

ASSEMBLY HOMELAND SECURITY AND STATE
PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 4836

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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The Assembly Homeland Security and State Preparedness Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4836 with committee amendments.

As amended and reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 4836 requires the State Office of Emergency Management to include provisions in the State Emergency Operations Plan to incorporate a framework to address cybersecurity incidents that, at a minimum, should serve as a mechanism to facilitate and coordinate preparation for detection, analysis, containment and eradication of, and recovery from, a cybersecurity incident, and to prescribe post-incident activity.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to:

- 1) remove the Office of Information Technology, in the Department of Treasury, from the development of a coordinated Statewide response plan to address Internet outages caused by a cyberattack or other natural or human-made disaster;
- 2) require the State Office of Emergency Management to ensure the plan incorporates a framework to address cybersecurity incidents that should, at a minimum, serve as a mechanism to facilitate and coordinate preparation for detection, analysis, containment and eradication of, and recovery from, a cybersecurity incident, and to prescribe post-incident activity; and
- 3) make other clarifying and technical changes.