

[SEAL] Given, under my hand and seal this 9th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States, the one thousand and ninety-second.

/s/ RICHARD J. HUGHES,  
*Governor.*

Attest:

/s/ LAWRENCE BILDER,  
*Secretary to the Governor.*

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY,  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 37

WHEREAS, The 90th Congress of the United States is presently considering, and shortly is expected to enact, legislation popularly referred to as the "Safe Streets and Crime Control Act of 1968"; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Lyndon Baines Johnson, President of the United States, is expected to approve such legislation upon its enactment by Congress; and

WHEREAS, The "Safe Streets and Crime Control Act of 1968" envisages a major role for State government in intensified nationwide efforts to combat crime in all its phases, and authorizes grants to the State to facilitate this role; and

WHEREAS, The public interest of the citizens of the State of New Jersey requires that the State be fully prepared to implement the "Safe Streets and Crime Control Act of 1968" and to respond fully to the challenge of this major federal effort to strengthen local law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, The pervasive threat posed by criminal activity to the security of the citizens of New Jersey must be eliminated if a climate of full respect for law and order is to be insured in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Continuing review, reassessment and reappraisal of the criminal laws of this State and of State and local law enforce-

ment techniques, policies and priorities is essential to the battle against crime; and

WHEREAS, The public interest of the citizens of the State of New Jersey requires that there be established a State-wide agency with responsibility for continuing analysis of State and local law enforcement practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD J. HUGHES, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. (a) There is hereby created the New Jersey Council Against Crime.

(b) The New Jersey Council Against Crime here and after referred to as the "Council," shall consist of the Attorney General who shall be Chairman, and such other residents of the State as the Governor shall from time to time appoint. The membership of the Council shall include persons broadly representative of law enforcement, local government and interested citizenry in the State.

(c) The members of the Council shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement, within the limits of funds available therefor, for all necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

(d) The Council shall meet at the call of the Chairman, but not less than once in each month. The Council shall report annually to the Governor, the Legislature and the New Jersey Supreme Court.

2. (a) For the purpose of securing the fullest implementation in New Jersey of the legislation popularly referred to as the "Safe Streets and Crime Control Act of 1968" or such other act of Congress as may hereafter be passed for like or similar purposes, the Council shall do all things necessary to assure the submission and approval of applications for grants pursuant to such legislation, and to coordinate the effective and efficient administration of any grants received pursuant thereto.

(b) For the purpose of strengthening State and Local law enforcement practices, the Council shall:

(1) develop a comprehensive State-wide plan to carry out new and innovative approaches for the improvement of law enforcement and criminal justice throughout the State;

(2) define, develop, and correlate programs and projects for the State and units of local government in the State for the improvement of law enforcement and criminal justice;

(3) suggest means for improving the training and qualifications of personnel engaged in law enforcement;

(4) examine and appraise on a continuing basis the administration, enforcement, and operation of all State and local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to crimes and offenses;

(5) initiate and from time to time conduct State-wide law enforcement conferences for the purpose of accomplishing greater coordination and uniformity of law enforcement procedures;

(6) inquire into the problem of recidivism and formulate methods for the rehabilitation of criminals, with particular emphasis on the feasibility of work-release programs and the need for improved probation and parole services;

(7) establish priorities for the improvement of law enforcement and criminal justice throughout the State.

3. (a) The Council is authorized to call upon any department, office, division or agency of the State to supply such statistical data, program reports, and other information or personnel and materials as it deems necessary to discharge its responsibilities under this Order.

(b) Each department, office, division or agency of the State is authorized and directed, to the extent not inconsistent with law, to cooperate with the Council and to furnish it such information and assistance as it may find necessary in the discharge of its responsibilities under this Order.

4. This Order shall take effect immediately.

[SEAL] Given, under my hand and seal this 4th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight, of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and ninety-second.

/s/ RICHARD J. HUGHES,  
*Governor.*

Attest:

/s/ LAWRENCE BILDER,  
*Secretary to the Governor.*