



# SENATE, No. 252

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2000 SESSION

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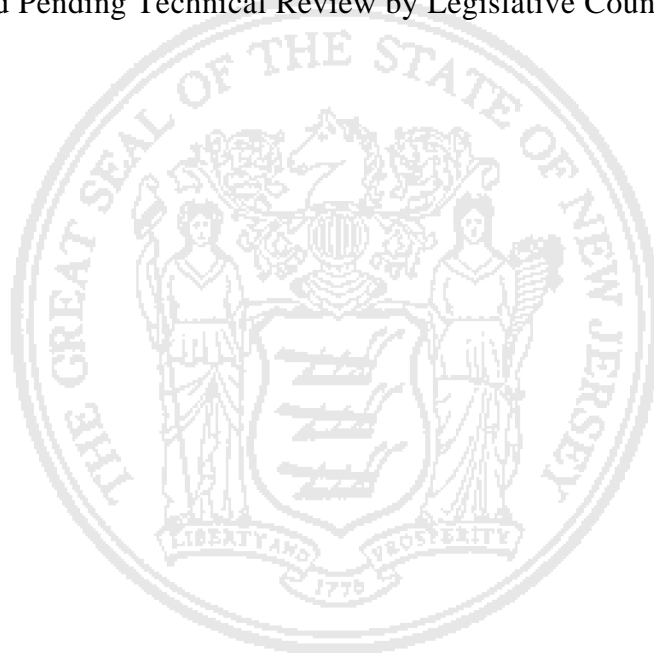
**Senator Bucco**

**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that the family court has discretion to order performance of community service in addition to incarceration for certain delinquent child support obligors.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT concerning community service under certain circumstances  
2 and supplementing Title 2A of the New Jersey 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. In addition to incarceration of a person found by the court to be  
8 in contempt of a support order issued by the Superior Court, Chancery  
9 Division, Family Part, the court may order such person to perform  
10 community service for part, or all, of the person's period of  
11 incarceration.

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13 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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18 This bill concerns persons who are found in contempt of court for  
19 refusal to pay court-ordered child support and who may be ordered by  
20 the family court to be incarcerated in the county jail until their  
21 obligations are paid. The bill would provide that, in addition to a  
22 period of incarceration, the court would have discretion to order such  
23 persons to perform community services.

SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 252**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JANUARY 31, 2000

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 252.

Persons who are found in contempt of court for refusal to pay court-ordered child support may be ordered by the family court to be incarcerated in the county jail until their obligations are paid. The bill would provide that, in addition to a period of incarceration, the court would have discretion to order such persons to perform community service.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 2000 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.

ASSEMBLY SENIOR ISSUES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 252**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MARCH 2, 2000

The Assembly Senior Issues and Community Services Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 252.

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This bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 2172.

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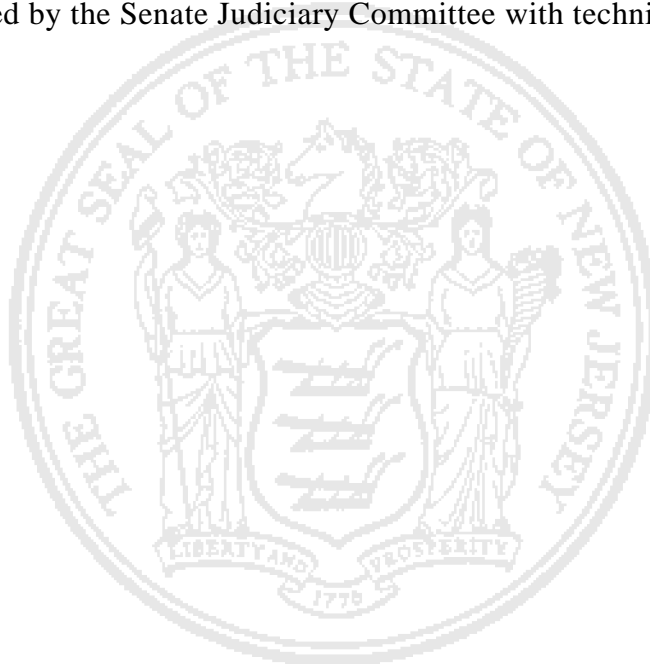
**Senators Bucco, O'Connor, Matheussen and Assemblyman Cottrell**

**SYNOPSIS**

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**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/17/2000)**

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P.L. 2000, CHAPTER 19, *approved May 1, 2000*  
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20 child support obligors.



## CHAPTER 19

**AN ACT** concerning community service under certain circumstances and supplementing Title 2A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

C.2A:34-23e Delinquent child support obligors, community service in addition to incarceration for contempt.

1. In addition to incarceration of a person found by the court to be in contempt of a support order issued by the Superior Court, Chancery Division, Family Part, the court may order such person to perform community service for part, or all, of the person's period of incarceration.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved May 1, 2000.

*Office of the Governor*  
**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Gov. Whitman Signed Legislation**

Gov. Christie Whitman today signed the following piece of legislation:

**S-252**, sponsored by Senators John O. Bennett (R-Monmouth) and Diane B. Allen (R-Burlington/Camden) and Assembly Member Melvin Cottrell (R-Burlington), codifies into law the existing authority of the family court to order performance of community service in addition to incarceration for certain delinquent child support obligators.