### NEW JERSEY'S 2023-24 STATE GOVERNMENT AND KEY ENERGY ISSUES



# NEW JERSEY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND STATE LEGISLATURE

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

### Governor (D)

Phil Murphy

#### Lt. Governor (D)

Sheila Oliver

#### Secretary of the State (Appointed)

Tahesha Way

#### **Attorney General (Appointed)**

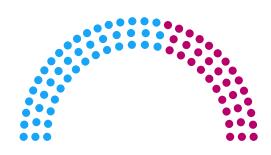
Matthew Platkin

#### **State Treasurer (Appointed)**

Elizabeth Maher Muoio

#### **STATE SENATE**

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY** 



- 25 Senate Democrats
  - Senate Republicans
- 46 House Democrats
- 34 House Republicans

### SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

#### **LEADERSHIP**

#### **Chair Senator**

Sen. Bob Smith (D-17)

#### Vice Chair (R)

Sen. Linda Greenstein (D-14)

#### Democrat

Sen. Richard Codey (D-27)

#### Republicans

Sen. Edward Durr (R-3) Sen. Jean Stanfield (R-8)

## ASSEMBLY TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

#### **LEADERSHIP**

#### Chair Rep.

Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo (D-14)

#### Vice Chair Rep.

Assemblyman Clinton Calabrese (D-36)

#### **Democrats**

Assemblyman Joseph Egan (D-17) Assemblywoman Cleopatra Tucker (D-28)

#### Republicans

Assemblyman Christian Barranco (R-26) Assemblyman Robert Karabinchak (R-18) Assemblyman Erik Peterson (R-23) Assemblywoman Beth Sawyer (R-3)

### **KEY ENERGY ISSUES BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE IN 2023**

#### CLIMATE CHANGE AND A TRANSITION TO A CLEANER GRID



- New Jersey's Energy Master Plan is scheduled for a rewrite in 2024. The new EMP will likely attempt to solidify current administration priorities around offshore wind like EVs, battery storage, and economy wide electrification.
- NRG will work to ensure the EMP retains natural gas, Renewable Natural Gas, Responsibly Sourced Gas, and hydrogen as fuels of choice for consumers.

#### FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS



- The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and the Inflation Reduction Act provide federal funding for investment in clean energy and infrastructure projects.
- New Jersey will distribute these funds through various clean energy programs, grants, and competitive processes including EV charging infrastructure, solar, and battery storage incentives to advance consumer penetration of these technologies.

#### **OFFSHORE WIND**

• Offshore wind developers are questioning their ability to execute offshore wind projects due to inflation, supply chain constraints, and energy market volatility.



- A rash of recent baleen whale deaths along the New Jersey shoreline has caused a call to halt offshore wind development until studies can assess the impact offshore wind activity has on whale populations.
- Despite resistance, New Jersey is on track to achieve having 11 gigawatts off the coast by 2040. Significant investments of public funds have been made at the New Jersey Wind Port, and three projects have already been approved.

#### NRG-SPECIFIC EFFORTS AT THE LEGISLATURE



- The Shop with Your Wallet legislation would allow customers to enroll in a service with a third-party supplier at any location with information contained on a government issued ID and eliminate the need to have their utility account or Point of Delivery number. The bill is currently waiting Committee hearings.
- Conceptually, The Clean Energy Program would provide incentives in the form of POS rebates or income tax credits toward the purchase of a Goal Zero power unit and associated equipment. NRG is currently working with potential sponsors on drafting bill for introduction.