ASSEMBLY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2709

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 12, 2022

The Assembly State and Local Government Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2709.

This bill permits local registrars to appoint additional alternate deputy registrars, subject to the approval of the municipal governing body. Under current law, in addition to a deputy registrar, the local registrar may appoint one or two alternate deputy registrars if the local registrar deems the appointment necessary for the office to function efficiently and to provide quality service to the public. Under this bill, the local registrar of a municipality may submit a request to the governing body of the municipality to appoint a specific number of additional alternate deputy registrars based upon the specific needs of the municipality. The governing body of a municipality could, by resolution, permit the local registrar to appoint additional alternate deputy registrars based upon the specific needs of the municipality. The bill also provides that a copy of the approved resolution is required to be filed with the State registrar to allow for appropriate oversight.

As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4524, which was also reported by the committee on this same date.