S3137

S3137 (**A2071**) - "New Jersey Open Data Initiative;" requires certain information be made available on Internet by State departments and agencies.

The bill is on the Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee meeting agenda for Monday, November 16, 2015 at 1:00 PM in Committee Room 7, 2nd Floor, State House Annex, Trenton New Jersey.

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STATEMENT BY NJFOG:

S-3137 is an open data initiative, and NJFOG certainly favors transparency and increased access to public records. As written, the bill says that nothing in S-3137 shall supersede the Open Public Records Act (OPRA). That language must remain. Also, we recommend that OPRA be mentioned by name, where currently the law is referenced only by number (P.L.1963, 32 c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.). NJFOG supports the bill with this suggested change.