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## **SAVE HOME SCHOOL FREEDOM IN NEW JERSEY!**

**Dear Home Education Parents and Students in New Jersey, across the U.S.A, and all who cherish freedom and liberty,**

Once again, Big Brother has targeted New Jersey Home Educators with intrusive legislation. New Jersey Assembly Bill A3123 is the worst piece of home school legislation I've encountered since I began home educating over 20 years ago! A new Facebook page has been established to help home education parents, students, and you remain vitally involved and informed of timely details and positive supplemental reports that attest to the value and success of home education in New Jersey. Please access the link above and join today. It's easy to become a Facebook member, and we need all of you to support our efforts to fight this new assault on freedom.

When you access this Facebook page, you will note that its Officers currently represent Education Network of Christian Homeschoolers of New Jersey (ENoch), New Jersey Homeschool Association, Eagle Forum of New Jersey, and Catholic Homeschoolers of New Jersey. Posts from these organizations and their action alerts, along with those from Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA) and Unschoolers Network, will regularly appear. Helpful comments and reports also posted by Members of this Facebook page, both parents and students, will provide ample wisdom for us to energetically and confidently move forward on strong, solid ground.

Via Facebook, New Jersey and other states were able to help and support California home educators beset with the supremacist legal decision of California judges. Now, New Jersey home educators need that support, too. Action alerts, contact phone numbers, talking points, discussion topics, wall posts, and recent news will continue to be posted on this Facebook page by Officers and Members until A3123 is silenced --just as we silenced the intellectually dishonest home school legislation that culminated with a Trenton rally on our State House steps on May 24, 2004.

Despite the fact that bankrupt New Jersey is over legislated and over regulated, and faces the most activist State Supreme Court in the nation, until now New Jersey remains one of the nine most unregulated home education states in the U.S. Why? The selfless dedication of wise home educators, who do what they do for the highest good of their children and society, and their related success stories, are legend! Only this year, a New Jersey home school Robotics Team won 1st Place worldwide, a home school graduate was named NJ College Freshman Baseball Pitcher of the year, a NJ home school Chorale will perform in Carnegie Hall this year, and a NJ home school moot court team won 1st Place in the state and 4th Place in the nation! Even students in my own Stock Market Game classes over the years represent 1st Place and 5th Place national winners, and 1st Place state winners. New Jersey Home Education Rocks!

Besides the grace of God and the incredible dedication of home school families, one of the key reasons why New Jersey home educators have been successful warding off government intrusion is the cohesiveness of our diverse New Jersey home education groups referenced above. Many times over the years, Unschoolers Network, ENOCH, Catholic Homeschoolers of New Jersey, New Jersey Homeschool Association, Eagle Forum and HSLDA have come together under the banner: "*Many Voices; One Message.*" Setting aside various reasons why we home educate and how we do it, **WE ARE UNITED!** Shoulder to shoulder, we have joined together to defend any assault on home school freedom by bureaucrats -- bureaucrats who already waste huge taxpayer dollars on too many failing public schools while students suffer. In contrast, home schooling in New Jersey has been successful over 40 years, and hasn't cost the taxpayers a dime! This new legislation has the potential to cost NJ taxpayers millions of dollars every year, and put more pressure on local school boards, school administrators, and public schools. In fact, in the year 2000, leaders of these home school groups met with representatives from the NJ Principals Association, the NJ Association of School Administrators, and other state entities to discuss home school guidelines. The satisfactory result of those discussions revealed a genuine respect for NJ home educators. Our success was known, we did not offer them any problems and, as we are not broken, we need not be fixed.

New Jersey Assembly Bill A3123 has no basis for its introduction whatsoever, and its introduction at this time is curious. Home educated families must never become sacrificial lambs in any costly political abyss, and we intend to stop it - firmly and respectfully. With that, I believe we will ultimately add to the swell of support and respect we have earned over the years.

Continue to familiarize yourself with A3123 by becoming a member of the Facebook page, add helpful comments, follow the action alerts of our home school groups, and join us in prayer to protect the freedom and liberty to home educate in New Jersey without government intrusion!

No matter if you home educate or not, live in New Jersey or Alaska, all who love liberty are invited to join our battle and stand ready to "***SAVE HOME SCHOOL FREEDOM IN NEW JERSEY!***" Join the Facebook page now to help us win!

*Faithfully,*

*Carolee Adams, 20-year Home Educator Emerita*

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A3123 introduced and referred into the New Jersey State Assembly and assigned to the New Jersey State Assembly Education Committee on September 22, 2008.

<http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/bills/BillView.asp>

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