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Christie Creates Red Tape Review Commission

Governor Chris Christie announced the appointment of members to a newly created Red Tape Review Commission. The nine-member Commission, created by Executive Order No. 41, will review administrative rules and regulations and solicit public input on regulatory barriers in order to analyze the impact on job creation, economic growth, and investment throughout the State.

The Commission will be chaired by Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno and include Senator Steven Oroho, Senator Brian P. Stack, Assemblyman John Burzichelli, Assemblyman Scott Rumana, Mayor Brian D. Levine, Edward B. Deutsch, John Galandak, and Tony Monteiro. These direct appointments by the Governor do not require Senate confirmation.

The Commission will make recommendations to the Governor for improving New Jersey's regulatory climate by providing periodic reports, and serve as an ongoing advisory resource to the Governor. The Commission succeeds the Red Tape Review Group, another bipartisan body with representatives from both the Legislative and Executive Branches of State government that was created by Executive Order No. 3.

Judiciary Committee Releases Haines Nomination

The Senate Judiciary Committee released the nomination of Senator Philip Haines to serve as a Judge of the Superior Court. Haines was nominated by Governor Christie last week. Senator Haines has represented the 8th District in Burlington County since 2008. He also served as Burlington County Clerk from 2000-2008 and as a Burlington County Freeholder from 1997-1999. He is a graduate of LaSalle University and earned his law degree at Rutgers University. Senator Haines' confirmation by the full Senate is expected on Monday. Senator Haines will resign his Senate seat once he is confirmed and the Republican County Committee in the 8th Legislative District will then meet to select a replacement.

Legislative Calendar

This week Senate Group 3 and 4 Committees and Assembly Group C and D Committees met. Next week, the Senate will hold a voting session on October 18 and select Assembly committees will also meet on October 18.