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P.L. 2019, CHAPTER 327, *approved January 13, 2020*
Assembly, No. 791 (*Second Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning veterans ²and students in the military² at
2 ²**[public]**² institutions of higher education and supplementing
3 chapter ²**[62]** 3B² of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:
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8 ¹**[**1. a. As used in this section, “veteran” means an individual
9 who served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States,
10 a Reserve component thereof, or the National Guard, and who was
11 honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances
12 from active service.

13 b. A public institution of higher education shall adopt a policy
14 to award academic credit to veterans. The policy shall grant a
15 veteran who is accepted to pursue a course of study at the institution
16 a minimum of six credits upon the veteran’s enrollment.]¹
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18 ¹1. a. Each public and independent institution of higher
19 education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to
20 the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education,
21 shall accept and apply towards an undergraduate degree program
22 appropriate credit for a student’s military experience, following an
23 evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are
24 in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree
25 being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a
26 maximum of 30 credits for military experience towards an
27 undergraduate degree to a student enrolled in the institution.

28 Each public and independent institution of higher education,
29 after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit
30 recommendation of the American Council on Education, shall
31 accept and apply towards a graduate degree program appropriate
32 credit for a student’s military experience, following an evaluation
33 and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment
34 with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being
35 pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of
36 12 credits for military experience towards a graduate degree to a
37 student enrolled in the institution.

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AMV committee amendments adopted September 17, 2018.

²Senate SHI committee amendments adopted November 18, 2019.

1 The credit recommendation of the American Council on
2 Education ²【shall represent】 represents² college-level equivalencies
3 based on a review of workforce training, military training or
4 occupations, and other sources of learning outside the college
5 classroom.

6 b. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any
7 public or independent institution of higher education to admit a
8 student or to waive its admission standards and application
9 procedures.

10 c. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a public
11 or independent institution from accepting and applying towards a
12 degree program more than 30 ²undergraduate degree credits, or 12
13 graduate degree² credits ^{2,2} for a student's military experience
14 should the institution choose to take such action.¹

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16 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
17 the first full academic year following the date of enactment.

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22 Requires institution of higher education to award appropriate
23 credit for student's military service.

ASSEMBLY, No. 791

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

218th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2018 SESSION

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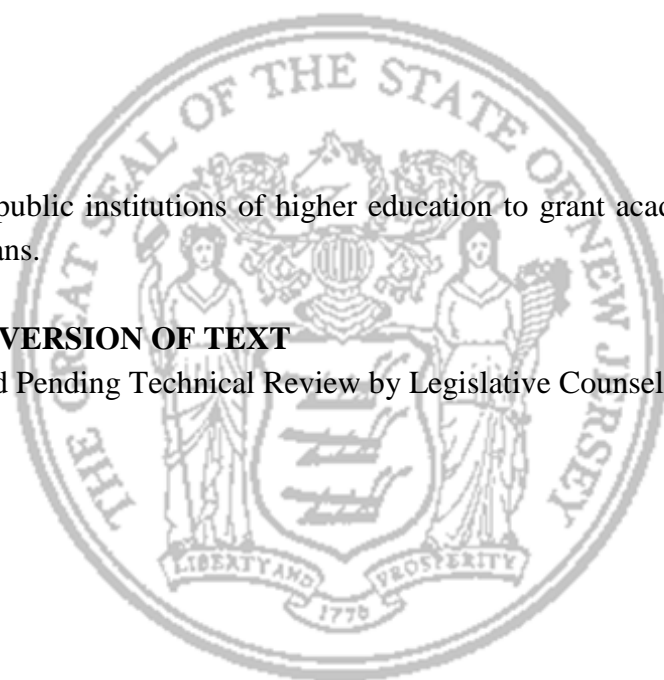
Assemblymen Mazzeo, Benson and Assemblywoman Chaparro

SYNOPSIS

Requires public institutions of higher education to grant academic credit to certain veterans.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 8/28/2018)

1 AN ACT concerning veterans at public institutions of higher
2 education and supplementing chapter 62 of Title 18A of the New
3 Jersey Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. a. As used in this section, “veteran” means an individual
9 who served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States,
10 a Reserve component thereof, or the National Guard, and who was
11 honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances
12 from active service.

13 b. A public institution of higher education shall adopt a policy
14 to award academic credit to veterans. The policy shall grant a
15 veteran who is accepted to pursue a course of study at the institution
16 a minimum of six credits upon the veteran’s enrollment.

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18 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
19 the first full academic year following the date of enactment.

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STATEMENT

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24 This bill requires public institutions of higher education to adopt
25 policies to award academic credit to honorably discharged veterans
26 who served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States,
27 a Reserve component thereof, or the National Guard. The policy
28 adopted by an institution of higher education must grant a veteran
29 who is accepted to pursue a course of study at the institution a
30 minimum of six credits upon the veteran’s enrollment.

ASSEMBLY MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 791

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

The Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 791.

As amended, this bill requires each public and independent institution of higher education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education, to accept and apply towards an undergraduate degree program appropriate credit for a student's military experience, following an evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of 30 credits for military experience to a student enrolled in the institution.

The bill also requires each public and independent institution of higher education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education, to accept and apply towards a graduate degree program appropriate credit for a student's military experience, following an evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of 12 credits for military experience to a student enrolled in the institution.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2018-2019 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to require independent institutions as well as public institutions of higher education to award academic credit for military experience to certain veterans. The amendments require the institutions to take into account and give consideration to the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education. The amendments also require the credits to be in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being pursued, and

permit a maximum award of 30 credits towards an undergraduate degree program, and a maximum of 12 credits towards a graduate degree program.

SENATE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 791

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 18, 2019

The Senate Higher Education Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 791 (1R) with committee amendments. As amended, this bill requires each public and independent institution of higher education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education, to accept and apply towards an undergraduate degree program appropriate credit for a student's military experience, following an evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of 30 credits for military experience to a student enrolled in the institution.

The bill also requires each public and independent institution of higher education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education, to accept and apply towards a graduate degree program appropriate credit for a student's military experience, following an evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of 12 credits for military experience to a student enrolled in the institution.

The committee made technical amendments to the title of the bill. The committee also adopted an amendment to provide that the bill's provisions should not be construed to prohibit a public or independent institution from accepting and applying towards a degree program more than 30 undergraduate degree credits, or 12 graduate degree credits, for a student's military experience should the institution choose to take such action. The bill in its prior form did not make a distinction between undergraduate degree credits and graduate degree credits.

As amended and reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 1618, which also was amended and reported by the committee on this same date.

SENATE, No. 1618

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 218th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 5, 2018

Sponsored by:

Senator JEFF VAN DREW

District 1 (Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland)

Senator CHRIS A. BROWN

District 2 (Atlantic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senators A.R.Bucco, Andrzejczak and T.Kean

SYNOPSIS

Requires institution of higher education to award appropriate credit for student's military service.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/19/2019)

S1618 VAN DREW, BROWN

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1 AN ACT concerning veterans and students in the military at
2 institutions of higher education and supplementing chapter 3B of
3 Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. a. Each public and independent institution of higher
9 education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to
10 the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education,
11 shall accept and apply towards an undergraduate degree program
12 appropriate credit for a student's military experience, following an
13 evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are
14 in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree
15 being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a
16 maximum of 30 credits for military experience to a student enrolled
17 in the institution.

18 Each public and independent institution of higher education,
19 after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit
20 recommendation of the American Council on Education, shall
21 accept and apply towards a graduate degree program appropriate
22 credit for a student's military experience, following an evaluation
23 and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment
24 with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being
25 pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of
26 12 credits for military experience to a student enrolled in the
27 institution.

28 The credit recommendation of the American Council on
29 Education represents college-level equivalencies based on a review
30 of workforce training, military training or occupations, and other
31 sources of learning outside the college classroom.

32 b. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any
33 public or independent institution of higher education to admit a
34 student or to waive its admission standards and application
35 procedures.

36 c. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a public
37 or independent institution from accepting and applying towards a
38 degree program more than 30 credits for a student's military
39 experience should the institution choose to take such action.

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41 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
42 the first full academic year following the date of enactment.

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STATEMENT

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47 This bill requires each public and independent institution of
48 higher education, after taking into account and giving due

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1 consideration to the credit recommendation of the American
2 Council on Education, to accept and apply towards an
3 undergraduate degree program appropriate credit for a student's
4 military experience, following an evaluation and determination by
5 the institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate
6 courses and correspond to the degree being pursued at the
7 institution. The institution may award a maximum of 30 credits for
8 military experience to a student enrolled in the institution.

9 The bill also requires each public and independent institution of
10 higher education, after taking into account and giving due
11 consideration to the credit recommendation of the American
12 Council on Education, to accept and apply towards a graduate
13 degree program appropriate credit for a student's military
14 experience, following an evaluation and determination by the
15 institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate courses
16 and correspond to the degree being pursued at the institution. The
17 institution may award a maximum of 12 credits for military
18 experience to a student enrolled in the institution.

SENATE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1618

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 18, 2019

The Senate Higher Education Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1618 with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill requires each public and independent institution of higher education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education, to accept and apply towards an undergraduate degree program appropriate credit for a student's military experience, following an evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of 30 credits for military experience towards an undergraduate degree to a student enrolled in the institution.

The bill also requires each public and independent institution of higher education, after taking into account and giving due consideration to the credit recommendation of the American Council on Education, to accept and apply towards a graduate degree program appropriate credit for a student's military experience, following an evaluation and determination by the institution that the credits are in alignment with appropriate courses and correspond to the degree being pursued at the institution. The institution may award a maximum of 12 credits for military experience towards a graduate degree to a student enrolled in the institution.

The committee adopted amendments to clarify that the bill permits a maximum award of 30 credits towards an undergraduate degree program, and a maximum award of 12 credits towards a graduate degree program. The committee also adopted an amendment to provide that the bill's provisions should not be construed to prohibit a public or independent institution from accepting and applying towards a degree program more than 30 undergraduate degree credits, or 12 graduate degree credits, for a student's military experience should the institution choose to take such action. The bill in its prior form did not make a distinction between undergraduate degree credits and graduate degree credits.

As amended and reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 791(1R), which also was amended and reported by the committee on this same date.

Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

01/13/2020

TRENTON – Today, Governor Phil Murphy signed the following bills into law:

A268 (Kean, Egan, Holley/Singer, Gopal) - "P.I.C.K. Awareness Act"; authorizes issuance of special support recovery license plates.

A790 (Andrzejczak, Land, Mosquera, Mukherji, Downey, Zwicker, Mazzeo/Connors, Singleton) - "Combat to College Act"; grants priority course registration to military service members and veterans attending public institutions of higher education.

A791 (Andrzejczak, Land, Mosquera, Danielsen, Mukherji, Downey, Zwicker/Van Drew, Brown) - Requires institution of higher education to award appropriate credit for student's military service.

A1212 (McKeon, Gusciora, Vainieri Huttel/Sweeney, Smith, Bateman, Greenstein) - Clarifies intent of P.L.2007, c.340 regarding NJ's required participation in Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative.

A1305 (Greenwald/Rice) - Renames Mountainview Youth Correctional Facility as "William H. Fauver Youth Correctional Facility."

A1576 (Conaway, Giblin/Vitale) - Requires certain health care facilities to provide, and employees to receive, annual influenza vaccination.

A1582 (Conaway, Moriarty, Mosquera, Benson, Pinkin, Giblin, Quijano/Weinberg, Ruiz) - Establishes "Dietetics and Nutrition Licensing Act".

A1991 (Sumter, Munoz, Mukherji/Singer, Gordon) - Requires students at institutions of higher education to receive immunization for meningitis in accordance with recommendations of Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

A3101 (Egan Jones, Benson, Land/Singleton) - Increases minimum annual amounts for appropriation for certain arts, historical heritage, and tourism purposes from hotel and motel occupancy fee revenues.

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A3160 (Lampitt, Giblin, Murphy/Beach) - Permits cosmetology and hairstyling school clinics to charge certain fees for services rendered to general public.

A3832 (Mukherji, McKnight, Chiaravalloti/Cryan, Stack) - Authorizes municipal tax levy through public question for certain purposes; clarifies ability of local government entities to issue non-recourse bonds; appropriates \$100,000.

A4493 (Pinkin, Conaway, Vainieri Huttel/Vitale) - Authorizes expedited partner therapy, under which sexual partners or patients diagnosed with sexually transmitted disease are treated without prior clinical examination.

A4608 (Zwicker, Downey/Weinberg, Kean) - " Applied Behavior Analyst Licensing Act."

A4710 (Lampitt, Zwicker, Vainieri Huttel/Beach,Turner) - "Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act"; establishes school district responsibilities in educating gifted and talented students.

A5037 (Pintor Marin, Speight, Vainieri Huttel/Andrzejczak, Greenstein) - Enhances penalties related to counterfeit drugs.

A5091 (McKeon, Vainieri Huttel, Pinkin/Pou, Singleton) - Establishes "Safeguarding Against Financial Exploitation Act."

A5263 (Tully, Armato/Corrado) - Requires four-year public institution of higher education to award college credits to firefighters for certain courses completed at county fire academies.

A5277 (DeAngelo, Houghtaling/Greenstein) - Eliminates term limits for members of State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers and State Board of Examiners of Heating, Ventilating, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Contractors.

A5624 (Pintor Marin, Munoz, Lampitt/Weinberg, Corrado) - Requires that State employee serve as Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action officer for gubernatorial transitions.

A5625 (Pintor Marin, Munoz, Lampitt/Weinberg, Corrado) - Requires payment of expenses related to background investigations for certain gubernatorial transition positions.

A5628 (Pintor Marin, Munoz, McKnight/Weinberg, Corrado) - Requires Civil Service Commission establish standardize recordkeeping and retention requirements with regard to unclassified State employees.

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A5631 (Pintor Marin, Munoz, Pinkin/Weinberg, Corrado) - Specifies certain requirements for State agency review of complaint of workplace discrimination.

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A5632 (Pintor Marin, Munoz, Reynolds-Jackson/Weinberg) - Requires certain public employees receive additional training to manage harassment or discrimination complaints.

A5917 (Chiaravalloti, McKnight/Cunningham, Weinberg) - Expands DOH oversight of hospital finances.

A6007 (McKeon/Pou) - Requires insurers and insurance groups to submit corporate governance annual disclosure to DOBI Commissioner.

S463 (Singer, Greenstein/Dancer, Calabrese, DeAngelo) - Provides for voluntary contributions by taxpayers on gross income tax returns for Meals on Wheels.

S538 (Oroho, Stack/Wirths, Vaineri Huttie, Bucco) - Allows long term tax exemption extension for certain low-income housing.

S775 (Cunningham, Sacco/Sumter, Caride, Vainieri Huttie) - Establishes Tuition Aid Grant Study Commission to examine New Jersey's Tuition Aid Grant Program and make recommendations regarding improvements to program.

S778 (Cunningham, Kean/Quijano, Jasey, Pintor Marin) - Establishes Campus Sexual Assault Commission.

S1493 (Stack, Singleton/Quijano, Chaparro, Timberlake) - Prohibits landlords from requiring residential tenants to pay rent and other related charges through electronic funds transfer; requires landlords to provide receipts for cash payments.

S1508 (Turner, Singleton/Reynolds-Jackson, Sumter, Wimberly) - Eliminates motor vehicle surcharges following retirement of bonds and debts tied to surcharges.

S1834 (Ruiz, Cunningham/Quijano, Murphy) - Requires each public institution of higher education to post its budget on the institution's website.

S1953 (Oroho, Cruz-Perez/Space, Andrzejcack, Wirths) - Directs Dept. of Agriculture to authorize and advise food hubs.

S1966 (Sweeney, Singleton/Taliaferro) - Increases death benefit of active member of PFRS and SPRS to 50 percent of final compensation for surviving child or children.

S2527 (Ruiz, Turner/Lampitt, Quijano, Timberlake) - Requires Department of Agriculture to promote school meal programs.

S2533 (Greenstein, Cruz-Perez/Vainieri Huttie, Lopez, Timberlake) - Requires Office of Victim-Witness Advocacy to provide services to certain inmates.

S2898 (Madden, Sarlo/Murphy, Mosquera, Vainieri Huttie) - Establishes "New Jersey Fire and EMS Crisis Intervention Services" telephone hotline; provides funding for hotline through fire inspection fees and penalties.

S2980 (Ruiz/Lampitt, McKnight) - Provides that school district may not condition student enrollment in district on fact that MVC does not have name or address of parent or guardian on file.

S2982 (Ruiz/Lampitt, Mukherji, Lopez) - Clarifies that child may not be excluded from public school based on membership in protected category under "Law Against Discrimination" or immigration status.

S2998 (Ruiz/Freiman, Downey) - Requires creditors to make certain disclosures regarding collateral protection insurance to consumer debtors.

S3064 (Ruiz, Singleton/Armato, Conaway, Swain) - Establishes task force to develop State-wide plan to diversify apprenticeships.

S3066 (Ruiz, Singleton/Lampitt, Mukherji, Benson) - Creates five year High-Growth Industry Regional Apprenticeship Development Grant Pilot Program.

S3118 (Ruiz/Speight, Munoz, Tucker) - Establishes public awareness campaign to promote early conversations about advance care planning and end-of-life care.

S3124 (Stack/Mukherji) - Requires landlords to allow tenants to pay rent up to three business days after eviction order or lockout is executed and accept rent payments by any means.

S3206 (Pou, Cruz-Perez/Lopez, McKeon, Murphy) - Establishes "Unbanked and Underbanked Consumers Study Commission."

S3215 (Greenstein, Singleton/Zwicker, Mukherji, Swain) - Requires State to use 20-year time horizon and most recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Assessment Report when calculating global warming potential to measure global warming impact of greenhouse gases.

S3246 (Sarlo, Singleton, Oroho, Bucco/Benson, Bucco, Freiman) - Establishes elective pass-through entity business alternative income tax and allows corresponding refundable gross income tax and corporation business tax credit.

S3327 (Ruiz, Cruz-Perez/Lopez, Timberlake) - Establishes Commission on Latino and Hispanic Heritage in DOE.

S3348 (Weinberg/Vainieri Huttle, McKnight) - Requires home health agencies and specialty pharmacies providing services related to bleeding episodes associated with hemophilia to comply with certain minimum practice standards.

S3528 (Scutari, Codey/Vainieri Huttle, Quijano, Kennedy) - Establishes process to obtain judgement of adoption for civil union partner or spouse of natural or legal parent of child when that person is named as parent on child's birth certificate.

S3574 (Scutari, Kean, Cryan/Carter, Kennedy, Freiman) - Requires NJT to conduct feasibility study on restoring one-seat ride to Manhattan on Raritan Valley Line.

Governor Murphy conditionally vetoed the following bills:

A2431 (Benson, Jimenez, DeCroce, Eustace/Weinberg, Kean) – Requires health insurers to provide plans that limit patient cost-sharing concerning certain prescription drug coverage.

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A4978 (Timberlake, Zwicker, Vainieri Huttle/Greenstein, Cryan) – Prohibits online education services from using and disclosing certain information, engaging in targeted advertising, and requires deletion of certain information in certain circumstances.

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S3920 (Pou/Wimberly, Sumter) – Concerns provision of energy to certain manufacturing facilities by providing exemptions to certain energy related taxes.

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Governor Murphy absolute vetoed the following bill:

S4139 (Greenstein/Benson) - Makes Fiscal Year 2020 supplemental appropriation of \$250,000 to Rutgers University - New Brunswick for School of Dental Medicine - Special Care Treatment Center.

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