

# ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO **ASSEMBLY, No. 5391**

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 30, 2023

The Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 5391.

As amended and reported, this bill imposes conditions on motor vehicle drivers approaching a disabled vehicle with flashing hazard warning signal lights or utilizing road flares or reflective triangles. The bill requires a motor vehicle driver approaching a disabled vehicle displaying these lights, road flares, or reflective triangles to either move to a lane that is not next to the disabled vehicle or, if the driver is unable to safely or legally move over, to slow down to a speed less than the posted speed limit.

### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to provide that a motor vehicle operator will not be assessed motor vehicle penalty points unless the stationary vehicle is displaying flashing, blinking, or alternating lights or utilizing road flares or reflective triangles at the time of the third or subsequent violation of the bill's provisions, as opposed to if the stationary vehicle is only displaying flashing, blinking, or alternating lights. The amendments also make technical changes.