

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN  
R-222-16

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S981, SPONSORED BY SENATOR BOB SMITH, DISTRICT 17, (MIDDLESEX AND SOMERSET), SENATOR CHRISTOPHER “KIP” BATEMAN, DISTRICT 16 (HUNTERDON, MERCER, MIDDLESEX AND SOMERSET), AND ASSEMBLY BILL A2375, SPONSORED BY ASSEMBLYMAN JOHN F. MCKEON, DISTRICT 27, (ESSEX AND MORRIS COUNTY), AMENDING THE NEW JERSEY “ELECTRONIC WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT”**

WHEREAS, counties and municipalities are burdened with the expense and environmental impact of the existing New Jersey “Electronic Waste Management Act”; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers of Covered Electronic Devices (CED) are not meeting their legal obligation to provide a free and convenient collection opportunity in each county; and

WHEREAS, CED manufacturers are not fully supporting successful government programs by covering the full cost to collect and dispose of CEDs generated by consumers in accordance with the New Jersey “Electronic Waste Management Act”; and

WHEREAS, the lack of support by CED manufacturers, has resulted in negative economic impacts to local government budgets and the elimination of longstanding successful collection programs; and

WHEREAS, existing manufacturer supported private collection opportunities are insufficient and incapable of handling the overwhelming volume of material should government collection processes cease to operate; and

WHEREAS, the elimination of government collection programs has serious potential to cause an increase in illegal dumping activities and the release of environmentally harmful materials contained in CEDs, due to the lack of drop off opportunities provided by CED manufacturers; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Franklin Township Committee on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016, calls upon the members of the Senate, General Assembly and specifically the Governor of New Jersey, to support Senate Bill **S981** and Assembly Bill **A2375** that would enable the continuation of government sponsored collection programs, free of charge to consumers and taxpayers, therefore, fulfilling the intent of the original law

Attest:

Township of Franklin

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**Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk**

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**Sheryl Neely, Mayor**

CERTIFICATION

I, Barbara Freijomil, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented and duly adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on December 7, 2016.

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Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk