# 45:11-24a LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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**LAWS OF**: 2015 **CHAPTER**: 245

NJSA: 45:11-24a (Establishes requirements for training programs for homemaker-home health aides in care of

patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.)

BILL NO: S2960 (Substituted for A4331 (2R))

**SPONSOR(S)** Codey, Richard J., and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** June 8, 2015

**COMMITTEE:** ASSEMBLY: Health and Senior Services

**SENATE:** Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

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**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:** ASSEMBLY: Yes

**SENATE**: Yes

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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: Yes

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# P.L.2015, CHAPTER 245, approved January 19, 2016 Senate, No. 2960 (Third Reprint)

1 AN ACT concerning homemaker-home health aides and <sup>3</sup> [amending and ]<sup>3</sup> supplementing P.L.1947, c.262 <sup>3</sup>(C.45:11-23 et seq.)<sup>3</sup>.

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

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- The board; appointment; terms. In addition to the members appointed to represent the interests of the public pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1971, c.60 [as amended by P.L.1977, c.285 (C.45:1-2.2)  $\frac{1}{(C.45:1-2.2)^1}$ , the New Jersey Board of Nursing shall consist of 10 members, six of whom shall be registered professional nurses, two of whom shall be licensed practical nurses, one of whom shall be an advanced practice nurse, and one of whom shall be an additional public member, all to be appointed by the Governor. Appointments to the board shall be for terms of five years or for the unexpired portion of a term in the case of a vacancy for any cause within a term, and until a successor shall be appointed and qualified. In making appointments the Governor shall give due consideration to, but shall not be bound by, recommendations submitted by the various nurses' professional associations of this State. Upon notice and hearing, the Governor may remove from office any member of the board for neglect of duty, incompetency, unprofessional 1,1 or dishonorable conduct.
  - b. Qualifications for appointment. The advanced practice nurse member shall be a resident of this State <sup>1</sup>[,]; <sup>1</sup> shall be a graduate of an accredited advanced practice nurse program <sup>1</sup>[,]; <sup>1</sup> shall have had at least five years' experience in professional nursing <sup>1</sup>[,]; <sup>1</sup> shall at the time of appointment be actively working as an advanced practice nurse <sup>1</sup>[,]; <sup>1</sup> and, except for the member first appointed, shall hold a certification as an advanced practice nurse pursuant to P.L.1991, c.377 (C.45:11-45 et al.). Each registered professional nurse member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this State; shall be a graduate of an accredited school of nursing within the United States; shall be a registered nurse in this State; shall have had at least five years' experience in

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Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Senate SHH committee amendments adopted June 15, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Assembly AHE committee amendments adopted December 10, 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Assembly floor amendments adopted December 17, 2015.

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1 professional nursing following graduation from an accredited 2 school of nursing; and shall at the time of appointment be actively engaged in nursing or work relating thereto. <sup>1</sup>[The] Each<sup>1</sup> licensed 3 practical nurse <sup>1</sup> [members] member<sup>1</sup> of the board shall be 4 <sup>1</sup>[citizens] <u>a citizen</u><sup>1</sup> of the United States and <sup>1</sup>[residents] <u>a</u> 5 resident<sup>1</sup> of this State; shall hold a valid license to practice practical 6 7 nursing in this State; shall have had at least three years' experience 8 in practical nursing; and shall at the time of appointment be actively 9 engaged in practical nursing or work related thereto.

c. Oath or affirmation of office. Within 30 days after receipt of the commission, each appointee shall take, subscribe <sup>1</sup>, <sup>1</sup> and file in the office of the Secretary of State the oath or affirmation prescribed by law.

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13 14 d. Duties and powers. The board shall have the following 15 duties and powers: (1) It shall hold annual meetings and such other 16 meetings as it may deem necessary at such times and places as the 17 board shall prescribe and a majority of the board including one 18 officer shall constitute a quorum. (2) It shall elect from its members 19 and prescribe the duties of a president and secretary-treasurer, each 20 of whom shall serve for one year and until a successor is elected. 21 (3) It shall appoint and prescribe the duties of an executive 22 secretary to the board who need not be a member thereof but who 23 shall be a citizen of the United States, a graduate of a college or 24 university with a major in nursing education, a registered nurse of 25 this State with at least five years' experience in teaching or 26 administration or both in an accredited school of professional 27 nursing, or have equivalent qualifications as determined by the 28 board. The executive secretary shall hold office during the will and 29 pleasure of the board. (4) It shall employ and prescribe the duties of such persons as in its judgment shall be necessary for the proper 30 31 performance and execution of the duties and powers of the board. 32 (5) It shall determine and pay reasonable compensation and 33 necessary expenses of the executive secretary and all employees of 34 the board. (6) It shall pay to each member of the board the 35 compensation hereinafter provided. (7) It shall have a common seal, 36 keep an official record of all its meetings, and through its secretary-37 treasurer report annually to the Governor the work of the board. (8) It shall examine applicants for a license or renewals thereof, issue, 38 renew, revoke <sup>1</sup>, <sup>1</sup> and suspend licenses, as hereinafter provided. (9) 39 40 It shall in its discretion investigate and prosecute all violations of 41 provisions of this act. (10) It shall keep an official record which shall show the name, age, nativity 1,1 and permanent place of 42 residence of each applicant and licensee and such further 43 44 information concerning each applicant and licensee as the board 45 shall deem advisable. The record shall show also whether the applicant was examined, licensed 1,1 or rejected under this and any 46 prior act. Copies of any of the entries of the record or of any 47

1 certificate issued by the board may be authenticated by any member 2 of the board under its seal and when so authenticated shall be 3 evidence in all courts of this State of the same weight and force as 4 the original thereof. For authenticating a copy of any entry or 5 entries contained in its record the board shall be paid a fee of \$3.00, 6 but such authentication, if made at the request of any public agency 7 of this or any other jurisdiction, may be without fee. (11) In its 8 discretion it may publish at such times as it shall determine a list of 9 nurses licensed under this act, a list of schools of nursing accredited 10 or approved under this act, and such other information as it shall 11 deem advisable. (12) It shall prescribe standards and curricula for 12 schools of nursing and evaluate and approve courses for affiliation. (13) It shall hear and determine applications for accreditation of 13 schools of professional nursing <sup>1</sup>[,]; <sup>1</sup> conduct investigations before 14 and after accreditation of such schools and institutions with which 15 they are affiliated <sup>1</sup>[,]; <sup>1</sup> and issue, suspend <sup>1</sup>, <sup>1</sup> or revoke 16 certificates of accreditation as hereinafter provided. (14) It shall 17 approve schools of practical nursing which shall conform to the 18 19 standards, curricula, and requirements prescribed by the board, and 20 suspend or revoke approval for violations thereof; provided, that 21 this power shall not extend to schools operated by any board of 22 education in this State. (15) It may consult with the Medical Society 23 of New Jersey and the New Jersey Hospital Association with 24 respect to any matter relating to the administration of this act and 25 shall consult with those associations with respect to standards and 26 curricula and any change thereof for schools of nursing. (16) It shall 27 issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and production of 28 documents at any hearing before the board authorized by this act 29 and any member of the board shall administer an oath or affirmation 30 to persons appearing to give testimony at such hearings. (17) It may 31 conduct any investigations, studies of nursing and nursing education 32 and related matters, and prepare and issue such publications as in 33 the judgment of the board will advance the profession of nursing 34 and its service to the public. (18) It shall perform all other functions 35 which are provided in this act to be performed by it or which in the 36 judgment of the board are necessary or proper for the administration 37 of this act. (19) It shall from time to time prescribe rules and 38 regulations not inconsistent with this act. (20) It shall prescribe 39 standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide education 40 and training programs which a homemaker-home health aide shall complete in order to work in this State 2[, in accordance with 41 section 2 of P.L., c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature 42 as this bill **1**<sup>2</sup>. (21) It shall review applications to provide 43 44 homemaker-home health aide training programs and shall issue, suspend <sup>1</sup>, ¹ or revoke program approval. (22) It shall establish and 45 46 maintain a registry of all individuals who have successfully 47 completed a homemaker-home health aide training and competency

evaluation program <sup>2</sup>, including individuals who have elected to 1 2 complete a training and education program in the specialized care 3 of patients with Alzheimer's and related disorders established 4 pursuant to section 2 of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the 5 <u>Legislature as this bill</u>)<sup>2</sup>. The board shall provide for the inclusion 6 in the registry of information about the disqualification of any 7 person from certification as a homemaker-home health aide 8 pursuant to sections 7 through 13 of P.L.1997, c.100 (C.45:11-24.3 9 through 24.9), including the specific documented findings 10 constituting the basis for that disqualification; except that the 11 information shall indicate that the person was convicted of a crime 12 or disorderly persons offense as described in section 7 of P.L.1997, 13 c.100 (C.45:11-24.3), but shall not identify the conviction or 14 convictions which constitute the basis for the disqualification. (23) 15 It shall prescribe standards and requirements for a competency 16 evaluation program resulting in certification of the homemaker-17 home health aide, and the renewal, revocation, and suspension of 18 that certification. (24) It shall review applications for homemaker 19 home-health aide certification and shall issue, suspend, revoke, or 20 fail to renew certifications and conduct investigations pursuant to 21 the provisions of P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-14 et seq.). (25) It shall 22 require that nursing school curricula include, and shall prescribe 23 standards for, the training of registered professional nurses in the 24 supervision of, and the delegation of nursing tasks to, unlicensed 25 assistive personnel, and shall further prescribe standards 26 establishing the criteria for determining those tasks which registered 27 professional nurses may delegate to unlicensed assistive personnel 28 working under their supervision and the type of supervision 29 required with respect to those personnel. (26) It shall prescribe 30 standards and requirements for unlicensed assistive personnel, 31 including initial education and continuing education and a 32 competency evaluation program, which these personnel shall satisfy 33 in order to work in this State. As used in this paragraph and in 34 paragraph (25) of this subsection, "unlicensed assistive personnel" 35 means any unlicensed or uncertified personnel employed by a licensed health care facility that perform nursing tasks which do not 36 37 require the skill or judgment of a registered professional nurse and 38 which are assigned to them by, and carried out under the 39 supervision of, a registered professional nurse. (27) It may require 40 licensees to meet continuing education requirements as a condition 41 of relicensure. Compensation. Each member of the board shall receive 42 43

e. Compensation. Each member of the board shall receive \$15.00 per day for each day in which such member is actually engaged in the discharge of duties and traveling and other expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of duties.

(cf: P.L.2000, c.20, s.4) $\mathbf{I}^3$ 

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- <sup>3</sup>[2. (New section)]  $\underline{1.}^3$  a. The standards and curricula for the homemaker-home health aide education and training programs specified in subsection d. of section 2 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-24), <sup>2</sup>[shall provide for] may include comprehensive training in the specialized care of <sup>1</sup>[a patient] patients with Alzheimer's disease <sup>1</sup>[or a] and <sup>1</sup> related <sup>1</sup>[disorder] disorders <sup>1</sup> who <sup>1</sup>[receives] receive<sup>1</sup> services from a homemaker-home health aide as defined in section 1 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-23). <sup>2</sup> [The] A<sup>2</sup> training program <sup>2</sup>established under this subsection<sup>2</sup> shall include, but not be limited to:
  - (1) the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease <sup>1</sup>[or a] and <sup>1</sup> related <sup>1</sup>[disorder] disorders <sup>1</sup>; and

- (2) the methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease <sup>1</sup>[or a] and <sup>1</sup> related <sup>1</sup>[disorder] disorders <sup>1</sup>, including, but not limited to: communicating with patients with Alzheimer's disease <sup>1</sup>[or a] and <sup>1</sup> related <sup>1</sup>[disorder] disorders <sup>1</sup>; <sup>2</sup>the <sup>2</sup> psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with Alzheimer's disease <sup>1</sup>[or a] and <sup>1</sup> related <sup>1</sup>[disorder] disorders <sup>1</sup>; and safety measures which need to be taken for <sup>1</sup>[a patient] patients <sup>1</sup> with Alzheimer's disease <sup>1</sup>[or a] and <sup>1</sup> related <sup>1</sup>[disorder] disorders <sup>1</sup>.
- b. <sup>2</sup>[A person who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide on or after the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall successfully complete the training required by P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) as a condition of receiving certification [Any person who is certified or who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide may complete a training and education program in the specialized care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders established pursuant to subsection a. of this section <sup>2</sup>.
- c. <sup>2</sup>[A homemaker-home health aide who is certified on the effective date of P.L., c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall successfully complete the training required by P.L., c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) as a condition of receiving the homemaker-home health aide's first recertification to be issued after the effective date of P.L., c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).
- <sup>1</sup>d.]<sup>2</sup> As used in this section, "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders" means forms of dementia characterized by a general loss of intellectual abilities of sufficient severity to interfere with social or occupational functioning.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>3</sup>[3.] 2.<sup>3</sup> This act shall take effect on the first day of January of the year next following the date of enactment, except the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of

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Law and Public Safety and the New Jersey Board of Nursing may take any anticipatory administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the implementation of this act. Establishes requirements for training programs for homemaker-home health aides in care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

# **SENATE, No. 2960**

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# 216th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 8, 2015

**Sponsored by:** 

Senator RICHARD J. CODEY District 27 (Essex and Morris) Senator RONALD L. RICE District 28 (Essex)

**Co-Sponsored by:** 

Senators Vitale, Whelan, Doherty, Pou, Connors, Bateman, Sweeney and Madden

# **SYNOPSIS**

Requires training of homemaker-home health aides in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders.

### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/16/2015)

AN ACT concerning homemaker-home health aides and amending 2 and supplementing P.L.1947, c.262.

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  - Qualifications for appointment. The advanced practice nurse member shall be a resident of this State, shall be a graduate of an accredited advanced practice nurse program, shall have had at least five years' experience in professional nursing, shall at the time of appointment be actively working as an advanced practice nurse, and, except for the member first appointed, shall hold a certification as an advanced practice nurse pursuant to P.L.1991, c.377 (C.45:11-45 et al.). Each registered professional nurse member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this State; shall be a graduate of an accredited school of nursing within the United States; shall be a registered nurse in this State; shall have had at least five years' experience in professional nursing following graduation from an accredited school of nursing; and shall at the time of appointment be actively engaged in nursing or work relating thereto. The licensed practical nurse members of the board shall be citizens of the United States and residents of this State; shall hold a valid license to practice practical nursing in this State; shall have had at least three years' experience in practical nursing; and shall at the time of appointment be actively engaged in practical nursing or work related thereto.

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c. Oath or affirmation of office. Within 30 days after receipt of the commission, each appointee shall take, subscribe and file in the office of the Secretary of State the oath or affirmation prescribed by law.

5 d. Duties and powers. The board shall have the following 6 duties and powers: (1) It shall hold annual meetings and such other 7 meetings as it may deem necessary at such times and places as the 8 board shall prescribe and a majority of the board including one 9 officer shall constitute a quorum. (2) It shall elect from its members 10 and prescribe the duties of a president and secretary-treasurer, each 11 of whom shall serve for one year and until a successor is elected. 12 (3) It shall appoint and prescribe the duties of an executive 13 secretary to the board who need not be a member thereof but who 14 shall be a citizen of the United States, a graduate of a college or 15 university with a major in nursing education, a registered nurse of 16 this State with at least five years' experience in teaching or 17 administration or both in an accredited school of professional 18 nursing, or have equivalent qualifications as determined by the 19 board. The executive secretary shall hold office during the will and 20 pleasure of the board. (4) It shall employ and prescribe the duties of 21 such persons as in its judgment shall be necessary for the proper 22 performance and execution of the duties and powers of the board. 23 (5) It shall determine and pay reasonable compensation and 24 necessary expenses of the executive secretary and all employees of 25 the board. (6) It shall pay to each member of the board the 26 compensation hereinafter provided. (7) It shall have a common seal, 27 keep an official record of all its meetings, and through its secretary-28 treasurer report annually to the Governor the work of the board. (8) 29 It shall examine applicants for a license or renewals thereof, issue, 30 renew, revoke and suspend licenses, as hereinafter provided. (9) It 31 shall in its discretion investigate and prosecute all violations of 32 provisions of this act. (10) It shall keep an official record which 33 shall show the name, age, nativity and permanent place of residence 34 of each applicant and licensee and such further information 35 concerning each applicant and licensee as the board shall deem 36 advisable. The record shall show also whether the applicant was 37 examined, licensed or rejected under this and any prior act. Copies 38 of any of the entries of the record or of any certificate issued by the 39 board may be authenticated by any member of the board under its 40 seal and when so authenticated shall be evidence in all courts of this 41 State of the same weight and force as the original thereof. For 42 authenticating a copy of any entry or entries contained in its record 43 the board shall be paid a fee of \$3.00, but such authentication, if 44 made at the request of any public agency of this or any other 45 jurisdiction, may be without fee. (11) In its discretion it may 46 publish at such times as it shall determine a list of nurses licensed 47 under this act, a list of schools of nursing accredited or approved under this act, and such other information as it shall deem 48

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1 advisable. (12) It shall prescribe standards and curricula for schools 2 of nursing and evaluate and approve courses for affiliation. (13) It 3 shall hear and determine applications for accreditation of schools of 4 professional nursing, conduct investigations before and after 5 accreditation of such schools and institutions with which they are 6 affiliated, and issue, suspend or revoke certificates of accreditation 7 as hereinafter provided. (14) It shall approve schools of practical 8 nursing which shall conform to the standards, curricula, and 9 requirements prescribed by the board, and suspend or revoke 10 approval for violations thereof; provided, that this power shall not 11 extend to schools operated by any board of education in this State. 12 (15) It may consult with the Medical Society of New Jersey and the 13 New Jersey Hospital Association with respect to any matter relating 14 to the administration of this act and shall consult with those 15 associations with respect to standards and curricula and any change 16 thereof for schools of nursing. (16) It shall issue subpoenas for the 17 attendance of witnesses and production of documents at any hearing 18 before the board authorized by this act and any member of the board 19 shall administer an oath or affirmation to persons appearing to give 20 testimony at such hearings. (17) It may conduct any investigations, 21 studies of nursing and nursing education and related matters, and 22 prepare and issue such publications as in the judgment of the board 23 will advance the profession of nursing and its service to the public. 24 (18) It shall perform all other functions which are provided in this 25 act to be performed by it or which in the judgment of the board are 26 necessary or proper for the administration of this act. (19) It shall 27 from time to time prescribe rules and regulations not inconsistent 28 with this act. (20) It shall prescribe standards and curricula for 29 homemaker-home health aide education and training programs 30 which a homemaker-home health aide shall complete in order to 31 work in this State, in accordance with section 2 of 32 P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill). 33 (21) It shall review applications to provide homemaker-home health 34 aide training programs and shall issue, suspend or revoke program 35 approval. (22) It shall establish and maintain a registry of all 36 individuals who have successfully completed a homemaker-home 37 health aide training and competency evaluation program. The board 38 shall provide for the inclusion in the registry of information about 39 the disqualification of any person from certification as a 40 homemaker-home health aide pursuant to sections 7 through 13 of 41 P.L.1997, c.100 (C.45:11-24.3 through 24.9), including the specific 42 documented findings constituting the basis for that disqualification; 43 except that the information shall indicate that the person was 44 convicted of a crime or disorderly persons offense as described in 45 section 7 of P.L.1997, c.100 (C.45:11-24.3), but shall not identify 46 the conviction or convictions which constitute the basis for the 47 disqualification. (23) It shall prescribe standards and requirements 48 for a competency evaluation program resulting in certification of

the homemaker-home health aide, and the renewal, revocation, and suspension of that certification. (24) It shall review applications for homemaker home-health aide certification and shall issue, suspend, revoke, or fail to renew certifications and conduct investigations pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-14 et seq.). (25) It shall require that nursing school curricula include, and shall prescribe standards for, the training of registered professional nurses in the supervision of, and the delegation of nursing tasks to, unlicensed assistive personnel, and shall further prescribe standards establishing the criteria for determining those tasks which registered professional nurses may delegate to unlicensed assistive personnel working under their supervision and the type of supervision required with respect to those personnel. (26) It shall prescribe standards and requirements for unlicensed assistive personnel, including initial education and continuing education and a competency evaluation program, which these personnel shall satisfy in order to work in this State. As used in this paragraph and in paragraph (25) of this subsection, "unlicensed assistive personnel" means any unlicensed or uncertified personnel employed by a licensed health care facility that perform nursing tasks which do not require the skill or judgment of a registered professional nurse and which are assigned to them by, and carried out under the supervision of, a registered professional nurse. (27) It may require licensees to meet continuing education requirements as a condition of relicensure.

- e. Compensation. Each member of the board shall receive \$15.00 per day for each day in which such member is actually engaged in the discharge of duties and traveling and other expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of duties.
- 30 (cf: P.L.2000, c.20, s.4)

- 2. (New section) a. The standards and curricula for the homemaker-home health aide education and training programs specified in subsection d. of section 2 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-24), shall provide for comprehensive training in the specialized care of a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder who receives services from a homemaker-home health aide as defined in section 1 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-23). The training program shall include, but not be limited to:
- (1) the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; and
- (2) the methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder, including, but not limited to: communicating with patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; and safety measures which need to be taken for a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder.

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- b. A person who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide on or after the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall successfully complete the training required by P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) as a condition of receiving certification.
  - c. A homemaker-home health aide who is certified on the effective date of P.L. (C. ) (pending before the , c. Legislature as this bill) shall successfully complete the training required by P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) as a condition of receiving the homemaker-home health aide's first recertification to be issued after the effective date of , c. P.L. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

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3. This act shall take effect on the first day of January of the year next following the date of enactment, except the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety and the New Jersey Board of Nursing may take any anticipatory administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the implementation of this act.

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### **STATEMENT**

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This bill amends current law to require that standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide education and training include comprehensive training in the specialized care of a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder who receives services from a homemaker-home health aide. Current law, section 2 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-24), requires the New Jersey Board of Nursing to prescribe standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide training which is to be completed in order to work as a homemaker-home health aide in this State. The law, however, does not specify training in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder. Since homemaker-home health aides spend many hours a day with patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder who reside in the community, it is important that these aides are well-trained to provide appropriate, competent, and compassionate care to better deal with the day-to-day challenges of caring for these patients.

The training program established under the bill is similar to the one required by P.L.2003, c.269 (C.26:2M-7.2) for direct-care staff in long-term care facilities, and would include the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder, and methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder. Specifically, the methods would include: 1) communicating with

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- patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder;
  2 psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with
  Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; and 3) safety measures
  which need to be taken for a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a
  related disorder.
- The bill requires a person who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide on or after the effective date of the bill to successfully complete training as a condition of receiving certification. Persons who already are certified as homemaker-home health aides would have to successfully complete the training as a condition of receiving their first recertification after the bill's effective date.

# SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

# STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 2960** 

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**DATED: JUNE 15, 2015** 

The Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2960.

As amended by the committee, this bill would require the standards and curricula that are used for homemaker-home health aide education and training to include comprehensive training in the specialized care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders who receive services from a homemaker-home health aide. "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders" would be defined to mean forms of dementia characterized by a general loss of intellectual abilities of sufficient severity to interfere with social or occupational functioning.

Current law, at section 2 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-24), requires the New Jersey Board of Nursing to prescribe standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide training which is to be completed in order to work as a homemaker-home health aide in this State. The law, however, does not specifically require training in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. Since homemaker-home health aides spend many hours a day with patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders who reside in the community, it is important that these aides are well-trained to provide appropriate, competent, and compassionate care to better deal with the day-to-day challenges of caring for these patients.

The training program established under the bill would be similar to the one required by P.L.2003, c.269 (C.26:2M-7.2) for direct-care staff in long-term care facilities, and would include training in the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, and methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. Specifically, the methods would include: 1) communicating with patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders; 2) psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related

disorders; and 3) safety measures which need to be taken for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

The bill requires a person who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide on or after the bill's effective date to successfully complete training as a condition of such certification. Persons who are already certified as homemaker-home health aides as of the bill's effective date would be required to successfully complete the training as a condition of receiving their first recertification after the bill's effective date.

The committee amended the bill to:

- Provide a definition of the phrase "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders;"
- Make technical corrections to eliminate references to "Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder" and replace with references to the defined phrase "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders," and correct grammar as needed to comport with the use of this newly defined phrase; and
- Make technical corrections to: reinsert a citation that was erroneously deleted by amendment in the bill, as introduced; correct punctuation used in existing law; and make plural terms singular.

# ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

# STATEMENT TO

# [First Reprint] **SENATE, No. 2960**

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 10, 2015

The Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2960(1R).

As amended, this bill revises the current law to provide that the standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide education and training may include comprehensive training in the specialized care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders who receive services from a homemaker-home health aide. Participation in a training program established under the bill will be optional.

Training programs established under the bill will be similar to those required by P.L.2003, c.269 (C.26:2M-7.2) for direct-care staff in long-term care facilities, and will include training in the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders and methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. Specifically, the methods will include: 1) communicating with patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders; 2) training concerning the psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders; and 3) safety measures which need to be taken for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

As amended, the bill provides that any person who is certified or who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide may complete a training and education program established under the bill. The New Jersey Board of Nursing will include in its registry of individuals who have completed a homemaker-home health aide training program a list of those who have completed a training program established under the bill.

As amended, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4331(1R), which the committee also reported on this date.

### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:**

The committee amendments provide that training in specialized care for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders is

optional, and is not a requirement for certification as a homemaker-home health aide.

The committee amendments provide that the registry of persons who have completed a homemaker-home health aide training program maintained by the New Jersey Board of Nursing will include a list of individuals who have completed a training program established under the bill.

The committee amendments revise the synopsis to reflect that training programs in care for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders are not mandatory.

# STATEMENT TO

# [Second Reprint] **SENATE, No. 2960**

with Assembly Floor Amendments (Proposed by Assemblyman GARCIA)

ADOPTED: DECEMBER17, 2015

These floor amendments remove a requirement for the New Jersey Board of Nursing to include in its registry of individuals who have completed a homemaker-home health aide training program a list of those who have completed a training program in the specialized care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders established under the bill.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 4331

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# 216th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 23, 2015

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman CARMELO G. GARCIA

District 33 (Hudson)

Assemblywoman VALERIE VAINIERI HUTTLE

District 37 (Bergen)

Assemblyman JOE DANIELSEN

**District 17 (Middlesex and Somerset)** 

Assemblyman WAYNE P. DEANGELO

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)** 

Assemblyman JAMEL C. HOLLEY

District 20 (Union)

Assemblyman DANIEL R. BENSON

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)** 

# **Co-Sponsored by:**

Assemblymen Caputo, Giblin, Assemblywomen Tucker and Jimenez

### **SYNOPSIS**

Requires training of homemaker-home health aides in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders.

# **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/8/2015)

**AN ACT** concerning homemaker-home health aides and amending and supplementing P.L.1947, c.262.

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

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- 1. Section 2 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-24) is amended to read as follows:
- 9 2. a. The board; appointment; terms. In addition to the 10 members appointed to represent the interests of the public pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1971, c.60 [as amended by P.L.1977, c.285] 11 (C.45:1-2.2)], the New Jersey Board of Nursing shall consist of 10 12 13 members, six of whom shall be registered professional nurses, two 14 of whom shall be licensed practical nurses, one of whom shall be an 15 advanced practice nurse, and one of whom shall be an additional 16 public member, all to be appointed by the Governor. Appointments 17 to the board shall be for terms of five years or for the unexpired 18 portion of a term in the case of a vacancy for any cause within a 19 term, and until a successor shall be appointed and qualified. In 20 making appointments the Governor shall give due consideration to, 21 but shall not be bound by, recommendations submitted by the 22 various nurses' professional associations of this State. Upon notice 23 and hearing, the Governor may remove from office any member of 24 the board for neglect of duty, incompetency, unprofessional or 25 dishonorable conduct.
  - Qualifications for appointment. The advanced practice nurse member shall be a resident of this State, shall be a graduate of an accredited advanced practice nurse program, shall have had at least five years' experience in professional nursing, shall at the time of appointment be actively working as an advanced practice nurse, and, except for the member first appointed, shall hold a certification as an advanced practice nurse pursuant to P.L.1991, c.377 (C.45:11-45 et al.). Each registered professional nurse member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this State; shall be a graduate of an accredited school of nursing within the United States; shall be a registered nurse in this State; shall have had at least five years' experience in professional nursing following graduation from an accredited school of nursing; and shall at the time of appointment be actively engaged in nursing or work relating thereto. The licensed practical nurse members of the board shall be citizens of the United States and residents of this State; shall hold a valid license to practice practical nursing in this State; shall have had at least three years' experience in practical nursing; and shall at the time of appointment be actively engaged in practical nursing or work related thereto.

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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c. Oath or affirmation of office. Within 30 days after receipt of the commission, each appointee shall take, subscribe and file in the office of the Secretary of State the oath or affirmation prescribed by law.

d. Duties and powers. The board shall have the following duties and powers: (1) It shall hold annual meetings and such other meetings as it may deem necessary at such times and places as the board shall prescribe and a majority of the board including one officer shall constitute a quorum. (2) It shall elect from its members and prescribe the duties of a president and secretarytreasurer, each of whom shall serve for one year and until a successor is elected. (3) It shall appoint and prescribe the duties of an executive secretary to the board who need not be a member thereof but who shall be a citizen of the United States, a graduate of a college or university with a major in nursing education, a registered nurse of this State with at least five years' experience in teaching or administration or both in an accredited school of professional nursing, or have equivalent qualifications determined by the board. The executive secretary shall hold office during the will and pleasure of the board. (4) It shall employ and prescribe the duties of such persons as in its judgment shall be necessary for the proper performance and execution of the duties and powers of the board. (5) It shall determine and pay reasonable compensation and necessary expenses of the executive secretary and all employees of the board. (6) It shall pay to each member of the board the compensation hereinafter provided. (7) It shall have a common seal, keep an official record of all its meetings, and through its secretary-treasurer report annually to the Governor the work of the board. (8) It shall examine applicants for a license or renewals thereof, issue, renew, revoke and suspend licenses, as hereinafter provided. (9) It shall in its discretion investigate and prosecute all violations of provisions of this act. (10) It shall keep an official record which shall show the name, age, nativity and permanent place of residence of each applicant and licensee and such further information concerning each applicant and licensee as the board shall deem advisable. The record shall show also whether the applicant was examined, licensed or rejected under this and any prior act. Copies of any of the entries of the record or of any certificate issued by the board may be authenticated by any member of the board under its seal and when so authenticated shall be evidence in all courts of this State of the same weight and force as the original thereof. For authenticating a copy of any entry or entries contained in its record the board shall be paid a fee of \$3.00, but such authentication, if made at the request of any public agency of this or any other jurisdiction, may be without fee. (11) In its discretion it may publish at such times as it shall determine a list of nurses licensed under this act, a list of schools of nursing accredited or approved under this act, and such other information as it shall

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1 deem advisable. (12) It shall prescribe standards and curricula for 2 schools of nursing and evaluate and approve courses for affiliation. 3 (13) It shall hear and determine applications for accreditation of 4 schools of professional nursing, conduct investigations before and 5 after accreditation of such schools and institutions with which they 6 are affiliated, and issue, suspend or revoke certificates of 7 accreditation as hereinafter provided. (14) It shall approve schools 8 of practical nursing which shall conform to the standards, curricula, 9 and requirements prescribed by the board, and suspend or revoke 10 approval for violations thereof; provided, that this power shall not 11 extend to schools operated by any board of education in this State. 12 (15) It may consult with the Medical Society of New Jersey and the 13 New Jersey Hospital Association with respect to any matter relating 14 to the administration of this act and shall consult with those 15 associations with respect to standards and curricula and any change 16 thereof for schools of nursing. (16) It shall issue subpoenas for the 17 attendance of witnesses and production of documents at any hearing 18 before the board authorized by this act and any member of the board 19 shall administer an oath or affirmation to persons appearing to give 20 testimony at such hearings. (17) It may conduct any investigations, 21 studies of nursing and nursing education and related matters, and 22 prepare and issue such publications as in the judgment of the board 23 will advance the profession of nursing and its service to the public. 24 (18) It shall perform all other functions which are provided in this 25 act to be performed by it or which in the judgment of the board are 26 necessary or proper for the administration of this act. (19) It shall 27 from time to time prescribe rules and regulations not inconsistent 28 with this act. (20) It shall prescribe standards and curricula for 29 homemaker-home health aide education and training programs 30 which a homemaker-home health aide shall complete in order to 31 work in this State, in accordance with section 2 of P.L. 32 ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill). (21) It 33 shall review applications to provide homemaker-home health aide 34 training programs and shall issue, suspend or revoke program 35 approval. (22) It shall establish and maintain a registry of all 36 individuals who have successfully completed a homemaker-home 37 health aide training and competency evaluation program. The board 38 shall provide for the inclusion in the registry of information about 39 the disqualification of any person from certification as a 40 homemaker-home health aide pursuant to sections 7 through 13 of 41 P.L.1997, c.100 (C.45:11-24.3 through 24.9), including the specific 42 documented findings constituting the basis for that disqualification; 43 except that the information shall indicate that the person was 44 convicted of a crime or disorderly persons offense as described in 45 section 7 of P.L.1997, c.100 (C.45:11-24.3), but shall not identify 46 the conviction or convictions which constitute the basis for the 47 disqualification. (23) It shall prescribe standards and requirements 48 for a competency evaluation program resulting in certification of

the homemaker-home health aide, and the renewal, revocation, and suspension of that certification. (24) It shall review applications for homemaker home-health aide certification and shall issue, suspend, revoke, or fail to renew certifications and conduct investigations pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-14 et seq.). (25) It shall require that nursing school curricula include, and shall prescribe standards for, the training of registered professional nurses in the supervision of, and the delegation of nursing tasks to, unlicensed assistive personnel, and shall further prescribe standards establishing the criteria for determining those tasks which registered professional nurses may delegate to unlicensed assistive personnel working under their supervision and the type of supervision required with respect to those personnel. (26) It shall prescribe standards and requirements for unlicensed assistive personnel, including initial education and continuing education and a competency evaluation program, which these personnel shall satisfy in order to work in this State. As used in this paragraph and in paragraph (25) of this subsection, "unlicensed assistive personnel" means any unlicensed or uncertified personnel employed by a licensed health care facility that perform nursing tasks which do not require the skill or judgment of a registered professional nurse and which are assigned to them by, and carried out under the supervision of, a registered professional nurse. (27) It may require licensees to meet continuing education requirements as a condition of relicensure.

- e. Compensation. Each member of the board shall receive \$15.00 per day for each day in which such member is actually engaged in the discharge of duties and traveling and other expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of duties.
- 30 (cf: P.L.2000, c.20, s.4)

- 2. (New section) a. The standards and curricula for the homemaker-home health aide education and training programs specified in subsection d. of section 2 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-24), shall provide for comprehensive training in the specialized care of a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder who receives services from a homemaker-home health aide as defined in section 1 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-23). The training program shall include, but not be limited to:
- (1) the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; and
- (2) the methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder, including, but not limited to: communicating with patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; and safety measures which need to be taken for a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder.

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- b. A person who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide on or after the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall successfully complete the training required by P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) as a condition of receiving certification.
- c. A homemaker-home health aide who is certified on the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall successfully complete the training required by P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) as a condition of receiving the homemaker-home health aide's first recertification to be issued after the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

3. This act shall take effect on the first day of January of the year next following the date of enactment, except the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety and the New Jersey Board of Nursing may take any anticipatory administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the implementation of this act.

### **STATEMENT**

This bill amends current law to require that standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide education and training include comprehensive training in the specialized care of a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder who receives services from a homemaker-home health aide. Current law, section 2 of P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-24), requires the New Jersey Board of Nursing to prescribe standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide training which is to be completed in order to work as a homemaker-home health aide in this State. The law, however, does not specify training in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder. Since homemaker-home health aides spend many hours a day with patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder who reside in the community, it is important that these aides are well-trained to provide appropriate, competent, and compassionate care to better deal with the day-to-day challenges of caring for these patients.

The training program established under the bill is similar to the one required by P.L.2003, c.269 (C.26:2M-7.2) for direct-care staff in long-term care facilities, and would include the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder, and methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder. Specifically, the methods would include: 1) communicating with patients with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; 2)

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psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with 1 2 Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder; and 3) safety measures 3 which need to be taken for a patient with Alzheimer's disease or a 4 related disorder. 5 The bill requires a person who applies for certification as a 6 homemaker-home health aide on or after the effective date of the 7 bill to successfully complete training as a condition of receiving 8 certification. Persons who already are certified as homemaker-9 home health aides would have to successfully complete the training 10 as a condition of receiving their first recertification after the bill's effective date. 11

# ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

# STATEMENT TO

# ASSEMBLY, No. 4331

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 10, 2015

The Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4331.

As amended, this bill revises the current law to provide that the standards and curricula for homemaker-home health aide education and training may include comprehensive training in the specialized care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders who receive services from a homemaker-home health aide. Participation in a training program established under the bill will be optional.

Training programs established under the bill will be similar to those required by P.L.2003, c.269 (C.26:2M-7.2) for direct-care staff in long-term care facilities, and will include training in the causes and progression of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders and methods to deal with the specific problems encountered in the care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. Specifically, the methods will include: 1) communicating with patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders; 2) training concerning the psychological, social, and physical needs of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders; and 3) safety measures which need to be taken for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

As amended, the bill provides that any person who is certified or who applies for certification as a homemaker-home health aide may complete a training and education program established under the bill. The New Jersey Board of Nursing will include in its registry of individuals who have completed a homemaker-home health aide training program a list of those who have completed a training program established under the bill.

As amended, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2960(2R), which the committee also reported on this date.

### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:**

The committee amendments provide that training in specialized care for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders is optional, and is not a requirement for certification as a homemaker-home health aide.

The committee amendments provide that the registry of persons who have completed a homemaker-home health aide training program maintained by the New Jersey Board of Nursing will include a list of individuals who have completed a training program established under the bill.

The committee amendments add a definition of "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders," and update references to such conditions throughout the bill. The committee amendments also make a technical correction to a statutory citation.

The committee amendments revise the synopsis to reflect that training programs in care for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders are not mandatory.

# **fSTATEMENT TO**

# [First Reprint] **ASSEMBLY, No. 4331**

with Assembly Floor Amendments (Proposed by Assemblyman GARCIA)

ADOPTED: DECEMBER 17, 2015

These floor amendments remove a requirement for the New Jersey Board of Nursing to include in its registry of individuals who have completed a homemaker-home health aide training program a list of those who have completed a training program in the specialized care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders established under the bill.

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# Governor Chris Christie Takes Action On Pending Legislation From The 216th Legislative Session

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**Trenton, NJ –** Furthering his administration's commitment to New Jersey's veterans and military personnel, Governor Chris Christie took action today on legislation from the 216th Legislative Session, including 11 legislative measures designed to assist both active military members and veterans, along with their families.

"From the very start of this administration, we have focused on serving the needs of our veterans and the men and women still in active duty, assisting them with everything from securing jobs to finding the proper health care and social services," said Governor Christie. "The bills I signed today continue to make good on our promise to help those who have given so much of themselves to defend and serve this nation find a seamless transition back to civilian life and receive a helping-hand, when needed, no matter how long after their discharge from the military."

### The enacted legislation includes:

- S-172/A-2276 (Whelan, Beach/DeAngelo, Quijano) Exempts disabled veterans and Purple Heart recipients from
  payment of municipal parking meter fees when their vehicles bear a disable veteran's or Purple Heart license plate or
  placard issued by New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission
- S-2972/A-4465 (Van Drew, Cruz-Perez/Andrzejczak, Tucker, Benson) Requires DMVA assist and mentor veterans through criminal justice system
- A-1667/S-2155 (Johnson, DeAngelo, Andrzejczak, Mukherji, Pintor Marin/Van Drew, A.R. Bucco) Permits
  child whose parent or guardian is ordered into active military service to remain enrolled in school district where child's
  parent or guardian resided prior to active military service
- A-2935/S-1325 (Andrzejczak, Lagana, Webber, Mosquera, Lampitt/Van Drew, A.R. Bucco) Authorizes property tax deferment for deployed military personnel
- A-2299/S-239 (Andrzejczak, Benson/Van Drew, Stack) Requires municipalities to exempt 100% disabled veterans from construction permit surcharge fees for improvements to promote living unit accessibility; appropriates \$20,000 for municipal reimbursements
- A-3552/S-2636 (Mazzeo, Andrzejczak, Mukherji, Benson/Beach, Van Drew) Creates financial planning assistance program for disabled veterans and their caregivers
- A-3554/S-2606 (Mazzeo, Andrzejczak, Mukherji, Benson, Danielsen/Beach, Cruz-Perez) Increases income eligibility cap to receive respite care for certain veterans
- AS for A-3750/S-2569 (Lampitt, Tucker, Andrzejczak, Singleton, Mosquera/Beach, Allen) Requires Adjutant General to create informational webpage for women veterans
- A-4148/S-2731 (Andrzejczak, Benson/Van Drew, Beach) Provides an excused absence on Veterans Day for
  pupil who participates in certain activities for veterans or active duty members of United States Armed Forces or New
  Jersey National Guard

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- A-4323/S-2952 (DeAngelo, Lagana, Muoio, Benson/Beach, Whelan) Expands timeframe for renewal of driver's license, registration, and inspection by military personnel and immediate family members under certain circumstances.
- AJR-117/SJR-85 (Tucker, Holley, Vainieri Huttle/Beach, Whelan, Madden) Urges Congress to restore funding to Vets4Warriors veteran suicide hotline

The Governor also took the following action on other pending legislation:

### **BILL SIGNINGS:**

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- S-451/A-1103 (Ruiz, Allen/Vainieri Huttle, Singleton, Benson) Establishes Office of the Special Education Ombudsman in DOE
- S-485/A-1976 (Cunningham, Ruiz/Lampitt, Mosquera, Quijano) -Requires president of public institution of higher education to regularly report on-campus criminal and fire events to the institution's governing board
- S-489/A-4926 (Cunningham, T. Kean/Diegnan, Mukherji, Benson) Authorizes institutions of higher education to grant college credit to high school students who complete the Jersey Boys State or Jersey Girls State program
- S-832/A-2039 (Whelan, Beach/Moriarty, Stender, Garcia) Permits voter registration of certain persons at age 17 for voting at next election occurring on or after 18th birthday
- S-1046/A-2721 (Turner, Scutari/Gusciora) Concerns alterations in child support obligations in response to changes to status of supported child
- S-1184/A-1950 (Vitale, Beach/Conaway, Diegnan, Sumter, Danielsen) Revises requirements for licensure and creates physician-delegated scope of practice for physician assistants
- S-1346wGR/A-3837 (Rice/Coughlin, Garcia, Rodriquez-Gregg, Pintor Marin, Jasey) Concerns the recording of mortgages
- S-1447/A-2829 (Greenstein, Addiego/Johnson, Mainor, Rible, Quijano) Prohibits posting, publishing on the Internet, or disclosing certain information regarding law enforcement officers
- S-1567/A-410 (A.R. Bucco, Van Drew/A.M. Bucco, Bramnick, Johnson, Quijano, Rumana) Establishes DOT roadside memorial program for fallen police officers, sheriff's officers, EMS workers, and firefighters; designated as "Patrolman Joseph Wargo's Law"
- S-1687/A-4924 (Ruiz, Vitale/Diegnan, Eustace) Permits students made homeless by act of terrorism or natural disaster to attend tuition-free the school district in which they resided prior to being homeless for two school years after the event
- S-2032wGR/A-3440 (Codey, Turner/Diegnan, Eustace) Requires DOE to review Core Curriculum Content Standards to ensure that they incorporate modern computer science standards where appropriate
- S-2110/A-3343 (Oroho/Space, Vainieri Huttle, Schaer, Phoebus, Pinkin) Requires nursing homes to offer form designating beneficiary of personal needs allowance accounts from incoming and current residents

- S-2201/A-3273 (O'Toole/Russo, Rumana, Casagrande) Authorizes youth camps to maintain supply of
  epinephrine and permit trained employees to administer epinephrine to camp members suffering from anaphylasis
- SCS for S-2251/A-3708 (Oroho, Barnes/Diegnan, Webber, Johnson, Space, Phoebus) Increases monetary amounts for transfer of estate assets without administration and for exemption from debts of the deceased
- S-2260wGR/A-688 (Scutari, Cardinale/Schaer) Modifies certain fees charged by, and requirements imposed on, check casher licensees
- · S-2284wGR/A-3549 (Pou, Weinberg/Schaer, Vainieri Huttle, Webber, Singleton, Jimenez, Johnson, Bramnick)
- Requires Medicaid managed care organizations to meet certain conditions prior to reducing reimbursement rates for personal care assistant services and home-based supportive care services
- S-2442/A-3891 (T. Kean, Sarlo/Bramnick, Rodriquez-Gregg, Johnson, Casagrande, Schepisi) Establishes NJ Innovation and Research Fellowship Program in DOLWD
- S-2495/A-3868 (Codey, Rice/Conaway, Singleton, Eustace, Coughlin) Authorizes State-chartered banks, savings banks, savings and loans, and credit unions to conduct certain savings account promotions
- S-2617/A-3944 (Cardinale/Garcia, McKeon, Auth, Eustace, Pinkin) Requires DEP to adopt regulations to allow cultivation of commercial shellfish species in certain coastal and inner harbor waters for research, educational, or restoration purposes; requires community engagement process for revision thereof
- S-2627/A-3957 (Cardinale, Sacco/Schepisi, Auth, Eustace, Rumana, Johnson) Designates State Highway
   Route 17 in Borough of Ramsey as "Staff Sergeant Timothy R. McGill Memorial Highway"
- S-2695/A-4110 (T. Kean, Sacco/Dancer, Benson, Jimenez, Johnson) Requires MVC conduct study and make recommendations concerning electronic driver's licenses and mobile applications
- S-2741/A-4213 (Doherty/Vainieri Huttle, Webber) Permits unregulated solicitation to perform snow shoveling within 24 hours of predicted snowstorm
- S-2787wGR/A-4273 (Sweeney/Singleton, Burzichelli, Giblin, Prieto, Wimberly) Establishes vocational training pilot program in DOC; provides for inmate compensation for education and workforce training participation
- S-2880/A-4704 (Lesniak, T. Kean/Diegnan, Wisniewski) Provides up to \$25 million in tax credits under Economic Redevelopment and Growth Grant Program for certain infrastructure at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey
- S-2922/A-4925 (Ruiz, Turner/Diegnan, Jasey) Requires DOE on its website to link to Department of Treasury's
  website where list is maintained of all third party individuals and vendors employed or retained for work associated with
  State assessments
- S-2923/A-4901 (Ruiz, Turner/Jasey, Caputo) Requires school district or charter school to provide notification to parent or guardian of enrolled student on upcoming administration of State assessments or commercially-developed standardized assessment
- S-2960/A-4331 (Codey, Rice/Garcia, Vainieri Huttle, Danielsen, DeAngelo, Holley, Benson, Mukherji) -

Establishes requirements for training programs for homemaker-home health aides in care of patients with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders

- S-3019/A-4771 (Sweeney, Stack/Burzichelli, Muoio) Requires filing of financial agreement for long term tax exemption with county finance officer and counsel; requires quarterly payment of county share of payment in lieu of tax
- S-3129/A-4728 (Madden, Cunningham/DeAngelo, Benson, Lampitt, Quijano) Directs DOLWD to provide information regarding employee leave and benefit rights
- S-3168/A-4769 (Sweeney, O'Toole/Burzichelli) Limits increase in annual budget requests of certain county entities
- S-3170/A-4768 (Pou, Bateman/Burzichelli) Requires county superintendent of elections to operate pursuant to county administrative code; subjects certain salary costs of office of county superintendent of elections to review and approval by county governing body
- · S-3171/A-4575 (Whelan, Oroho/Greenwald, Burzichelli) Creates definition of certified mail
- S-3182/A-4690 (Ruiz, Pou/Pintor Marin, Spencer, Sumter) Delays certain documentation submission deadlines under certain business tax credit programs
- S-3207/A-4714 (Vitale, T. Kean/Lampitt, Mosquera) Limits liability of caregivers when facilitating normalcy for children in foster care
- S-3240/A-4878 (Lesniak, Allen/Spencer, Sumter, Holley, Eustace) Authorizes establishment of recovery high school alternative education programs
- S-3242/A-4856 (Vitale, Sweeney/Vainieri Huttle) Clarifies best interests of the child should be primary
  consideration in actions undertaken by State governmental entities and courts of law
- S-3243/A-4702 (Vitale, Greenstein/Vainieri Huttle, Spencer) Provides that if minor appears to have been sexually assaulted, health care professionals in addition to physicians may authorize forensic sexual assault examination and medical care without parental consent
- S-3247/A-4928 (Ruiz, Pou/Sumter, Wimberly) Eliminates cap on cost of SDA district school facilities projects that may be constructed by district and included in capital outlay budget
- S-3282wGR/A-4850 (Rice, Cunningham/Wimberly, Mainor, Johnson) Expands Police Training Commission membership to include representative from Northern New Jersey and South Jersey Chapters of National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives
- S-3303/A-4469 (Whelan/Quijano, Mukherji, Jimenez) Makes fraudulent use of social security number to collect lottery winnings crime of fourth degree
- S-3321/A-4927 (Smith, Van Drew, Bateman/Spencer, Rumana) Authorizes DEP to require public access to waterfront and adjacent shoreline as condition of waterfront development approvals and CAFRA permits

- SJR-22/AJR-40 (Weinberg/Johnson, Vainieri Huttle) Designates January 14 of each year as "Hannah G. Solomon Day"
- ACS for A-206, 471, 1663, 2879, 3060, 3108wGR/S-2663 (Green, Spencer, Gusciora, Johnson, McKeon, Giblin, Wimberly, Mainor, Quijano/Turner, Lesniak, Pou) - Shortens waiting periods for expungement of criminal and other records and information; makes various changes to other expungement procedures and requirements
- A-311/S-2426 (Bramnick, Diegnan, Wimberly, Gusciora/Ruiz, T. Kean) Requires public schools to weight
  courses in visual and performing arts equally with other courses worth same number of credits in calculating grade
  point average
- ACS for A-428/S-393 (Jimenez, Prieto/Sacco, Sarlo) Expands DNA database to include samples from disorderly
  persons who are fingerprinted and permits law enforcement officers to collect certain biological samples
- A-801wGR/S-861 (Coughlin, Wisniewski, Mazzeo/Vitale, Sacco) Directs New Jersey Turnpike Authority and South Jersey Transportation Authority to study and report on potential revenue generating services of rest areas and service plazas
- A-984/S-1534 (Andrzejczak, Wimberly/Van Drew, Bateman) Enhances penalty for tampering with evidence after fleeing the scene of an accident resulting in death
- A-1455/S-2011 (Diegnan, Mosquera, Caputo, Jasey, Mukherji/Madden, Holzapfel) Abigail's Law; requires that newly-manufactured school buses be equipped with sensors
- A-1462/S-3288 (Diegnan, Wimberly/Gill) Requires coin redemption machine operators to disclose fees
- A-1466 (Diegnan, O'Donnell, Mainor, Garcia) Allows for waiver of school bus requirements for mobility
  assistance vehicle technicians who transport students with medical needs to and from school
- A-1726wGR/S-308 (Eustace, Lagana, Mosquera, Vainieri Huttle, Wimberly/Gordon) Amends "Flood Hazard Area Control Act" to require DEP to take certain actions concerning delineations of flood hazard areas and floodplains
- A-1812/S-2717 (Mosquera, Mazzeo, Andrzejczak/Cruz-Perez, Oroho, Jones) Extends protections of the new vehicle "lemon law" to new farm tractors purchased or leased in New Jersey
- A-1958/S-1848 (Allen, Van Drew) Concerns exemptions from permits for certain agricultural activities under "Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act"
- A-2597/S-2161 (Singleton, Diegnan, DiMaio/Ruiz, Beach) Provides that beginning with the 2016-2017 grade
  nine class, Advanced Placement computer science course may satisfy a part of the mathematics credits required for
  high school graduation
- A-2839/S-2620 (Burzichelli, Space, Phoebus/Oroho, Turner) "New Jersey Rural Microenterprise Act"
- · A-2915/S-2035 (Lagana, McKeon, Ciattarelli/Bateman, Barnes) "Uniform Trust Code"

- A-2943/S-1312 (Andrzejczak, DeAngelo, Mazzeo, Quijano, Danielsen/Van Drew, Allen) Provides for voluntary
  contributions by taxpayers on gross income tax returns for active duty members of United States Armed Forces,
  Reserve components thereof, and National Guard from New Jersey
- A-3006/S-3272 (Conaway, Singleton, Eustace, DiMaio, Danielsen/Beach, Turner) Establishes procedure for consolidating fire districts
- A-3019/S-1978 (Singleton, Conaway, Andrzejczak, Mazzeo, Garcia, Mosquera/Van Drew, Beach) Requires
   State Employment and Training Commission to prepare annual report on State workforce
- A-3043/S-1943 (Space, DeAngelo, Egan, Phoebus, Moriarty/Oroho, Van Drew) Concerns authority of DOLWD to inspect prevailing wage public work projects
- A-3044/S-1944 (Space, DeAngelo, Egan, Phoebus, Moriarty/Oroho, Van Drew)
   Requires Commissioner of DOLWD to disseminate certain information to contractors who bid on or perform prevailing wage public work
- A-3225/S-2333 (Singleton, Rible, Lampitt, Quijano, Pintor Marin, Jimenez/Sweeney) Provides for licensure of chiropractic assistants
- A-3228/S-2499 (Mukherji, Vainieri Huttle, Mosquera, Garcia/Turner) Requires sober living homes and other substance abuse aftercare treatment facilities to provide certain notifications to next-of-kin when patient is released from care; designated as "Nick Rohdes' Law"
- A-3257wGR/S-2125 (Andrzejczak, Mazzeo, Burzichelli/Van Drew) Provides that determination by county agriculture development board or State Agriculture Development Committee as to what qualifies as farm-based recreational activity in pinelands protection area is binding on Pinelands Commission
- A-3276/S-2248 (Mazzeo/Whelan) "Mainland Memoriam Act"; directs MVC to create graduated driver's license informational material to be distributed by motor vehicle dealers
- A-3435wGR/S-2503 (Garcia, Mukherji, Vainieri Huttle, Mainor, Eustace, Mosquera/Stack, Gordon) "Boys & Girls Clubs Keystone Law"; permits minors to give consent for behavioral health care
- A-3850/S-2467 (DeAngelo, Eustace, Mazzeo, Pintor Marin, Benson/Turner, Singer) Requires BPU to establish procedures allowing electric power and gas supplier customers to switch energy suppliers
- A-3927/S-2820 (Andrzejczak, Mazzeo, Taliaferro, Dancer/Van Drew, Oroho) Requires drivers to slow down before passing slow moving vehicles; establishes Statewide educational campaign on rural roadway safety; updates agriculture-related motor vehicle laws to reflect current industry practices
- A-3955/S-2644 (Conaway, Benson, Vainieri Huttle, Munoz, Sumter, Mukherji/Vitale, Codey) Requires development and maintenance of database to advise public about open bed availability in residential substance use disorders treatment facilities
- A-4098/S-2877 (Pinkin, Sumter, Benson/Codey, Greenstein) Prohibits sale or distribution of liquid nicotine
  except in child-resistant containers

- A-4105/S-2977 (Garcia, Mainor, Mukherji, O'Donnell, Sumter, Rible, A.M. Bucco/Greenstein, Cunningham) Expands scope of law governing registration of security guards; designated as " Detective Vincent Santiago's Law"
- A-4133/S-2997 (Giblin, Pinkin/Cruz-Perez, Allen) Allows dispensation of certain nutritional supplements by physician or podiatric physician
- A-4275wGR/S-2831 (Prieto, Eustace, Lagana, Greenwald, Quijano, Danielsen, Mukherji/Sweeney, Turner,
   Sarlo) "New Jersey Secure Choice Saving Program Act"; establishes retirement savings program for certain workers
- A-4386wGR/S-3042 (Coughlin, Pinkin, Vitale, Singer) Permits candidates for school board to circulate petitions
  jointly and be bracketed together on ballot; permits short nonpolitical designation of principles on petitions and ballots;
  provides for study of impact of changes
- A-4387/S-3016 (Coughlin, Wisniewski, Wimberly/Vitale) Requires MVC to allow submission of "Next-of-Kin Registry" information by mail
- A-4388/S-3041 (Coughlin, Wisniewski/Vitale) Designates State Highway 184 in Woodbridge Township as "Bruce Turcotte Memorial Highway"
- A-4415/S-3279 (Diegnan, Garcia, Pinkin/Turner, Ruiz) Establishes State Seal of Biliteracy to recognize high school graduates who have attained a high level of bilingual proficiency
- A-4420/S-3056 (Mazzeo, Vainieri Huttle, DeAngelo, Lampitt/Gordon, Greenstein) Requires certain notifications for termination of services to persons with developmental disabilities and providers
- A-4476wGR/S-2876 (Conaway/Codey) Requires certain surgical practices and ambulatory care facilities licensed in this State to be owned by hospital or medical school located in the State
- A-4719/S-3250 (Moriarty, Mosquera, Vainieri Huttle, DeAngelo, Diegnan, Mukherji/Cruz-Perez, Ruiz) Extends
  use of stored driver's license picture for person undergoing chemotherapy or other treatment for certain medical
  illnesses
- CC for A-4863/S-3233 (A.M. Bucco, Phoebus, Munoz, Wisniewski, Oliver/A.R. Bucco) Requires warning sign to be posted at pontoon boat rental businesses; designated as "Christopher's Law"
- AJR-112/SJR-86 (Conaway/Weinberg) Designates May of each year as "Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month"
   BILLS POCKET VETOED:
- S-221/A-4155 (Allen, Vitale/Vainieri Huttle, Sumter, Lampitt) Prohibits the restraint of prisoners during and immediately after childbirth
- S-316/A-1739 (Gordon/Eustace, Ciattarelli, Lagana, Gusciora) Increases flexibility, clarity, and available tools of optional municipal consolidation process
- S-564/A-4186 (Smith, Bateman/Eustace, McKeon, Spencer, Benson) Establishes "Solar Roof Installation Warranty Program" in EDA and transfers \$2 million from societal benefits charge to initially fund program

- S-602/A-3254 (Codey, Vitale/Vainieri Huttle, Angelini, Lampitt, Diegnan, Jasey, Conaway, Moriarty) Raises minimum age for purchase and sale of tobacco products and electronic smoking devices from 19 to 21
- SCS for S-726, 1257/ACS for A-1405 (Turner, Cruz-Perez, Beach, T. Kean/Lampitt, Egan, Quijano, Sumter, Danielsen) Establishes innovation zone program to stimulate technology industry clusters around New Jersey's research institutions; allows certain technology businesses located in certain innovation zones to receive certain tax credits under Grow New Jersey Assistance Program
- S-1232/A-3314 (Weinberg, Pennacchio/Johnson, Greenwald, Wimberly, Mosquera) Establishes Office of State Dental Director and New Jersey Oral Health Commission
- S-1279/A-2325 (Rice, Van Drew/Spencer, Muoio, Benson, Pintor Marin) Makes FY 2016 supplemental Grants-in-Aid appropriation of \$10 million to DCA for Lead Hazard Control Assistance Fund
- S-1414/A-2405 (Smith, Bateman/Eustace, Benson, Johnson) Concerns low emission and zero emission vehicles; establishes Clean Vehicle Task Force
- SCS for S-1420/ACS for A-1603 (Beach, Whelan, Smith, Sweeney, Bateman, Thompson/Spencer, Eustace, Quijano, Wimberly) Requires paint producers to implement or participate in paint stewardship program
- S-1436/A-4687 (Rice/Green, Holley) Exempts sales to homeowner assistance and recovery programs from realty transfer fees
- S-1594/A-4044 (Turner/Peterson, Lagana, Rible, Jasey, Wimberly) Requires a public school district to provide a
  daily recess period for students in grades kindergarten through 5
- S-1961/A-4111 (Codey/McKeon, Jasey, Vainieri Huttle, Garcia) Establishes certain minimum and maximum temperatures in emergency shelters, rooming and boarding houses, and certain nursing homes and residential health care facilities
- S-2143/ACS for A-1682, 3547 (Van Drew, Singer/Wisniewski, Andrzejczak, Webber) Establishes time periods for adverse possession of certain property
- S-2375/A-3700 (Vitale, Singer/Mazzeo, Vainieri Huttle, Lagana, Sumter, A.M. Bucco) Provides for licensure of ambulatory care facilities to provide integrated primary care services including behavioral health care
- · S-2491/A-4069 (Smith/Danielsen, Pinkin, Benson) Establishes position of State Oceanographer
- S-2515/A-3269 (Scutari/Mukherji, Burzichelli, McKeon, Garcia) Confers title of Acting Associate Justice of the Supreme Court on certain judges of the Supreme Court, Appellate Division, temporarily assigned to the Supreme Court
- SCS for S-2521/ACS for A-3888 (Gill, Allen/Lampitt, Benson, Vainieri Huttle, Eustace) Establishes Pedestrian
  and Bicycle Safety Advisory Council
- S-2623/A-4849 (Turner/Wimberly, Mainor, Johnson) Requires law enforcement agencies in this State to establish minority recruitment and selection programs; establishes reporting requirement

- S-2640/A-4026 (Madden, Pou/Lampitt, Mosquera, Vainieri Huttle) Establishes New Jersey Caregiver Task Force to evaluate and provide recommendations on caregiver support services
- S-2711/A-4128 (Smith, Whelan/Mazzeo, DeAngelo, Spencer, Singleton, McKeon, Danielsen, Johnson) Permits BPU to approve qualified wind energy project; requires BPU to provide application periods for those projects
- S-2716/A-4359 (Ruiz, Turner/Pintor Marin, Spencer, Sumter, Caride) Requires that school district's request for permission to use unrecognized position title include list of abolished positions and positions in which there have been layoffs and detailed job descriptions for them
- S-2769/AS for ACS for A-4197, 4206 (Smith, Bateman/Andrzejczak, McKeon, Spencer, Pintor Marin, Dancer, Vainieri Huttle) - Implements 2014 constitutional dedication of CBT revenues for certain environmental purposes; revises State's open space, farmland, and historic preservation programs
- S-2793/A-3962 (Whelan/Vainieri Huttle) Increases from 17 to 21 public members of New Jersey State Council on the Arts; requires members to be residents of NJ; imposes specific criteria for four new members initially appointed
- S-2806/A-4913 (Cunningham, Vitale, Singer/Muoio, Spencer) Removes restrictions on convicted drug offenders
  receiving general assistance benefits under Work First New Jersey program
- S-2878/A-4636 (Stack, Weinberg/Jimenez, Lagana, Mukherji, Vainieri Huttle, Giblin, Moriarty) Establishes minimum certified nurse aide-to-resident ratios in nursing homes
- S-2975/A-4548 (Sarlo, Pou/Wimberly) Establishes pilot program in Paterson authorizing non-disclosure of records of certain expungements
- S-3067/A-4653 (Barnes, Turner/Diegnan, Oliver) Requires teachers of health and physical education in grades kindergarten through six in public schools to possess appropriate endorsement to instructional certificate
- S-3071/A-4639 (Weinberg, Gordon/Vainieri Huttle, Garcia, Eustace, Johnson)
   Establishes Mike Adler Aphasia Task Force to assess needs of persons with aphasia, and their families, and ensure adequate provision of support services and information thereto
- S-3201/A-3607 (Barnes, Holzapfel/Dancer, McGuckin, Rible, A.M. Bucco) Requires interior light of motor vehicle be turned on when stopped by law enforcement under certain circumstances
- S-3244/A-2740 (Ruiz, Sarlo/Diegnan, Johnson, Jasey) Eliminates school district budget per pupil administrative
  cost limits
- S-3249/A-4717 (Weinberg, Codey/Johnson, Vainieri Huttle, Eustace, Garcia) Requires firearm retailers to sell
  personalized handguns
- S-3277/A-4764 (Cruz-Perez/Burzichelli) Expands municipal authority to license and inspect residential rental property
- S-3299/A-4903 (Sweeney, Singer, Vitale/Burzichelli, Rible, Pintor Marin, Mukherji, Lagana, Vainieri Huttle) -

Maintains property tax exemption for certain nonprofit hospitals with on-site for-profit medical providers; requires these hospitals to pay community service contributions to host municipalities; establishes Nonprofit Hospital Community Service Contribution Study Commission

- S-3416/A-4808 (Lesniak, Sarlo/Eustace, Gusciora) Prohibits possession, transport, import, export, processing, sale, or shipment of parts and products of certain animal species threatened with extinction
- SJR-77/A-JR104 (Bateman, Whelan/Ciattarelli, McKeon, Eustace) Permits county commissioners of registration and boards of election to conduct "Electronic Poll Book Demonstration Project" in certain districts during 2016 elections; requires Division of Elections review and approval of proposed projects
- A-431/S-2773 (Jimenez/Singer) Requires clinical laboratory that provides services for accountable care
  organization to establish clinical laboratory testing advisory board
- A-943/S-2967 (Singleton, Conaway, Moriarty, Green, Lampitt, Mazzeo/Van Drew) Permits small businesses to qualify for loans from NJEDA for costs of energy audit and making energy efficiency or conservation improvements
- A-945/S-2402 (Singleton, Lampitt, Schaer, Wimberly, Garcia/Rice, Turner) Establishes New Jersey Council on Responsible Fatherhood and Responsible Fatherhood Fund
- A-964/S-187 (Singleton, DeAngelo, Quijano, Coughlin, Moriarty/Whelan, Madden) Requires certain bidders for prevailing wage public work to provide proof that the prevailing wage will be paid
- A-986/S-247 (Andrzejczak, Benson, Danielsen, Moriarty/Van Drew, Cunningham) Establishes telemarketing fraud investigation unit
- A-1035/S-2040 (Benson, Rible, A.M. Bucco/Scutari, Cardinale) Prohibits health insurance carriers from
  requiring optometrists to become providers with vision care plans as condition of becoming providers in carriers' panel
  of providers
- A-1039/S-2310 (Benson, Prieto, Caride, Quijano/Sacco, Greenstein) Sets forth certain standards to be followed by law enforcement agencies and fire departments when utilizing drones
- A-1431/S-1501 (Caride, Singleton, Jasey/Bateman, Addiego) Requires State Board of Education regulations regarding school nurse certification to include certain minimum eligibility requirements
- A-1849/S-1766 (Lampitt, Spencer/Rice) Prohibits State Board of Education from limiting number of certain twoyear college credits that may be applied towards meeting teacher certification requirements
- A-2026/S-3317 (Greenwald, Pintor Marin/Sweeney, Oroho) Realigning the transfer inheritance tax payment due date to coincide with the payment due dates for State and federal estate taxes
- A-2583 (DeAngelo, Pintor Marin) Requires development of fact sheet about bedbugs to be posted on the
  Department of Education's website
- A-2586/S-1796 (DeAngelo, Quijano, Benson/Greenstein) Establishes "Energy Infrastructure Study Commission"

- A-2925/S-1033 (Lagana, O'Scanlon, Burzichelli, Garcia/Weinberg, Oroho, Van Drew) Allows modernization for the form of disbursement for certain State government and local unit payments to individuals and business entities
- A-3460/S-2191 (Conaway, Pinkin, Sumter, Casagrande, Wimberly/Vitale, Cruz-Perez) Requires Medicaid
  coverage for diabetes self-management education, training, services, and equipment for patients diagnosed with
  diabetes, gestational diabetes, and pre-diabetes
- A-3806/S-2493 (Singleton, Dancer, Mosquera, Benson/Sweeney, Weinberg) Establishes four-year pilot program in Ocean County for electronic monitoring of certain domestic violence offenders; designated as "Lisa's Law"; appropriates \$2.5 million
- A-4182/S-1995 (Eustace, Sumter, Wimberly, Danielsen, Jimenez/Bateman, Smith) Prohibits firearm
  possession by persons convicted of carjacking, gang criminality, racketeering and terroristic threats
- A-4271/S-3036 (Conaway, Benson, Pinkin, Wimberly/Vitale, Greenstein) Mandates health benefits coverage for opioid analgesics with abuse-deterrent properties
- A-4343/S-2888 (Schaer, Prieto, Sumter, Danielsen, Johnson/Turner) Requires county and municipal police departments to establish cultural diversity training course and plan
- A-4384/S-3145 (DeAngelo, Pintor Marin, Danielsen, Schaer, Johnson/Whelan) Requires BPU to render decision on case within 12 months of final public hearing or hold another public hearing prior to deciding case
- ACS for A-4576/S-1771 (Johnson, Wimberly, Spencer, Tucker/Turner) Requires lowest possible price not exceeding certain cap for inmate telephone calls
- A-4616/S-2958 (Giblin, DeAngelo, Mukherji/Sweeney) Extends by two months seasonal retail consumption alcoholic beverage license
- A-4652/S-3065 (Benson/Gordon) Requires Public Health Counsel to promulgate rules and regulations for use of quality control programs in bio-analytical and clinical laboratories
- A-4763/SS for SCS for S-2973 (McKeon, Spencer, Pinkin/Smith, Bateman, Greenstein, Codey) Revises "Electronic Waste Management Act"
- A-4772/S-3169 (Burzichelli/Weinberg) Permits counties to impose one-percent hotel tax
- A-4773/S-3146 (Eustace, Garcia, Gusciora/Lesniak) Prohibits possession and transport of parts and products of certain animals at PANYNJ airports and port facilities
- A-4918/S-3301 (Gusciora, S. Kean/Sweeney, Singer) Clarifies stadiums and arenas owned by local government entities are exempt from property taxation
- A-4931/S-3325 (Mazzeo/Sweeney) Revises "Casino Property Tax Stabilization Act"

- NO ACTION TAKEN ON BILLS:
- A-3981wGR/S-2572 (Mazzeo, Burzichelli, Andrzejczak/Sweeney, Whelan) "Casino Property Taxation Stabilization Act"
- · A-3984wGR/S-2575 (Mazzeo, Burzichelli, Giblin/Sweeney, Whelan) Reallocates casino investment alternative tax to Atlantic City to pay debt service on municipal bonds issued
- · A-3985wGR/S-2576 (Mazzeo, Burzichelli, Andrzejczak, Giblin/Sweeney, Whelan) Removes provisions of law relating to Atlantic City Alliance

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