## SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

## **SENATE, No. 4163**

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 21, 2023

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 4163.

This bill reappropriates unexpended funds from the "New Jersey Bridge Rehabilitation and Improvement and Railroad Right-of-way Preservation Bond Act of 1989" (bond act) to the Department of Transportation (department). Those funds were originally appropriated to support the cost of rehabilitations and improvements to bridges carrying State highways and local roadways, as well as the costs of the preservation and acquisition of railroad rights-of-way.

The bill requires the funds appropriated to the department to be administered by the department and reappropriated to offset any cost permitted under the bond act. The bill permits the funds to be allocated for emergency repairs, in various locations, at the discretion of the Commissioner of Transportation.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**:

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.