## SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

## [First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 4105

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### DATED: DECEMBER 14, 2023

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4105 (1R).

As amended by the committee, this bill establishes the "Interagency Council on Homelessness" (council) in, but not of, the Department of Community Affairs to replace the statutorilyestablished "New Jersey Homelessness Prevention Task Force."

The bill establishes the council to serve as an advisory body to the existing Office of Homelessness Prevention, to develop recommendations. through a collaborative effort among representatives of State government, providers of services to the homeless, and other concerned representatives of the public, and to develop, promote, and support efforts for the most effective means of coordinating and funding programs to meet the various needs of persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The bill also expands membership of this advisory board.

The bill requires the Commissioner of Community Affairs to notify the members of the New Jersey Homelessness Prevention Task Force of the termination of the task force and otherwise provide for the transfer or other disposition of the records, property, and personnel of task force to the council.

As amended, this bill requires the council to prepare an annual report on its findings, conclusions, and recommendations and to submit the report to the Governor and to the Legislature.

As amended and reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 4105 (1R) is identical to Senate Bill No. 4202, which was also amended and reported by the committee on this date.

### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments establish the "Interagency Council on Homelessness" (council) in, but not of, the Department of Community Affairs. The committee amendments require the council to prepare an annual report on its findings, conclusions, and recommendations and to submit the report to the Governor and to the Legislature.

The committee amendments make technical changes involving grammar, punctuation, and syntax.