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SENATE, No. 272

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senator HUGHES

Referred to Committee on Institutions, Public Health and Welfare

AN ACT to amend the title of "An act concerning the aging among the residents of the State, creating a division of the aging, the New Jersey State Commission on Aging and the New Jersey Citizens Council on Aging and prescribing the powers and duties of the said division, commission and council," approved June 6, 1957 (P. L. 1957, c. 72), so that the same shall read "An act concerning the aging among the residents of the State and creating a division on aging and prescribing the powers and duties of the said division," and to amend and supplement the body of said act and repealing certain sections thereof.

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

1 1. The title of "An act concerning the aging among the residents of the
2 State, creating a division of the aging, the New Jersey State Commission
3 on Aging and the New Jersey Citizens Council on Aging and prescribing
4 the powers and duties of the said division, commission and council,"
5 approved June 6, 1957 is amended to read "An act concerning the aging
6 among the residents of the State and creating a division on aging and pre-
7 scribing the powers and duties of the said division."

1 2. Section 1 of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to
2 read as follows:

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

3 1. There is hereby established in the Department of State, a division
4 **[of the]** *on aging* **[among the residents of the State]**, consisting of a di-
5 rector**[,]** *and* the New Jersey State Commission on Aging **[and the**
6 **New Jersey Citizens Council on Aging]**.

1 3. Section 2 of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 2. There is hereby created the New Jersey State Commission on Aging,
4 consisting of **[10]** 9 members.

1 4. Section 3 of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 3. The members of the **[advisory commission]** *Commission on Aging*
4 and the director shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and
5 consent of the Senate**[,]** and of the members of the advisory commission, 6
6 should be representatives from the Department of Health, the Department
7 of Institutions and Agencies, the Department of Education, the Department
8 of Conservation and Economic Development, the Department of Labor and
9 Industry and the Department of the Treasury. The representatives from
10 the said departments shall be recommended to the Governor by the
11 respective heads of the departments. In the making of said recommendations
12 there shall be taken into consideration the direct concern with the needs of
13 the older residents of the State of the personnel of said departments with a
14 view of obtaining interdepartmental co-ordination in respect to the functions
15 of the commission**]**. The **[remaining 4]** members of the **[advisory]** commis-
16 sion shall be selected **[at large]** from among the **[interested]** citizens of the
17 State *who have demonstrated interest in the problems of aging. There shall*
18 *be 2 legislative ex-officio members of the commission, one appointed by the*
19 *President of the Senate and one appointed by the Speaker of the General*
20 *Assembly. The legislative ex-officio members shall be appointed for their term*
21 *of office. The director shall be [a] an ex-officio member of the advisory*
21A *commission and shall serve as its chairman.*

22 **【**The 4 members at large first to be appointed shall be appointed for
23 terms expiring on July 1, 1, 2, 3 and 4 years after the year of appointment,
24 respectively, and in making the appointment there shall be a designation of
25 the number of years to be served by the appointee. The successors of the 4
26 members first so appointed shall be each for a term of 4 years.**】** *Three mem-*
27 *bers of the commission shall be appointed for 1 year, 3 for 2 years and 3 for*
28 *3 years, and their successors shall be appointed for terms of 3 years. All*
29 *members may holdover and serve on the commission after the expiration of*
30 *their respective terms, until their respective successors are appointed and*
31 *shall qualify.* Vacancies occurring other than by expiration of term shall be
32 filled for the unexpired term. **【**The members who represent departments
33 shall serve so long as they are still officials or employees of the depart-
34 ments they represent, but the department representative may be changed by
35 direction of the head of the department, with the approval of the Governor.
36 The advice and consent of the Senate shall not be required in the case of
37 the appointment of a representative from a department of a change in such
38 representative.**】**

1 5. Section 4 of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 4. The members of the **【**advisory commission**】** *Commission on Aging*
4 shall serve without compensation, but the members of the commission**【**,
5 other than those representing one of the said departments,**】** shall be entitled
6 to reimbursement for their necessary expenses incurred in the performance
7 of their duties as such members. **【**The members of the commission who rep-
8 resent the said departments shall be entitled to reimbursement for their
9 necessary expenses in performing their duties as members of the commission
10 from the department which they represent, respectively, as in the case of
11 other departmental expenses and for this purpose such expenses shall be
12 deemed to be department expenses.**】**

1 6. Section 5 of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 5. The director shall be deemed to be a full-time State official and he
4 shall be paid such compensation as shall be provided by law. [His term of
5 office shall be 5 years.] *The director shall serve during the term of office of*
6 *the Governor but he shall continue in office after the expiration of his term*
7 *until his successor shall be appointed and shall qualify; provided, however,*
8 *that the director in office on the effective date of this act shall complete the*
9 *term to which he was appointed.*

1 7. Section 7 of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 7. The division [and the commission] shall:

4 (1) Maintain a continuous study, analysis and interpretation of all
5 information, data, programs and developments pertaining to the aging pro-
6 cesses and the needs of the older residents of New Jersey;

7 (2) Maintain a continuous inventory of resources in any way available
8 which can be drawn upon to carry out the program of the [commission]
9 *division* in the performance of its functions and duties;

10 (3) Serve as the central permanent agency for the *planning and co-*
11 *ordination* of programs and services for the older residents in the State,
12 particularly in respect to those which multiple governmental agencies or pri-
13 vate organizations may contribute;

14 (4) Provide leadership and administrative direction to such efforts from
15 one central source so that those who need help or who may provide help on
16 any of the aspects of aging shall have a central point of contact;

17 (5) Serve as a communications clearing house for information in the
18 large and complex fields of human relationships in respect to aging;

19 (6) Disseminate and publicize organized information of value to the
20 public generally and to all groups concerned in any way with the diverse
21 subject of aging;

22 (7) Consult with, advise and otherwise provide professional assistance
23 to organized efforts by communities, organizations, associations and groups
24 who are working toward any and all forms of assistance to the aging;

25 (8) Hold public hearings when necessary to further the objectives con-
26 sonant with the provisions of this act;

27 (9) Co-operate and consult with such other departments of State or
28 Federal Government to the extent necessary to attain the objectives of this
29 act.

1 8. Section 8 of the act of which this act is amendatory is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 8. The staff of the division [and the commission] should be qualified
4 [not only to meet the commission's needs but also should be able] to provide
5 consultative and advisory assistance to other State agencies and to local
6 agencies or organizations which are developing or improving their partic-
7 ular services to the aging. In addition to the director and necessary clerical
8 personnel, the staff should include [a] such professionally trained persons
9 [in each of the following fields: medicine and public health; social welfare
10 services; employment and the related socioeconomics of older persons;
11 education and communications] as shall be necessary to carry out the pur-
12 poses of this act.

1 9. The commission shall:

2 (1) Furnish consultation and advice to the Division on Aging on pro-
3 grams designed to carry out the division's mandate.

3A (2) Provide leadership in the field of aging.

4 (3) Make recommendations to the Governor and Legislature regarding
5 new legislation needed in areas related to aging.

6 (4) Maintain liaison with other commissions and groups whose activi-
7 ties relate to the broad field of aging.

1 10. The Secretary of State, subject to the approval of the Governor, is
2 authorized, on behalf of the State of New Jersey, to enter into agreements
3 with the Federal Government or any agency thereof, under which the Divi-
4 sion on Aging (1) will provide or otherwise secure the adoption of such
5 programs consonant with the objectives of this act and (2) will receive re-
6 imbursement from the United States for any such costs incurred, expenses

7 paid or allowances and benefits paid in connection with said programs in
8 accordance with said agreement and the laws of this State or of the United
9 States.

1 11. Sections 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of the act to which this act is amenda-
2 tory and supplementary are hereby repealed.

1 12. This act shall take effect immediately.