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## BERGMANSON: CORZINE PROPOSAL TO ELIMINATE PROPERTY-TAX REBATES IS A \$1.7 BILLION TAX INCREASE

Glen Ridge, NJ – The latest trial balloon leaked to the press by the Corzine Administration indicates that the Governor is considering reducing or eliminating NJ's Property-Tax Rebates. Mayor Carl Bergmanson, Jon Corzine's opponent for Governor in the upcoming Democratic Primary, said he would welcome the elimination of the program, so long as the sales tax was dropped back down to 6%.

“Let's face it – The Property Tax Rebates are nothing more than a thinly-disguised vote-buying scam” Bergmanson said. “If the Governor wants to eliminate them, I would support that, so long as the sales-tax increase that was used to fund them is also eliminated. Dropping the sales tax would be a great way to stimulate New Jersey's economy – just like increasing the sales tax was a great way to wreck it. But since this proposal by the Governor keeps the sales tax increase and just eliminates the rebates, that's nothing but a \$1.7 Billion tax increase.”

Bergmanson added: “It should be clear to anyone that increasing taxes, especially in our current fiscal environment, is like trying to put out a fire with gasoline. We need to cut State Spending, not Taxpayer Spending. With his almost non-stop bungling of New Jersey's finances, Jon Corzine makes it painfully clear to the taxpayers of New Jersey why he was run out of Goldman-Sachs, and why they need to run him out of the Governor's Mansion.”

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