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Assembly, No. 179

1 **AN ACT** concerning public access to information concerning water
2 purveyors and supplementing P.L.2017, c.133 (C.58:31-1 et
3 seq.).
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16 P.L.2017, c.133 (C.58:31-7).

17 b. The department shall publish the documents required
18 pursuant to subsection a. of this section no later than 30 days after
19 receipt of the documents from a water purveyor.
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ASSEMBLY, No. 179

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

220th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2022 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman LINDA S. CARTER
District 22 (Middlesex, Somerset and Union)
Assemblyman WILLIAM F. MOEN, JR.
District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)
Assemblywoman SHAVONDA E. SUMTER
District 35 (Bergen and Passaic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Karabinchak

SYNOPSIS

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ASSEMBLY SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE
AND NATURAL RESOURCES

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 179

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DATED: MARCH 10, 2022

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SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 179

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 16, 2023

The Senate Environment and Energy Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 179.

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As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 752, as also reported by the committee.

SENATE, No. 752

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Sponsored by:

Senator JOSEPH A. LAGANA

District 38 (Bergen and Passaic)

Senator LINDA R. GREENSTEIN

District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)

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Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

05/8/2023

TRENTON – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

- S-142/A-4341 (Diegnan, Pou/Freiman, Moriarty, Mosquera)** - Modernizes business filing statutes to include entity conversion and domestication
- S-435/A-392 (Smith, Greenstein/Danielsen)** - Authorizes certain local authorities to distribute live recordings of certain public hearings in lieu of transcript requirement
- S-660/A-2438 (Oroho, Gopal/Wirths, DeAngelo, Space)** - Establishes that "100 percent Disabled Veterans" are not required to submit to MVC certain documentation to renew park privileges
- S-1033/A-2682 (Vitale, Ruiz/Mukherji, Benson, McKnight)** - Establishes "Alzheimer's and Dementia Care Long-Term Advisory Commission" in DHS
- S-2396/A-3810 (Madden, Zwicker/Moen, Mosquera, Danielsen)** - Provides for oversight and improvement of administration of unemployment compensation
- S-2423/A-3746 (Pou/McKeon, Calabrese)** - Allows local government deferred compensation plans to invest in collective investment trusts
- A-179/S-752 (Carter, Moen, Sumter/Lagana, Greenstein)** - Requires DEP to make certain information regarding water purveyors available on its Internet website
- A-1463/S-1810 (Lopez, Speight, McKnight/Ruiz, Singleton)** - Clarifies penalties for certain violations of pretrial release; directs prosecutor to provide written notice of release to v
- A-1791/S-3306 (DeAngelo, Verrelli, McKnight/Turner, Greenstein)** - Establishes "Career and Technical Education Scholar Awards" to annually recognize outstanding career and technical education students
- A-3494/S-2381 (Dancer, Moriarty, Haider/Diegnan)** - Allows license plate frame to obscure certain parts of permanent or temporary license plate under certain conditions
- A-3946/S-340 (Quijano, Calabrese, Carter/Singleton, Turner)** - Decouples State tax provisions from federal prohibition on cannabis business deductions
- A-4132/S-3426 (Stanley, Jaffer, Atkins/Cruz-Perez, Turner)** - Establishes NJ Agricultural Literacy Week
- A-4184/S-2827 (Tully/Greenstein, Turner)** - Requires DCA to allow hiring of information technology and cybersecurity professionals pursuant to shared service incentive programs
- ACS for A-4756/S-3262 (Spearman, Wimberly, Reynolds-Jackson/Burgess, Ruiz)** - Requires Division of Children's System of Care to establish training program for employees of emergency shelters for homeless
- A-4836/S-3417 (Speight, Atkins, Wimberly/Greenstein, Stanfield)** - Requires Office of Emergency Management to incorporate into State Emergency Operations Plan framework to address cybersecurity incidents
- A-4935/S-3335 (Benson, Spearman, Haider/Johnson, Diegnan)** - Concerns electronic transmission of crash reports
- Governor Murphy conditionally vetoed the following bill:
- S-3110/A-4783 (Smith, Codey/McKeon, Kennedy, Chaparro) - CONDITIONAL** - Requires sellers of real property and landlords to make certain notifications regarding flooding