

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 102**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MAY 13, 2010

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 102.

This concurrent resolution expresses the Legislature's support for the submission of the Department of Education's application for a federal Race to the Top grant. The competitive program is designed to promote education reform by encouraging states to adopt innovative practices relating to college and career readiness standards and high quality assessments for all students, preschool through post-secondary education data systems, teacher effectiveness and the equitable distribution of effective teachers, and support and interventions in the lowest performing schools. The State would receive as much as \$400 million over four years if the application is successful.