Repealing it with a new structure with clearly defined duties.

the establishment of the Comptroller of Higher Education and Governance in New Jersey. Specifically, the report calls for
outlining various recommendations concerning higher education
championed by former Governor Jon Corzine, recently issued a report
established pursuant to Executive Order No. 26 (2010) and
this time, as you know, my task force on higher education,
and higher education communities, I cannot support the Bill at
exchange of information and collaboration between our business
innovation in New Jersey by encouraging the facilitation of the
while I commend the sponsors for their efforts to spur

funding.

promoting the institution's potential to receive federal
Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) with the goal of
practically, the Bill imposes several responsibilities on the new
develop strict training to improve grant writing and preparation.
example, mandating that all higher education institutions
improve the institution's ability to receive federal funding by, for
universities. The Bill also attempts to improve the
research and development efforts of our colleges and
maintain a database containing the resources and non-proprietary
requiring the comptroller on higher education and the business community.

The Bill also attempts to facilitate collaboration between

my approval.

Jersey Constitution, I am retracting Senate Bill No. 2399 without
pursuant to Article V, Section 1, Paragraph 14 of the New

To the Senate:

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

SENATE BILL NO. 2399
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
February 22, 2011
A more effective and successful manner.

In order to achieve the ultimate goals of the Legislature in a more cooperative and forward-looking manner, I look forward to working closely with the educational institutions and our colleges and universities in order to encourage and facilitate collaboration between the public and private sectors. The Legislature will undertake to work with the educational institutions outlined in the Plan. It would be inconsistent to ask our current commission on higher education to undertake the ultimate goals of the Plan and to implement this initiative for failure.

Of particular importance is the need for higher education reform, including the potential for more fundamental reforms with the overall reform, to address the problems identified in the Plan. It is important to address these as part of the Legislature's response to the issue of the Legislature's response to the task force and to implement the recommendations of the task force. The Legislature has the responsibility to address these problems and to implement the recommendations of the task force.

I am confident that New Jersey is ready to take the steps necessary to address these problems and to implement the Legislature's response to the task force.

The report points out that over the years, the Legislature and
Chief Counsel to the Governor
/s/ Jeffrey S. Chiesa

Accept:

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Governor
/s/ Chris Christie

Respectfully,

my approval.

Accordingly, I hereby return Senate Bill No. 2398 without

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