

ASSEMBLY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 5338

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 18, 2023

The Assembly State and Local Government Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 5338.

As amended by the committee, this bill requires the Secretary of State to examine and recertify all voting machines both annually and when there are modifications to the software on the machines. As part of the examination and recertification, the Secretary of State will develop a test and a check list to confirm that each voting machine is operating properly and is able to accurately record and tabulate all of the votes cast for each election.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments remove language in the existing law that waives a reexamination of a voting machine after certain improvements or changes are made to it. Under the amendments, all voting machines would be examined and recertified annually and each time a modification is made to the voting machine's software.