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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

("The Volunteer"--official song for Volunteer Firemen)

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CHAPTER 90

Bill No. S95

Sponsor(s) Hagedorn and others

Date Introduced Pre-filed

Committee: Assembly State Gov't, Federal & Interstate Relations & Veterans Affairs

Senate State Gov't, Federal & Interstate Relations & Veterans Affairs

Amended during passage ~~Yes~~ No

Date of Passage: Assembly June 17, 1982

Senate March 29, 1982

Date of approval July 28, 1982

Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement Yes ~~No~~

Committee Statement: Assembly ~~Yes~~ No

Senate Yes ~~No~~

Fiscal Note ~~Yes~~ No

Veto Message ~~Yes~~ No

Message on signing *Yes* ~~Yes~~ ~~No~~

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SENATE, No. 95

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1982 SESSION

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skies.

You wonder what has made that noise and which way you  
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The signal just went off, oh no! It's 3:00 a.m. or so.

You put your feet into your shoes, you jump into your clothes.

Where the fire is this time you hope somebody knows.

You grab your coat, you know it's cold, you climb into your car.

It takes a little time before you realize where you are.

The engine starts, your blue light's on, your heart is pounding  
fast.

You wonder just how bad it is; how long will this one last.

Your gear is on, you've made a truck, the siren and air horn wail.  
You've got to put the fire out; at this you cannot fail!  
The flames are growing higher, the air is very hot.  
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SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL AND  
INTERSTATE RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**SENATE, No. 95**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 25, 1982

The sponsor's statement below satisfactorily explains the provisions of the bill.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

RELEASE: IMMEDIATELY

July 28, 1982

Acting Governor Carmen A. Orechio signed the following bills:

Senate Bill No. 95 -- which designates "The Volunteer," by Wayne Swezey as the song of the volunteer firemen.

Senate Bill No. 116 -- which permits a physician to include his name and address in a sign directory separate from the building in which he maintains an office.

Senate Bill No. 1065 -- which establishes quarterly payment schedule for amounts due to Passaic Valley Sewage Commission by municipalities under contract with the Commission.

Senate Bill No. 1259 -- which increases the threshold contract amount from \$2,000 to \$4,500 above which the North Jersey Water Supply Commission must advertise bids.

Senate Bill No. 1428 -- which requires the promulgation of minimum standards for medicare health insurance policies.

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Senate Joint Resolution No. 21 -- which creates a commission to study the statutes and regulations concerning the alcoholic beverage industry.

Assembly Bill No. 49 -- which changes the name of the State Board of Certified Public Accountants to the State Board of Accountancy.

Assembly Bill No. 187 -- which permits professional corporations to utilize the term "a professional corporation" or the abbreviation "P.C."

Assembly Bill No. 234 -- which provides for the protection of certain consumer rights.