

**Hughes Center Poll:  
Republicans challenge for a 3<sup>rd</sup> District Assembly seat  
Senate President Sweeney Leads Mulligan by double digits**

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**Galloway, NJ**— Republican challengers in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Legislative District are competing to take a state Assembly seat currently held by a Democratic incumbent, according to a Richard Stockton

However, Republican Gov. Chris Christie is seen very favorably or somewhat favorably by 62 percent. Nearly 37 percent have an unfavorable view of Christie. The governor and Senate president collaborated on legislation that reformed state health and pension benefits, making state workers pay more into the system.

Nearly 53 percent of likely voters have a favorable view of Democratic President Barack Obama, with 47 percent feeling unfavorably about the president.

When asked if the state is going in the right direction, 50 percent said they thought it is and 43 percent said the state is on the wrong track.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> LD Senate Race

Candidate	May	Sept	Nov
	%	%	%
Stephen Sweeney	45.8	47.8	46.4
Michael Mulligan	26.3	29.1	34.2
Someone else	3.1	2.2	4.8
Not sure	24.7	20.8	14.6

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