the following positions:

The NJSACOP SUPPORTS the following legislation

**A-749 Prieto; Quigley; Vas**

*Provides for issuance of a uniform identification card for all law enforcement officers.*

**A-1329 Stender; Wisniewski**

**Identical Bill: S-2480 Kean**

*Revises laws concerning pedestrian safety and traffic control; requires drivers to stop and remain stopped for pedestrians under certain conditions.*

**A-1848 Johnson; Oliver; Vas**

**Identical Bill: S-1013 Weinberg**

*Provides DYFS caseworkers with personnel and law enforcement assistance when conducting DYFS investigations.*

**A-3248 Scalera; Caputo**

*Allows PFRS retiree to be reemployed by office of county prosecutor without reenrolling in PFRS.*

**A-3494 Chiappone**

*Permits police chiefs to issue handgun purchase permits to officers who are regularly employed, full-time members of their departments.*

**A-3504 Brammick; Gusicora**

*Requires graduated drivers licensees who plead guilty to non-point violations to complete driver safety course.*

**A-3591 Johnson**

*Prohibits Internet posting of certain information of law enforcement officer.*

**A-3635 Wisniewski; Watson Coleman; Barnes**

*Increases penalties for violations of special learner's permits, examination permits, and probationary driver's licenses; changes "provisional" license to "probationary" license.*

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**S-7 Codey**

**Identical Bill: A-3688 Cryan; Schaer**

*Adjusts local employers' contributions to PERS and PFRS for State fiscal years 2009 through 2011.*

**S-119 Scutari; Whelan**

**Identical Bill: A-804 Gusciora; Carroll**

*Establishes "New Jersey Compassionate Use of Medical Marijuana Act."*

## **NJSACOP LEGISLATIVE AND PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

### **2008-2009 Legislative Positions**

The NJSACOP SUPPORTS the following legislation

**A-693 Spencer (D-29)**

*Prohibits possession of ammunition capable of penetrating body armor. (2206:A-3491; 2004:A-3903)*

**S-664 Madden (D-4); Sweeney (D-3)**

*Prohibits possession of ammunition capable of penetrating body armor. (2006:S-326; 2004:S-2480)*

**A-870 Albano (D-1); Milam (D-1); Lampitt (D-6)**

**Identical Bill: S-18**

*Requires all automobile passengers to wear seat belts. (2006:A-3331)*

**A-884 Holzapfel (R-10); Roberts (D-5)**

*Exempts police from jury duty. (2006:A-1580; 2004:A-1056)*

**A-1329 Stender (D-22); Wisniewski (D-19); Brannick (R-21)**

*Revises laws concerning pedestrian safety and traffic control; requires drivers to stop and remain stopped for pedestrians under certain conditions.*

**A-1462 DeCrocce; McHose**

*Requires Attorney General to defend certain local law enforcement officers.*

**A-1562 Greenstein (D-14)**

*Authorizes automatic expungement of law enforcement officers' records when not guilty of criminal charges filed in course of official duties (2006:A-4351)*

**A-2655 Burzichelli (D-3); Rible (R-11); Love (D-4)**

*Requires law enforcement agency to inform school principal of certain crimes committed by students. (2008:S-1809)*

**A-2690 Johnson (D-37); Vas (D-19)**

*Expands law enforcement agencies authorized to hire alternate route trained police officers.*

**A-3067 Chiappone (D-31); Wisniewski (D-19); Angelini (R-11)**

*Enhances penalties for motor vehicle violations by drivers subject to Graduated Drive Licensing law.*

The NJSACOP SUPPORTS the following legislation

**A-3068 Wisniewski (D-19); Lampitt (D-6); Angelini (R-11)**

*Expands requirements for special learner's and examination permits.*

**A-3069 Chiappone (D-31); Doherty (R-23); Angelini (R-11)**

*Requires holders of special learner's permits, examination permits, and provisional driver's licenses to display certain decals. (2008:S-2314)*

**A-3070 Lampitt (D-6); Wisniewski (D-19); Chiappone (D-31)**

*Revises certain restrictions on permit holders and provisional driver's licensees; renames provisional license "probationary." (2008:S-16)*

**A-3291 Cryan (D-20)**

*Prohibits public safety directors for exercising police powers.*

**S-1147 Van Drew (D-1)**

*Clarifies Chief of police is responsible for disciplining subordinates. (2006:A-4446)*

The NJSACOP **OPPOSES** the following legislation

**A-183 Johnson (D-37)**

*Requires mandatory sexual violence training for law enforcement, judicial and prosecutorial personnel. (2006:A-2650; 2004:A-3632)*

**A-437 Green (D-22)**

**Identical Bill:S-727 Stack**

*Makes chief of police contractual municipal employee and establishes in DLPS “Chiefs of Police Performance Evaluation Commission.” (2006:A-2864)*

**A-1090 Cryan (D-20)**

*Permits municipalities to use auxiliary police in non-emergency situations. (2006:A-1998; 2004:A-3980)*

**A-1194 Chiappone (D-31)**

*Eliminates maximum age requirement for appointment as police officer or paid firefighter. (2006:A-2219; 2004:A-2538)*

**A-1441 O’Scanlon (R-12)**

*Limits payment to \$15,000 for accumulated sick leave upon retirement for local public employment. (2006:A-3750)*

**A-2345 Rooney (R-39)**

*Allows police chief member of PFRS to serve until age 70 upon approval by municipal governing body. (2006:A-2106; 2004:A-3739)*

**A-2868 Cryan; Green**

*Makes chief of police contractual municipal employee and requires peer review and performance evaluation for contract renewal.*

**S-271 Kyrillos (R-13)**

*Changes prospectively definition of compensation used to calculate benefits in PERS and TPAF to average of five highest-paid years in PFRS, SPRS, and JRS to average of three highest-paid years. (2006:S-2176)*

The NJSACOP OPPOSES the following legislation

**S-680 Beck (R-12)**

**Limits \$10,000 @ expiration of existing contracts**

*Limits payment to certain public employees for accumulated sick leave upon retirement; requires fine and reprimand or termination for violation of sick leave by public employee.  
(2006:A-2887; 2004:S-179)*

**S-783 Kryllios (R-13)**

**Does not affect current accruals**

*Permits unused vacation and sick leave by public employee to be carried forward for one year only; requires unused administrative leave to be cancelled. (2006:S-2172)*

**S-962 Van Drew (D-1)**

**Identical Bill: A-368 Albano; Milam**

*Eliminates maximum age requirement for appointment as police officer or paid firefighter.  
(2006:A-2219; 2004:A-2538)*

**S-1140 Van Drew (D-1)**

*Establishes procedures for selecting hearing officers in certain police disciplinary hearings.  
(2006:A-4448)*

**S-1144 Can Drew (D-1)**

*Authorizes police officers to waive local disciplinary hearings and appeal to administrative law judge in civil service and Superior Court judge in non-civil service municipalities. (2006:A-4444)*

**S-1146 Van Drew (D-1)**

*Requires disciplinary actions against police officers be based exclusively on rules and regulations adopted by the appropriate authority. (2006A-4445)*

**S-1623 Rice**

*Prohibits municipalities from setting minimum fees for employment of its off-duty police officers.*

**S-1775 Van Drew (D-1)**

*Provides immunity for certain police officers who are subjects of certain disciplinary and administrative hearings.*

**S-1862 Rice**

*Clarifies duties and responsibilities of police directors and chiefs of police.*



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