

# **New Jersey Law Revision Commission**

**July 2023** 

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Mid-year Update on the Work of the New Jersey Law Revision Commission

This e-bulletin is provided to supplement the <u>2022 Annual Report</u> of the New Jersey Law Revision Commission, which was released in January of 2023 in compliance with the Commission's statutory mandate.

Clicking on any link provided in this e-bulletin will enable you to view the referenced document.

For additional information, or to view other projects on which the Commission is currently working, please visit <a href="www.njlrc.org">www.njlrc.org</a> or contact Executive Director Laura Tharney at <a href="lct@njlrc.org">lct@njlrc.org</a>.

## **Final Reports**

Final Reports released this year through June 30, 2023:

- <u>Eminent Domain Actions and Interest Rates</u>
- "Misrepresentation of a Material Fact" in the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act
- Scope of the Recreational or Social Activities Defense in N.J.S. 34:15-7
- Unemployment Benefits for Individuals Who Were Wrongfully Incarcerated
- Uniform Commercial Code 2022 Amendments

## **Tentative Reports**

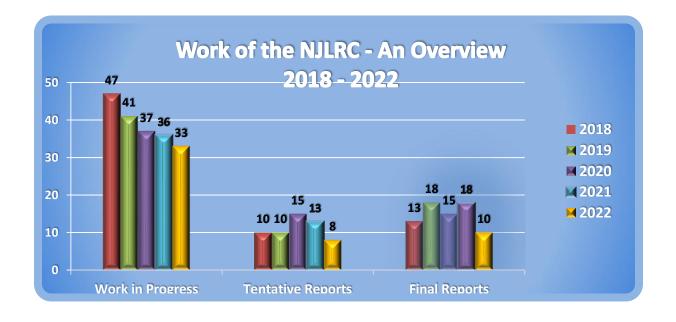
In addition to the Final Reports released so far this year, the following Tentative Reports were released for comment through June 30, 2023:

- Comprehensive Drug Reform Act and Joint Motions to Vacate Parole Ineligibility (N.J.S. 2C:35-12)
- Megan's Law and the Definition of "Minor"
- New Jersey Statute of Frauds Mandatory Review Provision in N.J.S. 25:1-5(h)
- Transfer of Jurisdiction in Tax Assessment Challenges

### **Work In Progress**

Commission work continues on a number of other projects that are not yet at the Tentative or Final Report stages. Information about these projects can be found on the agendas for the Commission's monthly meetings, with more detailed summaries provided in the Minutes of those meetings or on the Current Projects page of Commission's website.

The work of the Commission in recent years, broken down by category, is shown below.



### **News**

### Recently published articles featured in the Seton Hall Legislative Journal:

- Laura C. Tharney, Samuel M. Silver, Whitney G. Schlimbach & Karyn L. White, Tenure, Unemployment, and Workers' Compensation: Illuminating Rights and Responsibilities in New Jersey's Employment Law, 46 SETON HALL LEGIS. J. Vol. 46: Iss. 2, Article 1 (2022) Vol. 46: Iss. 2
- Laura C. Tharney, Samuel M. Silver & Whitney G. Schlimbach, Addressing Ambiguities in One of Life's Two Certainties: The New Jersey Law Revision Commission's Examination of Selected Tax Statutes, 47 SETON HALL LEGIS. J. Vol. 47: Iss. 1 Article 1 (2023) Vol.47: Iss. 1

### **Bills**

#### Bills introduced so far this session based on the work of the Commission include:

- S1195 (Sen Vitale) Revises the statutes concerning oaths and affidavits
- S1225 (Sen Greenstein, Sen Diegnan) Requires municipality to return to taxpayer property taxes paid in error due to assessor's or owner's mistake
- S1548 (Sen Greenstein) Provides certain workers with maximum workers' compensation benefits regardless of outside employment
- S1606 (Sen Greenstein) Concerns eligibility for unemployment benefits when offer of employment rescinded
- S2991 (Sen Singleton, Sen Stack) Permits court to effectuate equitable distribution when complaint for divorce or dissolution of civil union has been filed and either party has died prior to final judgment
- S3544 (Sen Diegnan, Sen Oroho) Concerns motor vehicles overtaking certain pedestrians and persons operating bicycles and personal conveyances
- A623 (Asm S Kean) Establishes time periods for adverse possession of certain property
- A1314 (Asm Greenwald, Asw McKnight, Asw Park) Requires municipality to return to taxpayer property taxes paid in error due to assessor's or owner's mistake
- A1315 (Asm Greenwald) Provides certain workers with maximum workers' compensation benefits regardless of outside employment

- A1316 (Asm Greenwald, Asm Mukherji, Asw Murphy, Asm Atkins, Asw Quijano, Asw Lopez, Asw McKnight, Asm Sampson) Concerns eligibility for unemployment benefits when offer of employment rescinded
- A2351 (Asm Mukherji, Asw Flynn, Asw, Murphy, Asw McKnight) Permits court to effectuate equitable distribution when complaint for divorce or dissolution of civil union has been filed and either party has died prior to final judgment
- A5367 (Asm Karabinchak, Asm Stanley, Asw Swain) Concerns motor vehicles overtaking certain pedestrians and persons operating bicycles and personal conveyances

## Thank you

The New Jersey Law Revision Commission would like to thank the sponsors of bills based on the work of the Commission for their willingness to bring these important issues to the attention of their colleagues in the Legislature:

Assemblyman Reginald W. Atkins
Assemblywoman Victoria A. Flynn
Assemblyman Louis D. Greenwald
Assemblyman Robert J. Karabinchak
Assemblyman Sean T. Kean
Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez
Assemblywoman Angela V. McKnight
Assemblyman Raj Mukherji
Assemblywoman Carol A. Murphy
Assemblywoman Ellen J. Park
Assemblywoman Annette Quijano
Assemblyman William B. Sampson
Assemblyman Sterley S. Stanley
Assemblywoman Lisa Swain

Senator Patrick J. Diegnan, Jr. Senator Linda R. Greenstein Senator Steven V. Oroho Senator Troy Singleton Senator Brian P. Stack Senator Joseph F. Vitale