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Realtors® Political Action Committee helps in the fight to ensure good laws are passed and bad ones are defeated. RPAC works by staying engaged with the legislature’s agenda—building relationships with key politicians on a local, state, and federal level. RPAC also works with state agencies to make sure proposed rules take into consideration the views of property owners and Realtors®.

Now, more than ever, RPAC entrusts that New Jersey Realtors® can properly advocate for the needs of Realtors® and make certain real estate transactions take place in a quick, effective, and affordable manner.

## 7 WAYS RPAC HELPED REALTORS® DURING THE PANDEMIC:

- 1 E-Notary Law:** Successfully advocated for legislation signed by the governor allowing remote notarial acts during a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency.
- 2 Pandemic Unemployment Assistance:** For the first time in history, independent contractors were eligible for unemployment benefits.
- 3 Clarification on Real Estate Transactions and Open Houses:** Received clarification from the governor’s office allowing real estate transactions and open houses to continue.
- 4 Short-Term Rental Commission Refunds:** Opposed legislation that would amend contract law, and require commissions to be returned on canceled short-term rentals.
- 5 Certificate of Occupancy Inspections:** New Jersey Realtors® Government Affairs Team reached out to nearly every municipality in N.J. to ensure that a process for completing Certificate of Occupancy inspections was in place to allow real estate transactions to proceed during the public health emergency.
- 6 Taxes on Real Estate:** New Jersey Realtors® continued to oppose any taxes or fees on the real estate industry such as a realty transfer fee, tax on commissions or seasonal rental tax.
- 7 Time-of-Sale Requirements:** New Jersey Realtors® continued to raise concerns with time-of-sale requirements that would make it more expensive and time-consuming to purchase a home.

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