

March 10, 1965

R.S. 31:1-1

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LEGISLATIVE NOTE ON R.S. 31:1-1
(Usury) (1953 Amendment)

L. 1953, Chapter 150, 1 - A445
Introduced March 16 by Thomas, Evans, Knight, Cahill.
Not amended during passage.
This bill had statement:

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March 25, 1953 - Passed Assembly
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ASSEMBLY, No. 445

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INTRODUCED MARCH 16, 1953

By Messrs. THOMAS, EVANS, KNIGHT and CAHILL

Referred to Committee on Banking

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2 *Jersey:*

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5 of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a year, and after that rate for a greater
6 or less sum or for longer or shorter time. When, however, pursuant to any
7 such contract, interest or discount is taken or reserved for a period of less
8 than one year, or when interest is required to be paid at intervals of less than
9 one year, such interest or discount may be computed on a daily basis, or on a
10 monthly basis, or on a combination of both such bases when the period for
11 which interest or discount is taken or reserved contains one or more months
12 and one or more days; and, in any such case, a day shall be deemed to be one
13 three hundredth and sixtieth part of a year, and a month shall be deemed to be
twelfth part of a year, regardless of the number of days contained in
computation of interest or discount made on any such basis

16 shall constitute a compliance with this section, and any such basis may be ap-
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18 than one year from the time of making the loan.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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