SENATE COMMUNITY AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3418

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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The Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 3418.

This bill reduces the statute of limitations for residential mortgage foreclosure actions under the "Fair Foreclosure Act" from 20 years to six years from the date on which the debtor defaulted, in situations in which the date of default is used as the method to determine when the statute of limitations has expired. Therefore, the statute of limitations for the foreclosure of a residential mortgage under this law would expire, and a foreclosure action could not be commenced, following the earliest of: (1) six years from the date fixed for the making of the last payment; (2) thirty-six years from the date of recording of the mortgage; or (3) six years from the date on which the debtor defaulted.