

SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2638

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 18, 2026

The Senate Environment and Energy Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2638.

As amended, the bill would require each municipality with a municipally owned beach club, children's recreation camp that is primarily operated on the beach, or beach for which it charges beach tag fees, to include the following information within its public access plan prepared pursuant to the "Municipal Land Use Law," P.L.1975, c.291 (C.40:55D-1 et seq.):

(1) an itemized budget of the actual costs for each municipally owned beach club, children's recreation camp, or beach for the previous beach season;

(2) the revenues generated by each municipally owned beach club, children's recreation camp, or beach for the previous beach season;

(3) an itemized projection of costs for the upcoming beach season; and

(4) if the revenues provided exceed the costs provided, an explanation of how the municipality will expend the excess revenue.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 2026-2027 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments to the bill require municipalities with municipally owned beach clubs and municipally owned children's recreation camps that are operated primarily on the beach to include the information required by the bill within their public access plans.