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P.L. 2017, CHAPTER 348, *approved January 16, 2018*
Assembly, No. 760

1 AN ACT concerning professional licensure exam passage rates and
2 supplementing chapter 1 of Title 45 of the Revised Statutes.

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5 *of New Jersey:*

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23 Requires certain professional boards to report licensure exam
passage rates.

ASSEMBLY, No. 760

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

217th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2016 SESSION

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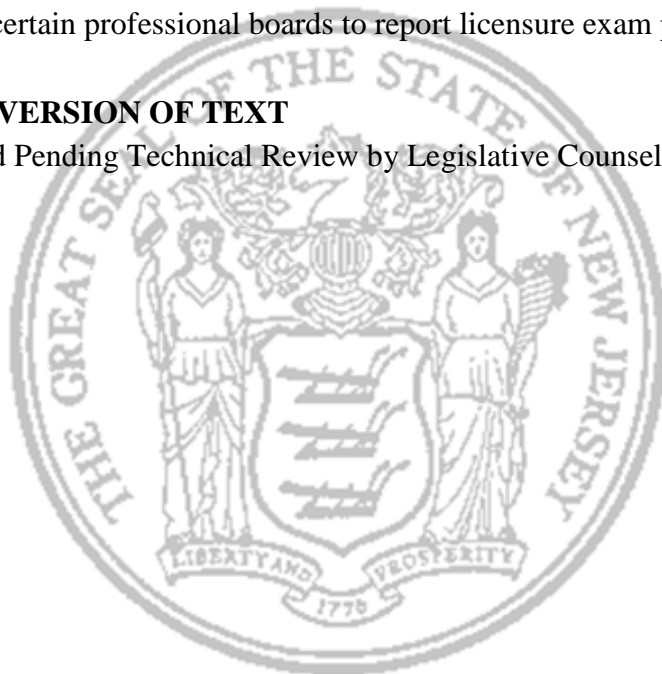
Assemblyman Giblin

SYNOPSIS

Requires certain professional boards to report licensure exam passage rates.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/13/2017)

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ASSEMBLY REGULATED PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 760

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 12, 2017

The Assembly Regulated Professions Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 760.

This bill requires any professional or occupational board, agency, or committee located in the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety or in the Department of Environmental Protection that administers examinations that determine, or that are otherwise related to, licensure in that profession or occupation to report annually to the Legislature the passage and failure rates, as well as any additional information relevant to interpreting examination results, for each examination the board, agency, or committee administers.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2016-2017 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 760

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 14, 2017

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 760.

This bill requires any professional or occupational board, agency, or committee located in the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety or in the Department of Environmental Protection that administers examinations that determine, or that are otherwise related to, licensure in that profession or occupation to report annually to the Legislature the passage and failure rates, as well as any additional information relevant to interpreting examination results, for each examination the board, agency, or committee administers.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 760

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 5, 2018

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 760.

This bill requires any professional or occupational board, agency, or committee located in the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety or in the Department of Environmental Protection that administers examinations that determine, or that are otherwise related to, licensure in that profession or occupation to report annually to the Legislature the passage and failure rates, and any additional information relevant to interpreting examination results, for each examination the board, agency, or committee administers.

As reported, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 1599, as also reported by the committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) anticipates this bill may cause an indeterminate annual State expenditure increase. The Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety, the Department of Environmental Protection, and all professional and occupational boards, agencies, and committees located in the division and the department that administer licensing examinations will experience a workload increase to collect and report licensure examination passage and failure rates for professions and occupations under their supervision and to summarize and report those findings to the Legislature. The magnitude of any related expenditure increase is dependent on operational decisions to be made by affected agencies, which the OLS cannot anticipate. Any cost increase will likely be negligible.

SENATE, No. 1599

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 217th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 16, 2016

Sponsored by:

Senator JEFF VAN DREW

District 1 (Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland)

Senator SHIRLEY K. TURNER

District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)

SYNOPSIS

Requires certain professional boards to report licensure exam passage rates.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/6/2018)

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SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1599

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 14, 2017

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1599.

This bill requires any professional or occupational board, agency, or committee located in the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety or in the Department of Environmental Protection that administers examinations that determine, or that are otherwise related to, licensure in that profession or occupation to report annually to the Legislature the passage and failure rates, as well as any additional information relevant to interpreting examination results, for each examination the board, agency, or committee administers.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1599

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 5, 2018

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1599.

This bill requires any professional or occupational board, agency, or committee located in the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety or in the Department of Environmental Protection that administers examinations that determine, or that are otherwise related to, licensure in that profession or occupation to report annually to the Legislature the passage and failure rates, and any additional information relevant to interpreting examination results, for each examination the board, agency, or committee administers.

As reported, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 760, as also reported by the committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) anticipates this bill may cause an indeterminate annual State expenditure increase. The Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety, the Department of Environmental Protection, and all professional and occupational boards, agencies, and committees located in the division and the department that administer licensing examinations will experience a workload increase to collect and report licensure examination passage and failure rates for professions and occupations under their supervision and to summarize and report those findings to the Legislature. The magnitude of any related expenditure increase is dependent on operational decisions to be made by affected agencies, which the OLS cannot anticipate. Any cost increase will likely be negligible.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE
SENATE, No. 1599
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
217th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JANUARY 3, 2018

SUMMARY

Synopsis: Requires certain professional boards to report licensure exam passage rates.

Type of Impact: Potential annual State expenditure increase.

Agencies Affected: Department of Law and Public Safety;
 Department of Environmental Protection.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
Annual State Expenditures	Potential Indeterminate Increase – See comments below		

- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) determines that this bill may cause an indeterminate annual State expenditure increase. The Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety; the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP); and all their professional and occupational boards, agencies, and committees that administer licensing examinations will experience a workload increase as a result of collecting and reporting licensure examination passage and failure rates for professions and occupations under their supervision and summarizing and reporting those findings to the Legislature. The magnitude of any related expenditure increase will depend on operational decisions to be made by affected agencies, which the OLS cannot anticipate. Any cost increase would likely be negligible.

BILL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires certain professional and occupational boards, agencies, and committees that administer examinations that determine, or that are otherwise related to, licensure in that profession or occupation to report annually to the Legislature the passage and failure rates for each examination administered, as well as any additional information relevant to interpreting examination results. The bill applies to professional and occupational boards, agencies, and committees that are located in the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety or in the DEP.

FISCAL ANALYSIS***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The OLS anticipates that this bill may cause an indeterminate annual State expenditure increase. The Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety; the DEP; and all their professional and occupational boards, agencies, and committees that administer licensing examinations will experience a workload increase as a result of collecting and reporting licensure examination passage and failure rates for professions and occupations under their supervision and summarizing and reporting those findings to the Legislature. The magnitude of any related expenditure increase will depend on operational decisions to be made by affected agencies, which the OLS cannot anticipate. Any cost increase would likely be negligible.

The State's "Licensed Occupations" database provides an alphabetical list of occupations that require a license in New Jersey. This database lists 23 licenses issued by the DEP, and 81 licenses issued by the division. The division's website states that it maintains 46 professional and occupational licensing boards that oversee and regulate more than 750,000 individuals and businesses in New Jersey. It is not known how many of these boards require licensing examinations.

Section: Law and Public Safety

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This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).