

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. 98**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

Provides for special session of Legislature to consider property tax relief and reform.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION** providing for the convening of a
2 special session of the Legislature to address property tax relief
3 and reform in this State.

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5 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey's property taxes, which support county and
6 municipal governments and the public schools, are among the
7 highest in the nation; and

8 **WHEREAS**, The current system of property taxation has placed an
9 enormous burden on the residents of this State; and

10 **WHEREAS**, This State's high property taxes result from the
11 inequitable and nonuniform application of school funding; and

12 **WHEREAS**, There is a dire need to reform property taxes which are
13 stifling the State's economy, making home ownership impossible
14 for many, and disproportionately burdening the elderly, the
15 young, and low income families; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Remedying the problems associated with high property
17 taxes is a legislative responsibility; and

18 **WHEREAS**, There is a need for the Legislature to convene in a
19 special session dedicated solely to addressing property tax relief
20 and reform in this State; now, therefore,

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22 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey (the*
23 *Assembly concurring):*

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25 1. The presiding officer of each House of the Legislature shall
26 convene a special session of that house, within seven days of final
27 passage of this concurrent resolution, which shall be devoted solely
28 to consideration of the issue of property tax relief and reform in this
29 State and which shall devise and consider ways of implementing
30 that relief and reform. The presiding officer and the minority leader
31 of each house shall each present bills to be considered by that house
32 at the special session and each such bill shall be voted on by the
33 members of that house.

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STATEMENT

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38 This concurrent resolution provides for the convening of a
39 special session of the Legislature for the purpose of considering
40 property tax relief and reform.