

30:4D-34

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

HJSA 30:4D-34 ("Pharmaceutical Assistance For the Aged"--  
 increase co-payment for those without  
 eligibility cards)  
 LAWS OF 1979 CHAPTER 383  
 Bill No. A3271  
 Sponsor(s) Matthews  
 Date Introduced April 26, 1979  
 Committee: Assembly Institutions, Health and Welfare  
 Senate Institutions, Health and Welfare  
 Amended during passage ~~Yes~~ No  
 Date of Passage: Assembly June 18, 1979  
 Senate Jan. 3, 1980  
 Date of approval Feb. 5, 1980

Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement	Yes	<del>No</del>
Committee Statement: Assembly	Yes	<del>No</del>
Senate	Yes	<del>No</del>
Fiscal Note	<del>Yes</del>	No
Veto message	<del>Yes</del>	No
Message on signing	<del>Yes</del>	No
Following were printed.		
Reports	<del>Yes</del>	No
Hearings	<del>Yes</del>	No

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ASSEMBLY, No. 3271

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED APRIL 26, 1979

By Assemblyman MATTHEWS

Referred to Committee on Institutions, Health and Welfare

AN ACT to amend "A supplement to the 'New Jersey Medical Assistance and Health Services Act,' approved January 15, 1969 (P. L. 1968, c. 413)," approved February 22, 1979 (P. L. 1979, c. 27).

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2 *of New Jersey:*

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2 as follows:

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4 Assistance to the Aged shall, upon the submission of such applica-  
5 tion and proof of expenditure as the department may prescribe, be  
6 reimbursed for the cost of all prescription drugs purchased by such  
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8 the period commencing 30 days after such person's properly com-  
9 pleted application was received by the department and ending on  
10 the date on which such person received his proof of eligibility from  
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12 this act shall be made for any prescription drug purchased prior to  
13 the effective date of this act.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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eligibility card. Before Assembly Bill No. 933 was enacted into law, however, the copayment under the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged Program was increased from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per prescription. This bill is a technical amendment to P. L. 1979, c. 27 to make the copayment for drugs purchased by eligible senior citizens who have not received their eligibility cards within 30 days after filing a properly completed application consistent with the copayment for drugs purchased by eligible senior citizens who have their eligibility cards.

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ASSEMBLY INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND  
WELFARE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 3271**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 11, 1979

This bill is a technical amendment to P. L. 1979, c. 27 (C. 30:4D-34) to make the copayment for drugs purchased by eligible senior citizens who have not received their eligibility cards within 30 days after filing a properly completed application consistent with the copayment for drugs purchased by senior citizens who have their eligibility cards.

The committee agrees with the purpose of this legislation and released the bill without amendment.

SENATE INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND WELFARE  
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
ASSEMBLY, No. 3271

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 6, 1979

This bill is a technical amendment to P. L. 1979, c. 27 (C. 30:4D-34) to make the copayment for drugs purchased by eligible senior citizens who have not received their eligibility cards within 30 days after filing a properly completed application, consistent with the copayment for drugs purchased by senior citizens who have their eligibility cards.

FEBRUARY 6, 1980

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A-480, sponsored by former Assemblyman John Froude (D-Middlesex), provides for the acquisition, enforcement and disposition of conservation and historic preservation restrictions by government bodies or certain corporations or trusts in situations which concern the acquisition or preservation of land or water areas.

Conservation restrictions provide that land or water areas are to be predominately retained in their natural, scenic, open or wooded condition or are to be used for conservation or recreation purposes.

Historic preservation restrictions help preserve a structure or site which is historically significant for its architecture, archeology or associations.

Although these restrictions could be conveyed in sales of real property under prior law, this bill establishes rules for their acquisition, enforcement and disposition.

The bill supports the long-established policy of the state in encouraging the reservation of open space and also helps create recreational areas and preserve areas which have public value for their natural beauty or historical significance while allowing the land to remain in private ownership.

A-3669, sponsored by Assemblyman Martin A. Herman (D-Gloucester), which validates the school bond authorization proceedings by the Board of Education of Pittsgrove Township in Salem County.

A-949, sponsored by Assemblyman James W. Bornheimer (D-Middlesex), which requires every homeowner insurance policy and every insurance policy providing comprehensive liability insurance to include workers compensation coverage for domestic servants, household employees and their dependents.

Under prior practice, workers' compensation coverage was often available as an optional endorsement to homeowners' policies, but not from all companies.

A-3271, sponsored by Assemblyman Michael J. Matthews (D-Atlantic), which makes a minor technical change in the statutes regarding the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged (PAA) program.

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