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**ASSEMBLY, No. 2168**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**214th LEGISLATURE**

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 11, 2010

**Sponsored by:**

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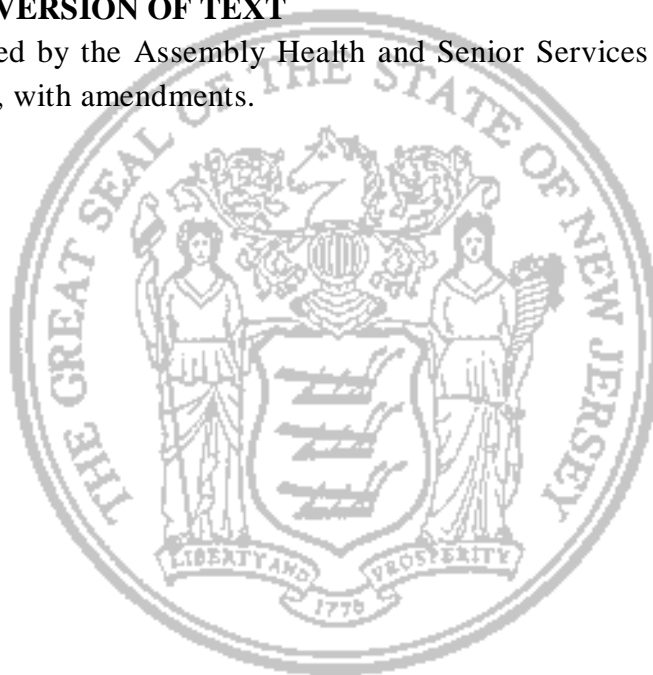
**Senators Weinberg, Ruiz, Allen, Beach, Goodwin, Gordon, S.Kean,  
Madden, Rice, Singer, Vitale and Whelan**

**SYNOPSIS**

Jaden's Law; requires DHSS to prepare online brochure about the option to donate bone marrow.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee on May 6, 2010, with amendments.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/11/2010)**

1 AN ACT concerning bone marrow donation and designated as  
2 Jaden's Law, and supplementing <sup>1</sup>~~Titles~~ Title<sup>1</sup> 26 <sup>1</sup>~~and 45~~<sup>1</sup>  
3 of the Revised Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:

7  
8 1. a. The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services shall  
9 prepare an online brochure for display on the Internet website of the  
10 Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon information  
11 derived from the National Marrow Donor Program, or NMDP,  
12 which may be downloaded by physicians <sup>1</sup>and utilized by the  
13 commissioner<sup>1</sup> for the purposes of <sup>1</sup>~~section 2 of~~  
14 P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this act)  
15 subsection c. of this section<sup>1</sup>, and shall be designed to inform  
16 patients of the option to become a bone marrow or peripheral blood  
17 stem cell, or PBSC, donor by registering with the NMDP and to  
18 answer common questions about bone marrow and peripheral blood  
19 stem cell, or PBSC, donation.

20 b. The brochure shall describe:

21 (1) the health benefits to the community from making a bone  
22 marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;

23 (2) how to register with the NMDP;

24 (3) the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation  
25 through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the  
26 donor or the donor's family for making the donation;

27 (4) the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may  
28 receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and

29 (5) any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the  
30 commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of this act.

31 <sup>1</sup>c. The commissioner, within the limits of resources available to  
32 the Department of Health and Senior Services for this purpose, shall  
33 seek to promote awareness among physicians and the general public  
34 in this State about the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC  
35 donor. In doing so, the commissioner shall consult with at least the  
36 following: the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Institute of  
37 Medicine and Public Health of New Jersey, the NMDP, and other  
38 organizations that are seeking to increase bone marrow and PBSC  
39 donation among various ethnic groups within the State in need of  
40 these donations.<sup>1</sup>

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42 <sup>1</sup>~~2.~~ a. A physician, as early as practicable in the physician's  
43 therapeutic relationship with a patient and unless the physician  
44 reasonably believes that bone marrow or peripheral blood stem cell,

**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 underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly AHE committee amendments adopted May 6, 2010.

1 or PBSC, donation would threaten the health of the patient, shall  
2 provide a copy of the brochure prepared by the Commissioner of  
3 Health and Senior Services pursuant to section 1 of  
4 P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this act) to  
5 every patient:

6 (1) who is known by the physician to be at least 18 years of age  
7 but no older than 60 years of age; and

8 (2) who the physician anticipates will be admitted to a hospital  
9 for an elective orthopedic procedure or treatment or otherwise  
10 believes is an appropriate candidate for bone marrow or PBSC  
11 donation; or for whom the physician otherwise believes bone  
12 marrow or PBSC donation is appropriate to the patient's medical  
13 circumstances or is desired by the patient.

14 The physician shall offer to discuss the information contained in  
15 the brochure with the patient.

16 b. The provisions of subsection a. of this section shall not be  
17 construed to apply to a physician who is directly affiliated with a  
18 religious denomination that adheres to the tenet that bone marrow  
19 or PBSC transfer is contrary to the moral principles which the  
20 denomination considers to be an essential part of its beliefs and  
21 practices.】<sup>1</sup>

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23 <sup>1</sup>[3.] 2.<sup>1</sup> This act shall take effect on the 90th day following  
24 enactment.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2168

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 11, 2010

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblywoman VALERIE VAINIERI HUTTLE**  
**District 37 (Bergen)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Jaden's Law; requires physicians to advise certain patients of option to donate bone marrow.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning bone marrow donation and designated as  
2 Jaden's Law, and supplementing Titles 26 and 45 of the Revised  
3 Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:

7

8 1. a. The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services shall  
9 prepare an online brochure for display on the Internet website of the  
10 Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon information  
11 derived from the National Marrow Donor Program, or NMDP,  
12 which may be downloaded by physicians for the purposes of section  
13 2 of P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this act),  
14 and shall be designed to inform patients of the option to become a  
15 bone marrow or peripheral blood stem cell, or PBSC, donor by  
16 registering with the NMDP and to answer common questions about  
17 bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell, or PBSC, donation.

18 b. The brochure shall describe:

19 (1) the health benefits to the community from making a bone  
20 marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;

21 (2) how to register with the NMDP;

22 (3) the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation  
23 through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the  
24 donor or the donor's family for making the donation;

25 (4) the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may  
26 receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and

27 (5) any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the  
28 commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of this act.

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30 2. a. A physician, as early as practicable in the physician's  
31 therapeutic relationship with a patient and unless the physician  
32 reasonably believes that bone marrow or peripheral blood stem cell,  
33 or PBSC, donation would threaten the health of the patient, shall  
34 provide a copy of the brochure prepared by the Commissioner of  
35 Health and Senior Services pursuant to section 1 of  
36 P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this act) to  
37 every patient:

38 (1) who is known by the physician to be at least 18 years of age  
39 but no older than 60 years of age; and

40 (2) who the physician anticipates will be admitted to a hospital  
41 for an elective orthopedic procedure or treatment or otherwise  
42 believes is an appropriate candidate for bone marrow or PBSC  
43 donation; or for whom the physician otherwise believes bone  
44 marrow or PBSC donation is appropriate to the patient's medical  
45 circumstances or is desired by the patient.

46 The physician shall offer to discuss the information contained in  
47 the brochure with the patient.

48 b. The provisions of subsection a. of this section shall not be

1 construed to apply to a physician who is directly affiliated with a  
2 religious denomination that adheres to the tenet that bone marrow  
3 or PBSC transfer is contrary to the moral principles which the  
4 denomination considers to be an essential part of its beliefs and  
5 practices.

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7 3. This act shall take effect on the 90th day following  
8 enactment.

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11 STATEMENT

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13 This bill, which is designated as Jaden's Law, is designed to  
14 promote awareness among patients of their option to become bone  
15 marrow and peripheral blood stem cell (PBSC) donors.

16 The bill provides specifically as follows:

17 • The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services is to prepare an  
18 online brochure for display on the Internet website of the  
19 Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon  
20 information derived from the National Marrow Donor Program,  
21 or NMDP, which may be downloaded by physicians for the  
22 purposes of this bill, and is to be designed to inform patients of  
23 the option to become a bone marrow or peripheral blood stem  
24 cell, or PBSC, donor by registering with the NMDP and to answer  
25 common questions about bone marrow and peripheral blood stem  
26 cell, or PBSC, donation.

27 • The brochure is to describe:

28 -- the health benefits to the community from making a bone  
29 marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;

30 -- how to register with the NMDP;

31 -- the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation  
32 through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the  
33 donor or the donor's family for making the donation;

34 -- the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may  
35 receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and

36 -- any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the  
37 commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of the bill.

38 • A physician, as early as practicable in the physician's therapeutic  
39 relationship with a patient and unless the physician reasonably  
40 believes that bone marrow or PBSC donation would threaten the  
41 health of the patient, is directed to provide a copy of the brochure  
42 prepared by the Commissioner of Health and Senior Services  
43 pursuant to this bill to every patient:

44 -- who is known by the physician to be at least 18 years of age  
45 but no older than 60 years of age; and

46 -- who the physician anticipates will be admitted to a hospital  
47 for an elective orthopedic procedure or treatment or otherwise  
48 believes is an appropriate candidate for bone marrow or PBSC



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- 1 donation; or for whom the physician otherwise believes bone  
2 marrow or PBSC donation is appropriate to the patient's medical  
3 circumstances or is desired by the patient.
- 4 • The physician is further directed to offer to discuss the  
5 information contained in the brochure with the patient.
  - 6 • The provisions of this bill are not to be construed to apply to a  
7 physician who is directly affiliated with a religious denomination  
8 that adheres to the tenet that bone marrow or PBSC transfer is  
9 contrary to the moral principles which the denomination  
10 considers to be an essential part of its beliefs and practices.
  - 11 • The bill takes effect on the 90th day following enactment.

# ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### ASSEMBLY, No. 2168

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 6, 2010

The Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2168.

As amended by the committee, this bill, which is designated as Jaden's Law, is designed to promote awareness among patients of their option to become bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell (PBSC) donors.

The bill provides specifically as follows:

- The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services is to prepare an online brochure for display on the Internet website of the Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon information derived from the National Marrow Donor Program, or NMDP, which may be downloaded by physicians and utilized by the commissioner for the purposes of this bill, and is to be designed to inform patients of the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC donor by registering with the NMDP and to answer common questions about bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell, or PBSC, donation.
- The brochure is to describe:
  - the health benefits to the community from making a bone marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;
  - how to register with the NMDP;
  - the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the donor or the donor's family for making the donation;
  - the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and
  - any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of the bill.
- The commissioner, within the limits of resources available to the Department of Health and Senior Services for this purpose, is to seek to promote awareness among physicians and the general public in this State about the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC donor. In doing so, the commissioner is to consult with at least the following: the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Institute of Medicine and Public Health of New Jersey, the NMDP, and other

organizations that are seeking to increase bone marrow and PBSC donation among various ethnic groups within the State in need of these donations.

- The bill takes effect on the 90th day following enactment.

#### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amendments to the bill:

-- delete the requirement that a physician provide a patient with a copy of the brochure prepared by the Commissioner of Health and Senior Services and offer to discuss with the patient the information contained in the brochure; and

-- require, instead, that the commissioner: within the limits of resources available to the Department of Health and Senior Services for this purpose, seek to promote awareness among physicians and the general public in this State about the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC donor; and, in doing so, consult with at least the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Institute of Medicine and Public Health of New Jersey, the NMDP, and other organizations seeking to increase bone marrow and PBSC donation among various ethnic groups within the State in need of these donations.

SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR  
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

**ASSEMBLY, No. 2168**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2010

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2168 (1R).

This bill, which is designated as Jaden's Law, is designed to promote awareness among patients of their option to become bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell (PBSC) donors.

The bill provides specifically as follows:

- The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services is to prepare an online brochure for display on the Internet website of the Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon information derived from the National Marrow Donor Program, or NMDP, which may be downloaded by physicians and utilized by the commissioner for the purposes of this bill, and is to be designed to inform patients of the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC donor by registering with the NMDP and to answer common questions about bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell, or PBSC, donation.
- The brochure is to describe:
  - the health benefits to the community from making a bone marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;
  - how to register with the NMDP;
  - the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the donor or the donor's family for making the donation;
  - the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and
  - any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of the bill.
- The commissioner, within the limits of resources available to the Department of Health and Senior Services for this purpose, is to seek to promote awareness among physicians and the general public in this State about the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC donor. In doing so, the commissioner is to consult with at least the following: the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Institute of Medicine and Public Health of New Jersey, the NMDP, and other

organizations that are seeking to increase bone marrow and PBSC donation among various ethnic groups within the State in need of these donations.

- The bill takes effect on the 90th day following enactment.

# SENATE, No. 2038

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 3, 2010

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator LORETTA WEINBERG**

**District 37 (Bergen)**

**Senator M. TERESA RUIZ**

**District 29 (Essex and Union)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senators Allen, Beach, Goodwin, Gordon, S.Kean, Madden, Rice, Singer,  
Vitale and Whelan**

**SYNOPSIS**

Jaden's Law; requires DHSS to prepare online brochure about the option to donate bone marrow.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/11/2010)**

1 AN ACT concerning bone marrow donation and designated as  
2 Jaden's Law, and supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services shall  
8 prepare an online brochure for display on the Internet website of the  
9 Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon information  
10 derived from the National Marrow Donor Program, or NMDP,  
11 which may be downloaded by physicians and utilized by the  
12 commissioner for the purposes of subsection c. of this section, and  
13 shall be designed to inform patients of the option to become a bone  
14 marrow or peripheral blood stem cell, or PBSC, donor by  
15 registering with the NMDP and to answer common questions about  
16 bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell, or PBSC, donation.

17 b. The brochure shall describe:

18 (1) the health benefits to the community from making a bone  
19 marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;

20 (2) how to register with the NMDP;

21 (3) the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation  
22 through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the  
23 donor or the donor's family for making the donation;

24 (4) the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may  
25 receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and

26 (5) any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the  
27 commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of this act.

28 c. The commissioner, within the limits of resources available to  
29 the Department of Health and Senior Services for this purpose, shall  
30 seek to promote awareness among physicians and the general public  
31 in this State about the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC  
32 donor. In doing so, the commissioner shall consult with at least the  
33 following: the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Institute of  
34 Medicine and Public Health of New Jersey, the NMDP, and other  
35 organizations that are seeking to increase bone marrow and PBSC  
36 donation among various ethnic groups within the State in need of  
37 these donations.

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39 2. This act shall take effect on the 90th day following  
40 enactment.

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STATEMENT

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45 This bill, which is designated as Jaden's Law, is designed to  
46 promote awareness among patients of their option to become bone  
47 marrow and peripheral blood stem cell (PBSC) donors.

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2 online brochure for display on the Internet website of the  
3 Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon  
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5 or NMDP, which may be downloaded by physicians and utilized  
6 by the commissioner for the purposes of this bill, and is to be  
7 designed to inform patients of the option to become a bone  
8 marrow or PBSC donor by registering with the NMDP and to  
9 answer common questions about bone marrow and peripheral  
10 blood stem cell, or PBSC, donation.
- 11 • The brochure is to describe:
- 12 -- the health benefits to the community from making a bone  
13 marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;
- 14 -- how to register with the NMDP;
- 15 -- the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation  
16 through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the  
17 donor or the donor's family for making the donation;
- 18 -- the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may  
19 receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and
- 20 -- any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the  
21 commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of the bill.
- 22 • The commissioner, within the limits of resources available to the  
23 Department of Health and Senior Services for this purpose, is to  
24 seek to promote awareness among physicians and the general  
25 public in this State about the option to become a bone marrow or  
26 PBSC donor. In doing so, the commissioner is to consult with at  
27 least the following: the Medical Society of New Jersey, the  
28 Institute of Medicine and Public Health of New Jersey, the  
29 NMDP, and other organizations that are seeking to increase bone  
30 marrow and PBSC donation among various ethnic groups within  
31 the State in need of these donations.
- 32 • The bill takes effect on the 90th day following enactment.



SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR  
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 2038**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2010

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2038.

This bill, which is designated as Jaden's Law, is designed to promote awareness among patients of their option to become bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell (PBSC) donors.

The bill provides specifically as follows:

- The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services is to prepare an online brochure for display on the Internet website of the Department of Health and Senior Services, based upon information derived from the National Marrow Donor Program, or NMDP, which may be downloaded by physicians and utilized by the commissioner for the purposes of this bill, and is to be designed to inform patients of the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC donor by registering with the NMDP and to answer common questions about bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell, or PBSC, donation.
- The brochure is to describe:
  - the health benefits to the community from making a bone marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP;
  - how to register with the NMDP;
  - the procedures for making a bone marrow or PBSC donation through the NMDP, including notice that there is no charge to the donor or the donor's family for making the donation;
  - the circumstances and procedures by which a patient may receive a transfusion of the patient's previously donated blood; and
  - any other aspects of bone marrow or PBSC donation that the commissioner deems appropriate for the purposes of the bill.
- The commissioner, within the limits of resources available to the Department of Health and Senior Services for this purpose, is to seek to promote awareness among physicians and the general public in this State about the option to become a bone marrow or PBSC donor. In doing so, the commissioner is to consult with at least the following: the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Institute of Medicine and Public Health of New Jersey, the NMDP, and other organizations that are seeking to increase bone marrow and PBSC

donation among various ethnic groups within the State in need of these donations.

- The bill takes effect on the 90th day following enactment.

This bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 2168 (1R) (Vainieri Huttle/Quijano), which the committee also reported favorably on this date.