ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4935

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 8, 2022

The Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4935.

As amended and reported, this bill requires crash reports to be transmitted electronically and requires the Department of Transportation (department) to adopt rules and regulations to require the electronic transmission of crash reports. This bill implements a recommendation made in an audit report issued by the Office of the State Auditor to provide the department with statutory authority to implement new regulations requiring the electronic transmission of crash reports.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to:

- require the Department of Transportation, rather than the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, to administer crash reports, including preparing and supplying police departments and agencies with crash report forms and receiving such crash reports;
- provide that the Commissioner of Transportation, rather than the Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, may require additional information to be included in crash reports;
- clarify that all crash reports, whether written or electronic, are to be reported electronically to the department in the electronic format prescribed by the department; and
- provide that the department, rather than the commission, is required to prescribe the electronic format for the submission of crash reports.