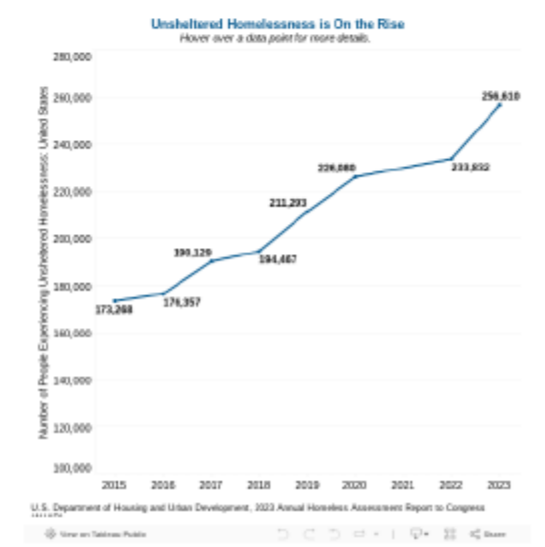


"Building Safer Communities: Protecting the Rights of Our Homeless Neighbors"

- Protecting American Rights**
 Bill 1083 states that a person experiencing homelessness has the right to;
1. use and move freely in public spaces
 2. equal treatment by all State and municipal agencies, without discrimination on the basis of housing status
 3. not face discrimination while seeking or maintaining employment due to the lack of a permanent mailing address

Unsheltered Homelessness

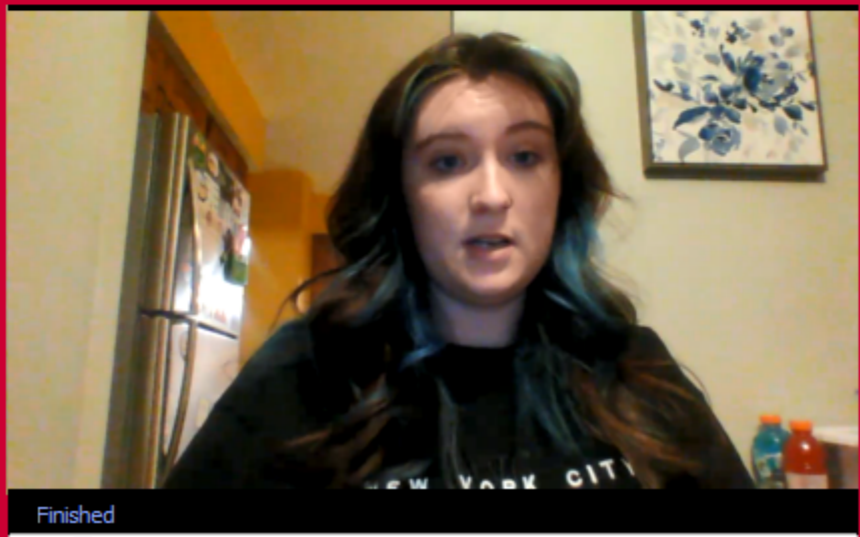
- In 2023, 256,610 people experienced unsheltered homelessness. This is a 9.7% increase from the previous year.
- Homeless populations are susceptible to discrimination and violence at a higher rate than those who are housed
- Many persons have been rendered homeless as a result of economic hardship, a severe shortage of safe and affordable housing, and a shrinking social safety net.



Bill No.1083

"Homeless Bill of Rights"

"(a)ll persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness." - Article 1, paragraph 1, New Jersey Constitution

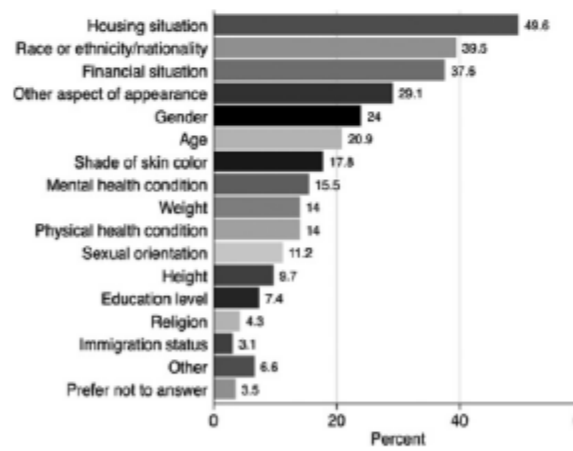


Bill Violations:

Hostile Architecture
 - "An urban-design strategy that utilizes elements of the built environment to intentionally guide or restrict behavior deemed undesirable by urban leaders"



Frequency of reasons for discriminatory experiences reported by respondents who experienced discrimination



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