

40A:14-117

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

LAWS 40A:14-117 (Legal aid to county park police)

LAWS OF 1977 CHAPTER 455

Bill No. A3078

Sponsor(s) Gregorio and others

Date Introduced February 7, 1977

Committee: Assembly County Gov't.

Senate County & Municipal Gov't.

Amended during passage Yes XX Amendments during passage denoted by asterisks

Date of Passage: Assembly April 25, 1977

Senate Jan. 5, 1978

Date of approval March 2, 1978

Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement Yes XX (Below)

Committee Statement: Assembly Yes XX

Senate Yes XX

Fiscal Note XXX No

Veto message XXX No

Message on signing XXX No

Following were printed:

Reports XXX No

Hearings XXX No

Sponsor's Statement:

This bill would provide to members and officers of county park police departments the same legal aid now provided to members and officers of county police departments.

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ASSEMBLY, No. 3078

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 7, 1977

By Assemblymen GREGORIO, DEVERIN, CALI, T. GALLO,
CODEY, DiFRANCESCO and BASSANO

Referred to Committee on County Government

AN ACT concerning legal aid to members and officers of county
park police departments and amending N. J. S. 40A:14-117.

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

1 1. N. J. S. 40A:14-117 is amended to read as follows:
2 40A:14-117. Whenever a member or officer of a county police,
3 *or county park police*, department or force is a defendant in any
4 action or legal proceeding arising out of or incidental to the per-
5 formance of his duties, ***[the board of chosen freeholders]*** **the*
6 *governing body** of the county, *or county park commission, as the*
7 *case may be*, shall provide said member or officer with necessary
8 means for the defense of such action or proceeding, other than for
9 his defense in a disciplinary proceeding instituted against him by
10 the county *or park commission*, or in a criminal proceeding insti-
11 tuted as a result of a complaint on behalf of the county *or park*
12 *commission*. If any such disciplinary or criminal proceeding insti-
13 tuted by or on complaint of the county *or park commission* shall be
14 dismissed or finally determined in favor of the member or officer,
15 he shall be reimbursed for the expense of his defense.

1 2. 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.

ASSEMBLY COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 3078

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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DATED: APRIL 18, 1977

The committee amendment is technical in nature and serves only to make the bill conform with the Optional County Charter Law, N. J. S. 40:41A-1 et seq.

SENATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 3078
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 1, 1977

Assembly Bill No. 3078 grants to any officer or member of a county park police department or force the same right to assistance for defense in any civil and certain disciplinary or criminal proceedings as is currently available to other local law enforcement officials, including officers and members of county and municipal police departments.

Assistance for legal defense shall, in all instances, be provided to any officer or member in any civil action or proceeding arising out of or incidental to the performance of official duties. In disciplinary or criminal proceedings arising from the performance of such duties, and instituted by or on the complaint of the county park commission, reimbursement for the costs of legal defense shall be provided only upon dismissal of the proceedings or any other disposition of proceedings in favor of the officer or member.