

ASSEMBLY LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 5299

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 5, 2023

The Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 5299.

As reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 5299 expressly designates the State Office of Emergency Management as the State Agency for Surplus Property. The bill also provides that the State Office of Emergency Management is to continue to be responsible for administering in the State the Federal Surplus Personal Property Donation Program established under federal law.

Under the bill, as the designated State agency, the State Office of Emergency Management is to perform the following duties: 1) maintain a plan that meets the requirements of the Federal Surplus Personal Property Donation Program as set forth in applicable regulations; 2) operate the Federal Surplus Personal Property Donation Program within the State using a direct donation model that authorizes an eligible entity to acquire property directly from the federal government's holding facility following the allocation of the property to the State by the General Services Administration; 3) issue guidelines required to manage and facilitate the Federal Surplus Personal Property Donation Program within the State in conformance with federal law; and 4) perform all necessary administrative services, including but not limited to eligibility determinations and application review; facilitating the acquisition process; conducting outreach; tracking requests, fulfillment, and property utilization; compliance enforcement; and performing monitoring and auditing as required to give effect to the program within the State.

The bill also sets forth the responsibility for certain costs and fees in connection with the Federal Surplus Personal Property Donation Program.