

Thank you, and I'm happy to take any questions."

MUNCO LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: June 4, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Michael Thulen Jr., Legislative Representative

SUBJECT: Legislative Updates & PAC Formation

1. S3174 (Third-Party Privatization Bill) Update

- **Trenton Hearing (5/11/26):** Approximately 12 MUNCO members traveled to Trenton to testify before the Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee. Formal opposition was successfully placed on the record.
- **Strategic Outcome:** While the bill was reported out of committee, Chairman Troy Singleton intervened on MUNCO's behalf, securing a commitment for a face-to-face stakeholder meeting between MUNCO leadership and Senate President Nicholas Scutari prior to any floor vote.
- **Current Status:** Formal meeting requests have been submitted to the Senate President. Due to current state budget negotiations, the meeting is anticipated to be scheduled immediately following the passage of the state budget.

2. New Legislative Threat: Commercial Funding Disclosures

- **Overview:** New legislation has emerged requiring municipal Construction Officials to review, verify, and certify the financial viability and funding sources of commercial projects prior to permit issuance.
- **Coalition Defense:** The Legislative Committee has established contact with Jeff at the New Jersey Builders Association (NJBA). Both organizations agree this mandate is a severe administrative liability outside the scope of code enforcement. MUNCO is awaiting NJBA's technical data to issue a joint statement of opposition.

3. Formation of the "New Jersey Building Safety Alliance" PAC

- **Progress:** The Legislative Committee has met weekly to establish a political framework to counter ongoing privatization attacks. Bylaws have been finalized for a new state-registered Political Action Committee named the **New Jersey Building Safety Alliance**.
- **Next Steps:** Execution of the inaugural meeting, filing of organizational paperwork with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), opening a dedicated bank account, and establishing digital infrastructure (website, email, social media) for content creation and fundraising.

4. Committee Motions Presented

- **Motion:** To approve the allocation of \$5,000 from the Legislative Committee's existing earmarked funds to serve as initial seed money for the legal filing, administrative setup, and launch of the **New Jersey Building Safety Alliance** PAC.