

# ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### **ASSEMBLY, No. 1839**

with committee amendments

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MAY 13, 2010

The Assembly State Government Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly, No.1839.

As amended, the purpose of this bill is to provide that a candidate is permitted to sign his or her own petition of nomination required by current law to nominate that candidate for election to any office, or serve as a circulator of such petitions, or to perform both functions.

Specifically, the sections of law amended by this bill permit a candidate to serve as a signer or circulator, or both, for his or her own petitions of nomination: 1) by direct petition; 2) for office in a political party or as the candidate of a political party in a primary election; 3) for office as a member of a school board; 4) for elective public office in any municipality holding nonpartisan municipal elections; and 5) for office as a fire district commissioner.

Assembly Bill No. 1839 (1R) is identical to Senate Bill No. 814 (1R) of 2010.

#### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to update two sections of law that are amended by the bill.