

18A:14-6.1

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA 18A:14-6.1 (Election officers--require training in use of voting machines)

LAWS 1981 CHAPTER 99

Bill No. A1758

Sponsor(s) Bennett and others

Date Introduced June 9, 1980

Committee: Assembly Education

Senate Education

Amended during passage Yes No

Date of Passage: Assembly Nov. 10, 1980

Senate Feb. 23, 1981

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Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement Yes ~~No~~ (Below)

Committee Statement: Assembly Yes ~~No~~

Senate Yes ~~No~~

Fiscal Note ~~Yes~~ No

Veto Message ~~Yes~~ No

Message on signing yes ~~Yes~~ ~~No~~

Following were printed:

Reports ~~Yes~~ No

Hearings ~~Yes~~ No

Sponsors' statement:

The purpose of this bill is to require that election officers in school elections have the same training in the use of voting machines as the members of district boards of elections.

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**ASSEMBLY, No. 1758**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

INTRODUCED JUNE 9, 1980

By Assemblyman BENNETT, Assemblywoman MUHLER, Assemblymen VILLANE, DOWD, Assemblywomen GLUCK, GARVIN, Assemblymen ROCCO, SHUSTED, KERN, EDWARDS, MARKERT and CHINNICI

Referred to Committee on Education

AN ACT concerning school election officers and supplementing Article 3 of chapter 14 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

1 1. Not less than 10 nor more than 21 days before each school  
2 election, each board of education shall cause the election officers  
3 who are to serve in the polling districts to be instructed in the use  
4 of the voting machine, and in their duties in connection therewith,  
5 and shall cause to be given to each election officer who has received  
6 such instruction and is fully qualified to properly conduct the elec-  
7 tion with the machine, a certificate to that effect; but election  
8 officers, who have served in a polling district in which voting ma-  
9 chines have been used for two consecutive school elections and  
10 who have received a certificate or who have received a similar  
11 certificate from the county board of elections pursuant to R. S.  
12 19:50-1, shall not be required to receive further instruction, except  
13 in the discretion of the board of education. For the purpose of  
14 giving instruction, each board of education shall call a meeting  
15 or meetings of the election officers as shall be necessary. The elec-  
16 tion officers of each polling district in which a voting machine is  
17 to be used, unless excused from attendance as herein provided,  
18 shall attend such meeting or meetings as shall be called for the  
19 purpose of receiving instruction concerning their duties as shall  
20 be necessary for the proper conduct of the election with the ma-  
21 chine. No election officer shall serve in any election at which a  
22 voting machine is used unless he shall have received instruction  
23 and is fully qualified to perform the duties in connection with the  
24 machine, and has received a certificate to that effect from the

25 board or a similar certificate from the county board of elections  
26 pursuant to R. S. 19:50-1; but this shall not prevent the appoint-  
27 ment of a person to fill a vacancy in an emergency, as now pro-  
28 vided by law.

1 2. This act shall take effect January 1 next following enactment.

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STATEMENT

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ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1758

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: OCTOBER 16, 1980

PROVISIONS:

Assembly Bill No. 1758 requires election officers who work in school districts to undergo training in the use of voting machines.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, most school districts use municipal election workers who are required to receive instruction before the primary and the general election. However some school districts choose not to hire municipal election workers for school elections.

It is the intent of the Assembly Education Committee that school election officials are properly trained prior to the school election.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1758

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 11, 1980

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports this bill and endorses the Assembly Education Committee Statement which reads as follows:

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

MARCH 31, 1981

KATHRYN FORSYTH

Governor Brendan Byrne has signed the following bills:

A-1320, sponsored by Assemblyman Charles Mays (D-Hudson) which repeals certain state statutes pertaining to the unauthorized use of credit cards. All of these statutes conflict with and/or are overridden by the Federal Truth-In-Lending Act or regulations promulgated under that act.

A-1758, sponsored by Assemblyman John O. Bennett (R-Monmouth), which requires election officers who work in school district elections to undergo training in the use of voting machines.

Currently, most school districts use municipal election workers who are required to receive training before the primary and general elections, as workers in school district elections, but some school districts choose not to do so.