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SENATE, No. 1679

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 19, 2000

Sponsored by:
Senator RONALD L. RICE
District 28 (Essex)

SYNOPSIS

Provides that five-day grace period for payment of rent by senior citizens and disabled persons shall not include weekends or holidays.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



S1679 RICE

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1 AN ACT concerning the five-day grace period for the payment of rent
2 by certain renters and amending P.L.1976, c.100.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.1) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 1. A person to whom rent is due and payable on the first of the
10 month upon a lease or other agreement shall allow a period of **[5] five**
11 **business** days grace in which the rent due shall be paid. No
12 delinquency or other late charge shall be made which includes the
13 **[5-day] grace period of five business days.**

14 As used in this section, "business day" means means any day other
15 than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday.

16 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.1)

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18 2. Section 3 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.3) is amended to read
19 as follows:

20 3. The provisions of this act shall only be applicable to premises
21 rented or leased by senior citizens receiving Social Security Old Age
22 Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental
23 pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions, and premises
24 rented or leased by disabled persons.

25 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.3)

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27 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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32 This bill provides that the five-day grace period for the payment of
33 rent by senior citizens and disabled persons does not include
34 Saturdays, Sundays or holidays. Under current law, the grace period
35 is a strict five-day time period, and applies only to senior citizen
36 renters. This bill requires that the five-day grace period be five
37 business days, not five calendar days, and apply equally to senior
38 citizen and disabled renters.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

SENATE COMMUNITY AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1679

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 13, 2000

The Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1679.

Under current law, senior citizen lessees who are receiving Social Security Old Age Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions and who are required to pay rent by the first of a month are granted a five-day grace period during which no late charge may be imposed. This bill would clarify that the five-day grace period does not include Saturdays, Sundays or holidays. Additionally, the bill would extend application of the grace period to lessees who are disabled.

ASSEMBLY SENIOR ISSUES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1679

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 1, 2001

The Assembly Senior Issues and Community Services Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 1679.

Under current law, senior citizen lessees who are receiving Social Security Old Age Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions and who are required to pay rent by the first of a month are granted a five-day grace period during which no late charge may be imposed.

In its original form, this bill provided that the five-day grace period applies to five "business days" which would not include Saturdays, Sundays or holidays. The bill also extended the application of the grace period to lessees who are disabled.

The committee amended the bill to delete the term "disabled persons" and replace it with the more specific term "recipients of Social Security Disability Benefits, Supplemental Security Income or benefits under Work First New Jersey" in order to more accurately identify those individuals who would benefit from the five-day grace period. The committee also amended the bill to clarify that the five-day grace period would not include State or federal holidays.

These amendments would make this bill identical to Assembly Bill No.721 (1R).

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 1679

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 19, 2000

Sponsored by:

Senator RONALD L. RICE

District 28 (Essex)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblymen Talarico and Guear

SYNOPSIS

Allows grace period for payment of rent for governmental assistance recipients.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Senior Issues and Community Services Committee on March 1, 2001, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/25/2001)

1 AN ACT concerning the five-day grace period for the payment of rent
2 by certain renters and amending P.L.1976, c.100.

3
4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.1) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 1. A person to whom rent is due and payable on the first of the
10 month upon a lease or other agreement shall allow a period of **[5] five**
11 **business** days grace in which the rent due shall be paid. No
12 delinquency or other late charge shall be made which includes the
13 **[5-day]** grace period of five business days.

14 As used in this section, "business day" means ¹[means]¹ any day
15 other than a Saturday, Sunday or ¹State or federal¹ holiday.

16 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.1)

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18 2. Section 3 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.3) is amended to read
19 as follows:

20 3. The provisions of this act shall only be applicable to premises
21 rented or leased by senior citizens receiving Social Security Old Age
22 Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental
23 pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions, and ¹[premises
24 rented or leased by disabled persons] by recipients of Social Security
25 Disability Benefits, Supplemental Security Income or benefits under
26 Work First New Jersey¹.

27 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.3)

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29 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly ASC committee amendments adopted March 1, 2001.

ASSEMBLY, No. 721

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2000 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman GUY F. TALARICO

District 38 (Bergen)

SYNOPSIS

Allows grace period for payment of rent for governmental assistance recipients.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



A721 TALARICO

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1 AN ACT concerning the grace period for payment of rent and
2 amending P.L.1976, c.100.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 3 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.3) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 3. The provisions of this act shall only be applicable to premises
10 rented or leased by senior citizens receiving Social Security Old Age
11 Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental
12 pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions, and by recipients
13 of Social Security Disability Benefits, Supplemental Security Income
14 or benefits under Work First New Jersey.

15 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.3)

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17 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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22 This bill extends to all governmental assistance recipients,
23 including recipients of Social Security disability benefits, the grace
24 period for payment of rent now granted to senior citizens who receive
25 Social Security payments or other governmental pensions.
26 Governmental assistance recipients are often forced to pay their rent
27 late when their governmental assistance checks arrive late. Under the
28 current law, senior citizens who receive governmental pensions are
29 given a five-day grace period in which rent due on the first of the
30 month may be paid. No delinquency or other late charges may be
31 imposed for any days which include the five-day grace period. This
32 bill would include all governmental assistance recipients in the rental
33 late fee grace period.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

ASSEMBLY SENIOR ISSUES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 721

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 1, 2001

The Assembly Senior Issues and Community Services Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 721.

Under current law, senior citizen lessees who are receiving Social Security Old Age Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions and who are required to pay rent by the first of a month are granted a five-day grace period during which no late charge may be imposed.

In its original form this bill extended the five day grace period to recipients of Social Security disability benefits and recipients of Work First New Jersey. The committee amended the bill to clarify that the five-day grace period applies to five "business days" which would not include Saturdays, Sundays or State or Federal holidays.

These amendments make this bill identical to Senate Bill No. 1679 (1R).

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 2000 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 721

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
209th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2000 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman GUY F. TALARICO

District 38 (Bergen)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Guear

SYNOPSIS

Allows grace period for payment of rent for governmental assistance recipients.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Senior Issues and Community Services Committee on March 1, 2001, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/25/2001)

A721 [1R] TALARICO

2

1 AN ACT concerning the ¹five-day¹ grace period for ¹the¹ payment of
2 rent ¹by certain renters¹ and amending P.L.1976, c.100.

3

4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

6

7 ¹1. Section 1 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.1) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 1. A person to whom rent is due and payable on the first of the
10 month upon a lease or other agreement shall allow a period of **[5]** five
11 business days grace in which the rent due shall be paid. No
12 delinquency or other late charge shall be made which includes the
13 **[5-day]** grace period of five business days.

14 As used in this section, "business day" means any day other than a
15 Saturday, Sunday or State or federal holiday.¹

16 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.1)

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18 ¹**[1]** 2.¹ Section 3 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.3) is amended
19 to read as follows:

20 3. The provisions of this act shall only be applicable to premises
21 rented or leased by senior citizens receiving Social Security Old Age
22 Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental
23 pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions, and by recipients
24 of Social Security Disability Benefits, Supplemental Security Income
25 or benefits under Work First New Jersey.

26 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.3)

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28 ¹**[2.]** 3.¹ This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly ASC committee amendments adopted March 1, 2001.

P.L. 2001, CHAPTER 142, *approved July 10, 2001*

Senate, No. 1679 (*First Reprint*)

1 **AN ACT** concerning the five-day grace period for the payment of rent
2 by certain renters and amending P.L.1976, c.100.

3

4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

6

7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.1) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 1. A person to whom rent is due and payable on the first of the
10 month upon a lease or other agreement shall allow a period of **[5] five**
11 **business** days grace in which the rent due shall be paid. No
12 delinquency or other late charge shall be made which includes the
13 **[5-day] grace period of five business days.**

14 **As used in this section, "business day" means ¹[means]¹ any day**
15 **other than a Saturday, Sunday or ¹State or federal¹ holiday.**

16 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.1)

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18 2. Section 3 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.3) is amended to read
19 as follows:

20 3. The provisions of this act shall only be applicable to premises
21 rented or leased by senior citizens receiving Social Security Old Age
22 Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental
23 pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions, **and ¹[premises**
24 **rented or leased by disabled persons]** by recipients of Social Security
25 **Disability Benefits, Supplemental Security Income or benefits under**
26 **Work First New Jersey¹.**

27 (cf: P.L.1976, c.100, s.3)

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29 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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34 Allows grace period for payment of rent for governmental assistance
35 recipients.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly ASC committee amendments adopted March 1, 2001.

CHAPTER 142

AN ACT concerning the five-day grace period for the payment of rent by certain renters and amending P.L.1976, c.100.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Section 1 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.1) is amended to read as follows:

C.2A:42-6.1 Grace period for payment of rent.

1. A person to whom rent is due and payable on the first of the month upon a lease or other agreement shall allow a period of five business days grace in which the rent due shall be paid. No delinquency or other late charge shall be made which includes the grace period of five business days.

As used in this section, "business day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or State or federal holiday.

2. Section 3 of P.L.1976, c.100 (C.2A:42-6.3) is amended to read as follows:

C.2A:42-6.3 Applicability of act.

3. The provisions of this act shall only be applicable to premises rented or leased by senior citizens receiving Social Security Old Age Pensions, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental pensions in lieu of Social Security Old Age Pensions, and by recipients of Social Security Disability Benefits, Supplemental Security Income or benefits under Work First New Jersey.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved July 10, 2001.

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Office of the Governor
NEWS RELEASE

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RELEASE: July 10 , 2001

Acting Governor Donald T. DiFrancesco signed the following legislation today:

A-3081, sponsored by Senate Majority Leader John Bennett (R-Monmouth) and Senator Diane Allen (R-Burlington/Camden) and Assemblymen John Kelly (R-Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Kevin O'Toole (R-Essex/Union), provides for oversight of "The Home Warranty and Builders' Relocation Act," a state administered program that provides buyers of new homes with warranty protection against defects in the construction or quality of the structural elements of their new home.

The bill also establishes a Board of Trustees to monitor and report on the financial performance of the fund.

S-1679, sponsored by Senator Ronald Rice (D-Essex) and Assemblyman Guy Talarico (R-Bergen), clarifies that the five-day grace period granted on the payment of rent to senior citizen lessees who are receiving Social Security Old Age Pension, Railroad Retirement Pensions or other governmental pension does not include Saturdays, Sundays or holidays. The bill also extends application of the grace period to lessees who are disabled.

S-2155, sponsored by Senators Walter Kavanaugh (R-Morris/Somerset) and John Lynch (D-Middlesex/Somerset/Union), permits judges of the former county court, county juvenile and domestic relations court and county district court who resigned in good standing to perform marriages.

A-1152, sponsored by Senator Norman Robertson (R-Essex/Passaic) and Assemblymen Scott Garrett (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris) and Guy Gregg (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris), clarifies that a trust established for the care of a pet is valid in this state.

A-2267, sponsored by Senator Gerald Cardinale (R-Bergen) and Assemblymen Kip Bateman (R-Morris/Somerset) and Rudy Garcia (D-Hudson), clarifies that the provisions of the "Spill Compensation and Control Act," concerning underground storage tanks applies to one or more storage tanks.

A-2934, sponsored by Senator Andrew Ciesla (R-Monmouth/Ocean) and Assemblymen James Holzapfel (R-Monmouth/Ocean) and David Wolfe (R-Monmouth/Ocean), authorizes a school district to enter into a 10-year lease-purchase agreement for the acquisition of school buses.

A-3098, sponsored by Senator Anthony Bucco (R-Morris) and Assemblymen Richard Merkt (R-Morris) and David Wolfe (R-Monmouth/Ocean), expands the meaning of

public library under the Public Library Project Grant Program to include association libraries, thereby allowing them to apply for funds under the program.

A-3536, sponsored by Senator Peter Inverso (R-Mercer/Middlesex) and Assemblymen James Holzapfel (R-Monmouth/Ocean) and Anthony Impreveduto (D-Bergen/Hudson), modifies the requirements to be eligible to take the public accountant certification examination such as, allowing applicants to take the licensure examination prior to completing the 150 semester hours of education if they apply before July 1, 2005 and have a baccalaureate degree and providing that certified public accountants must pass a registered municipal accountant's examination to qualify as a registered municipal accountant to undertake the work of auditing the financial statements of municipalities and counties.