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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

HJSA 46:30A-6 to 46:30A-8 (Cash Registers--Visibility of Cost Indicator)

LAWS OF 1977 CHAPTER 213

Bill No. S241

Sponsor(s) Ammond & Zane

Date Introduced Pre-filed

Committee: Assembly Commerce, Banking & Insurance

Senate Law, Public Safety & Defense

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SENATE, No. 241

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1976 SESSION

By Senators AMMOND and ZANE

AN ACT prohibiting obstruction from view of cash register item cost indicators and providing penalties thereof.

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

1 1. In any **individual** **retail food store** **business estab-**
2 **lishment** which has one or more cash registers with item cost
3 indicators, said indicators shall at all times remain visible to cus-
4 tomers making payment for items purchased or services ren-
5 dered; *provided, however, that this act shall not apply to business*
6 *establishments that provide cash registers in each department,*
7 *or an itemized sales slip, receipt or similar document fully*
8 *identifying each item and stating the price thereof.*

1 2. Violations of this act shall include situating the register or
2 stacking merchandise near the register so as to make it impossible
3 or difficult for customers to see the indicator.

1 3. The owner or manager of any **individual** **retail food**
2 **store** **business establishment** wherein this act is **knowingly**
3 violated **by said owner or manager** shall be **a disorderly**
4 **person subject to a fine** **liable to a penalty** of **[\$10.00]**
5 **[\$100.00]** **not more than \$50.00** for the first offense
6 **[and \$25.00]** **[\$250.00]** **not more than \$100.00** for the
7 **second offense and [\$500.00]** **not more than \$250.00** for
8 each subsequent offense. *Such penalty shall be collected and en-*
9 *forced by summary proceedings pursuant to the Penalty Enforce-*
10 *ment Law (N. J. S. 2A:58-1 et seq.). The county district court in*
11 *which the business premises are located shall have jurisdiction*
12 *over such proceedings. Process shall be in the nature of a summons*
13 *or warrant, and shall issue upon the complaint of the Director of*
14 *the Division of Consumer Affairs.**

1 4. This act shall take effect **immediately** **6 months**
2 **after the date of its enactment**.

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

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2 stacking merchandise near the register so as to make it impossible
3 or difficult for customers to see the indicator.

1 3. The owner or manager of any retail *food store* wherein this
2 act is violated shall be a disorderly person subject to a fine of
3 \$10.00 for the first offense and \$25.00 for each subsequent offense.

1 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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SENATE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE, No. 241
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED JUNE 3, 1976

Amend page 1, section 1, line 6, after "provide", insert "cash registers in each department, or".

Amend page 1, section 4, line 1, after "effect", omit "immediately", insert "6 months after the date of its enactment".

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1 1. In any ***[retail food store]*** **business establishment** which
2 has one or more cash registers with item cost indicators, said in-
3 dicators shall at all times remain visible to customers making pay-
4 ment for items purchased or services rendered.

1 2. Violations of this act shall include situating the register or
2 stacking merchandise near the register so as to make it impossible
3 or difficult for customers to see the indicator.

1 3. The owner or manager of any ***[retail food store]*** **business*
2 *establishment** wherein this act is violated shall be ***[a disorderly**
3 **person subject to a fine]*** **liable to a penalty** of ***[\$10.00]***
4 **\$100.00** for the first offense ***[and \$25.00]*** **, \$250.00 for the*
5 *second offense and \$500.00** for each subsequent offense. **Such*
6 *penalty shall be collected and enforced by summary proceedings*
7 *pursuant to the Penalty Enforcement Law (N. J. S. 2A:58-1*
8 *et seq.). The county district court in which the business premises*
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11 *the complaint of the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs.**

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SENATE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE, No. 241
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED MAY 24, 1976

Amend page 1, section 1, line 1, after "any", insert "individual".

Amend page 1, section 1, line 4, after "rendered", insert "; provided, however, that this act shall not apply to business establishments that provide an itemized sales slip, receipt or similar document fully identifying each item and stating the price thereof".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 1, after "any", insert "individual".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 2, after "is", insert "knowingly"; after "violated", insert "by said owner or manager".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 3, omit "\$100.00", insert "not more than \$50.00".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 4, omit "\$250.00", insert "not more than \$100.00".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 5, omit "\$500.00", insert "not more than \$250.00".

ASSEMBLY COMMERCE, BANKING AND INSURANCE
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
SENATE, No. 241

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 24, 1977

This legislation requires that business establishments having cash registers with item cost indicators make sure indicators visible to customers at all times. The act exempts certain business establishments which provide itemized sales slips which identify each item and state the price thereof.

Violators of the law would be liable to a fine of not more than \$50.00 for the first offense, not more than \$100.00 for the second offense, and not more than \$250.00 for the third offense.

SENATE LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND
DEFENSE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 241

with Senate committee amendment

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 26, 1976

The purpose of this bill is to eliminate the practice on the part of some business establishments of placing impulse items or other merchandise in front of the cost indicators, or of so placing the register, as to make it difficult or impossible for customers to see what they are being charged when making purchases.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE, No. 241

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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ADOPTED APRIL 26, 1976

Amend page 1, section 1, line 1, omit "retail food store", insert "business establishment".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 1, omit "retail food store", insert "business establishment".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 2, after "be", omit "a disorderly person subject to a fine", insert "liable to a penalty".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 3, omit "\$10.00", insert "\$100.00"; omit "and \$25.00", insert ", \$250.00 for the second offense and \$500.00".

Amend page, section 3, after line 3, insert "Such penalty shall be collected and enforced by summary proceedings pursuant to the Penalty Enforcement Law (N. J. S. 2A:58-1 et seq.). The county district court in which the business premises are located shall have jurisdiction over such proceedings. Process shall be in the nature of a summons or warrant, and shall issue upon the complaint of the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs."

SEPTEMBER 13, 1977

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ANNE BURNS

Governor Brendan Byrne today signed into law the following bills:

S-241 - sponsored by Senators Alene Ammond, D-Camden, and Raymond Zane, D-Gloucester, which requires individual businesses which have cash registers with item cost indicators to place the register so that the indicators are visible to customers at all times.

Businesses which provide cash registers in each department or an itemized sales slip or receipt are exempted from the act.

The owner or manager who knowingly violates the act is subject to a penalty of not more than \$50 for the first offense, \$100 for the second offense and \$250 for each subsequent offense.

The bill takes effect six months after enactment.

A-14 - sponsored by Assemblyman Daniel Newman, D-Monmouth, which prohibits anyone from selling or preparing for sale, any term paper, thesis, dissertation or any other writing with the knowledge that this is intended for submission by another person to an academic institution.

The bill excludes from its application: typing, editing, and related services. The bill does not prevent any person from providing tutorial assistance or research material and information which is not going to be submitted directly, or in substantial part, as an assignment under the student's name.

The bill provides that violators will be found guilty of a civil offense, enforced by a summons and complaint similar to a disorderly persons charge. The bill also states that violators are subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.

A-922 - sponsored by Assemblyman Ronald Owens, D-Essex, which requires a Board of Education to defray all the costs of defending any civil action brought against a person assigned for professional pre-teaching field experience.

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