



NEWS

AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM

1920 L Street, NW • Suite 200 • Washington, DC 20036
202.785.0266 • Fax 202.785.0261

WWW.ATR.ORG

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
JUNE 16, 2005

CONTACT: Chris Butler
202-785-0266

What Corzine Supporters Are Saying About His Property Tax Plan Vol. 3

Gubernatorial Candidate's Strongest Supporters Have Opposed Similar Plans in the Past

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Garden State has the highest property taxes in the nation and public polls consistently show this is the top issue facing New Jersey voters. Over the past four years, state taxes have been raised cumulatively by \$8 billion, state debt has increased by \$12 billion, property taxes are now rising at their fastest levels in 15 years, and property tax rebates have been slashed.

New Jersey gubernatorial candidate Sen. Jon Corzine put forward a property tax plan which calls for increasing property tax rebates. According to his website, **“Corzine’s plan gives direct rebates to homeowners and renters who need them; rebates are guaranteed to grow at least 10% per year for 4 years.”**

His strongest supporters in the legislature quickly embraced the plan. But this was an about face for them since many actually opposed the plan in the past. **Democratic Assemblywoman Linda Greenstein**, who is running in arguably the most competitive legislative district in the state alongside Corzine, had this to say about the cornerstone of Corzine’s plan – property tax rebates:

“People Just Don’t Want a Rebate, They Want Real Reform.”

“GOP retains its control of Assembly” - The Star Ledger – November 1999

Sen. Wayne Bryant: http://www.ATR.org/content/pdf/2005/jun/061305pr-nj-corzine_propplan.pdf

Acting Gov. Codey: http://www.ATR.org/content/pdf/2005/jun/061405pr-nj-corzine_propplan.pdf

Sen. Bernard Kenny: <http://www.ATR.org/content/pdf/2005/jun/061505pr-nj-corzine.pdf>

Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) is a non-partisan coalition of taxpayers and taxpayer groups who oppose all federal, state and local tax increases.
For more information or to arrange an interview, please contact Chris Butler at (202) 785-0266 or at cbutler@atr.org.

###