

18A:64E-4

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

**NJSA:** 18A:64E-4 (NJ Institute of Technology-- Board of Trustees)

**LAWS OF:** 1987 **CHAPTER:** 316

**Bill No:** S3462

**Sponsor(s):** Feldman

**Date Introduced:** June 18, 1987

**Committee:** **Assembly:** -----  
**Senate:** Education

**Amended during passage:** No

**Date of Passage:** **Assembly:** November 30, 1987  
**Senate:** November 12, 1987

**Date of Approval:** December 15, 1987

**Following statements are attached if available:**

**Sponsor statement:** Yes

**Committee statement:** **Assembly** No  
**Senate** Yes

**Fiscal Note:** No

**Veto Message:** No

**Message on Signing:** No

**Following were printed:**

**Reports:** No

**Hearings:** No

SENATE, No. 3462  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JUNE 18, 1987

By Senator FELDMAN

Referred to Committee on Education

AN ACT concerning the membership of the board of trustees of the  
New Jersey Institute of Technology and amending N. J. S.  
18A:64E-4.

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

1 1. N. J. S. 18A:64E-4 is amended to read as follows:

2 18A:64E-4. There shall be a board of trustees of each of such  
3 schools, which shall consist of the Governor and the mayor or  
4 other chief executive officer of the municipality in which the school  
5 is located, as ex officio members, and **[eight]** *10* other **[persons.]**  
6 *citizens of the State, not more than five or whom shall be resi-*  
7 *dents of* **[** *or whose business interests are in,* **]** the county in which  
8 such school is located, to be appointed by the Governor for terms  
9 of four years which shall commence on July 1 and expire on June  
10 30 **[except that the first members appointed to any such board**  
11 **shall be appointed two for terms of one year, two for terms of**  
12 **two years, two for terms of three years and two for terms of four**  
13 **years, commencing and expiring accordingly].** All trustees shall  
14 serve after the expiration of their terms and until their successors  
15 shall have been appointed and qualified. Trustees appointed by  
16 the Governor may be removed from office by him, for cause, after  
17 notice and opportunity to be heard. Any vacancy that may occur

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

18 in the board of trustees shall be filled by appointment in like  
19 manner for the unexpired term only.

20 *For the first appointments made to fill the two additional board*  
21 *memberships established pursuant to this act, one member shall*  
22 *be appointed for a three year term and one member shall be ap-*  
23 *pointed for a four year term.*

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

This bill expands the membership of the board of trustees of the New Jersey Institute of Technology (N. J. I. T.) from eight to 10 public members. It also provides that not more than five of the board members may be residents of Essex county. This revision has the support of the current board of trustees of N. J. I. T.

N. J. I. T. is now a major State institution of higher education with a national reputation as a technical institute, and the expanded board will permit the appointment of qualified individuals who cannot serve under the present law solely because they do not reside in or have business interests in the county.

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#### HIGHER EDUCATION

Changes the membership of the board of trustees of the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

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SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
STATEMENT TO  
**SENATE, No. 3462**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: NOVEMBER 9, 1987

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 3462 without Senate committee amendments.

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Currently, the board consists of the Governor, the mayor, and eight public members appointed by the Governor. The public members must be residents of, or have business interests in, the county in which the school is located. The modern composition of the board was first established in 1952. At that time, the public members had to be residents of the city of Newark. This was expanded in 1955 to allow residents of the county or individuals with business interests in the county to serve on the board. The expansion of eligibility for board membership provided for in this bill reflects the change in the nature of the institution from the Newark College of Engineering to a major State institution of higher education.

This bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4379 which is on second reading in the Assembly.