

18A:6-8.4

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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(Prohibits disqualification of employees of public educational system from holding elective or appointive position)

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ASSEMBLY, No. 1355

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JUNE 15, 1972

By Assemblymen KEAN, HORN, EVERS, MABIE, FORAN  
and McMANIMON

(Without Reference)

AN ACT concerning education and supplementing 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. No person employed by a public educational system or institu-  
2 tion in a position which requires a certificate issued by the State  
3 Board of Examiners, or employed in a professional educational  
4 capacity by a school, college, or university which is either tax-  
5 supported or operated under contract with the State or on behalf  
6 of the State shall be disqualified by reason of such employment from  
7 holding any elective or appointive State, county or municipal office  
8 excepting as member of the board or body by which he is employed.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

SEPTEMBER 7, 1972

FOR RELEASE:  
IMMEDIATE

Governor William T. Cahill today signed legislation permitting teachers and educational professionals in public and publicly supported educational systems to hold elective or appointive state, county or municipal offices.

The Governor at the signing of Assembly Bill 1355 sponsored by Assemblyman Thomas H. Kean (R-Essex), noted, however, that no one may serve as a member of the board or body by which he is employed.

The Governor said the bill will resolve questions raised by recent court decisions on the legality of teachers serving in governmental positions. It provides a safeguard to prevent a teacher from serving on the same board by which he is employed. "New Jersey has been fortunate in many instances in which teachers have served with distinction in various phases of government. They are very well qualified to do so and this legislation will permit them to continue such service."

The legislation grew out of a Passaic County case in May of this year in which it was ruled that a teacher may not serve as a member of a municipal governing body because of the potential review of that teacher's salary by the municipal governing body in the event that a school budget has been rejected by the voters..

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