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Bill No. S942

Sponsor(s) Caufield

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Senate Law, Public Safety and Defense

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Senate Yes ~~No~~

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STATEMENT TO
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DATED: MARCH 29, 1982

The purpose of this bill is to permit State investigators who work for the Division of Criminal Justice to administer oaths in matters that involve violations or attempted violations of the criminal laws of the State.

County detectives and investigators are authorized by law to administer oaths in criminal matters (N. J. S. A. 41:2-3.1). Each State investigator, however, must obtain a commission as a notary public each year in order to administer the oaths. Acquiring these commissions is costly to the State. The cost of obtaining a commission as a notary public is \$15.00 per person per year. At the present time, there are 116 State investigators, resulting in an annual cost to the State of \$1,740.00.

This bill was reported favorably by the committee in 1981, and passed by the Senate.

FISCAL NOTE TO
SENATE, No. 942

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 24, 1982

Senate Bill No. 942, of 1982, would permit State investigators employed by the Attorney General in the Division of Criminal Justice to administer oaths in relation to matters involving violations or attempted violations of the criminal laws of this State. Presently, State investigators must obtain a commission as a notary public in order to take such oaths at a cost for each commission.

The Department of Law and Public Safety indicates estimated annual savings of \$600.00/year.

The Office of Legislative Services computes a five year total net savings at only \$2,100.00.

In compliance with written request received, there is hereby submitted a fiscal estimate for the above bill, pursuant to P. L. 1980, c. 67.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

RELEASE: IMMEDIATE

CONTACT: KATHERINE BROKAW

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1983

Governor Thomas H. Kean has signed the following bills:

S-998, sponsored by Senator Walter Rand (D-Camden), requires the Board of Public Utilities to institute a system of audits for gas and electric companies.

The audits would investigate the management and internal procedures of those companies under the Board's jurisdiction. They would occur every three years except when the Board deemed such an audit unnecessary; in that case, an audit would be done no less often than once every six years.

Audits would be carried out by the Board's staff or by a private firm, chosen by the utility from a list supplied by the Board. The expense of the audit would be charged to the utility.

A-520, sponsored by Assemblyman Martin A. Herman (D-Salem), directs the Chancellor of Higher Education to keep records of hazing incidents and other cases of violence in the State's institutions of higher education. The Chancellor shall then report the incidents to the Governor and the Legislature.

Under current law, colleges in New Jersey which have their own campus police are already required to file annual reports with the State Police detailing any instances of violence on their campuses.

S-942, sponsored by Senator John Caufield (D-Essex), allows State Investigators in the Division of Criminal Justice to administer oaths. Previously, they were required to obtain commissions as notaries public in order to have that power.

A-996, sponsored by Assemblyman John Doyle (D-Ocean), gives investigators in the Department of Corrections the power to make police arrests.

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