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► GOVERNOR BRENDAN P BYRNE STATE HOUSE TRENTON NJ 08608

DEAR GOVERNOR BYRNE
IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT YOU AND GOVERNOR SHAPP WILL BE MEETING TUESDAY TO DISCUSS THE CURRENT IMPASSE REGARDING THE EXECUTION OF THE RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM OF THE STATE IMPOSED NON RESIDENT TAXATION. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE INITIAL DRAFT SUBMITTED TO PENNSYLVANIA HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE UNSATISFACTORY BECAUSE IT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF NEW JERSEY'S COMMUTER TAX. LIKEWISE, NEW JERSEY LEGISLATORS ON RELUCTANT TO REPEAL THE COMMUTER LEVY UNTIL THE RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT IS EXECUTED. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE AGREEMENT BE MODIFIED SO AS TO INCLUD A CONDITION THAT THE AGREEMENT WILL NOT BE EFFECTIVE, EVEN THOUGH EXECUTED UNTIL THE NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE REPEALS THE COMMUTER LEVY UPON PENNSYLVANIA. VERY TRULY YOURS

JAMES J FLORIO MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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