

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3505

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 22, 2021

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 3505.

This bill requires the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to assign an unemployment claims handler to each legislative district and partisan office during the state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. It also requires the department to make view-only access to the unemployment claims system available to employees of legislative district offices and partisan offices, along with training on confidentiality and information security rules. The bill appropriates \$1,800,000 from the general fund to effectuate its purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.