

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 997

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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This amended bill requires police departments to mail or fax accident reports to individuals upon request. The bill further provides that the police department may require the person requesting the report to provide a completed request form and the appropriate fee prior to faxing or mailing the report. If enacted, the bill would give individuals the option to have reports mailed, faxed or picked up in-person. Currently, some police departments refuse to send accident reports via fax or mail, causing a hardship for individuals seeking accident records who live outside the locality.

The bill also updates references to the Motor Vehicle Commission and the Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission.

The committee amended the bill to make a technical correction to a statutory citation.