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P.L.2015, CHAPTER 283, *approved January 19, 2016*  
Assembly, No. 3225 (*First Reprint*)

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2 c.322 and amending and supplementing P.L.1989, c.153.

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16 Physician" means a person trained and qualified in the discipline of  
17 chiropractic whose license is in force and not suspended or revoked  
18 at the time in question.

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36 nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or  
37 procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

38 d. "Licensed chiropractic assistant" means a person who is  
39 licensed pursuant to the provisions of sections 5 through 8 of P.L. ,

**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:

<sup>1</sup>Senate SBA committee amendments adopted May 14, 2015.

1 c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill) to practice  
 2 chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a chiropractor.

3 e. "Supervision" means the oversight provided by a licensed  
 4 chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed  
 5 chiropractic assistant, and for which the chiropractor shall be on the  
 6 premises at all times and readily available to instruct the licensed  
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9 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.3)

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15 The executive secretary shall serve at its pleasure;

16 b. Review the qualifications of applicants for licensure;

17 c. Insure the proper conduct and standards of examinations;

18 d. Issue and renew **【annual】** licenses for chiropractors pursuant  
 19 to this act, **【sections 19, 20 and 24 of P.L.1939, c.115 (C.45:9-14.5,**  
 20 **C.45:9-14.6 and C.45:9-14.10) and】** R.S.45:9-14.5, R.S.45:9-14.6  
 21 and R.S.45:9-14.10, P.L.1953, c.233 (C.45:9-41.5 et al.) , and  
 22 chiropractic assistants pursuant to sections 5 through 8 of P.L. ,  
 23 c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill);

24 e. Refuse to admit a person to an examination, or refuse to  
 25 issue a license, or suspend, revoke or fail to renew the license of a  
 26 chiropractor or chiropractic assistant pursuant to the provisions of  
 27 P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-14 et seq.);

28 f. Maintain a record of chiropractors and chiropractic assistants  
 29 licensed in this State, their places of business, places of residence  
 30 and the date and number of their licenses;

31 g. Prescribe or change the charges for examinations, licensures,  
 32 renewals and other services it performs pursuant to P.L.1974, c.46  
 33 (C.45:1-3.1 et seq.) and sections 5 through 8 of P.L. , c.  
 34 (C.)(pending before the Legislature as this bill);

35 h. Establish standards pursuant to which a chiropractor shall  
 36 maintain medical malpractice liability insurance coverage, at  
 37 appropriate amounts, as set forth in regulations;

38 i. Adopt and promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to the  
 39 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et  
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 41 **20 and 24 of P.L.1939, c.115 (C.45:9-14.5, C.45:9-14.6 and C.45:9-**  
 42 **14.10)】** R.S.45:9-14.5, R.S.45:9-14.6 and R.S.45:9-14.10, and  
 43 sections 5 through 8 of P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the  
 44 Legislature as this bill), and P.L.1953, c.233 (C.45:9-41.5 et al.).

45 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.10)

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47 3. Section 6 of P.L.2009, c.322 (C.45:9-41.29) is amended to  
 48 read as follows:

49 6. a. The board:

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2 chiropractic assistant education, including, but not limited to, the  
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4 chiropractic schools, colleges, institutions and universities or tested  
5 on for licensure;

6 (2) May accredit educational programs offering credit towards  
7 the continuing chiropractic and chiropractic assistant education  
8 requirements;

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10 limited to educational programs offered by professional  
11 organizations or societies, health care professions, schools,  
12 colleges, institutions, universities or healthcare facilities;

13 (4) May allow satisfactory completion of continuing  
14 chiropractic and chiropractic assistant education requirements  
15 through equivalent education programs such as examinations,  
16 papers, publications, scientific presentations, teaching and research  
17 appointments, scientific exhibits and independent study or Internet  
18 courses such as distance learning, including, but not limited to,  
19 video and audio tapes or Internet education programs; and

20 (5) Shall establish procedures for the issuance of credit upon  
21 satisfactory proof of the completion of these programs.

22 b. Each 50 minutes of instruction in a board approved  
23 education course or program shall be equivalent to one credit.

24 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.6)

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26 4. Section 8 of P.L.2009, c.322 (C.45:9-41.31) is amended to  
27 read as follows:

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30 individual basis for reasons of hardship, such as illness or disability,  
31 retirement of the license, or other good cause.

32 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.8)

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34 5. (New section) a. No person shall practice as a chiropractic  
35 assistant unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a  
36 chiropractic assistant in this State pursuant to sections 5 through 8  
37 of P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill),  
38 except any student enrolled in an educational program recognized  
39 by the board that leads to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic  
40 assistant shall be permitted to provide clinical services under the  
41 supervision of a chiropractor to gain the necessary practical clinical  
42 experience. <sup>1</sup>A licensed chiropractic assistant shall be considered a  
43 licensed healthcare professional and the chiropractic assistance  
44 services delegated to the assistant by a supervising chiropractor  
45 shall be considered performed incident to the license of the  
46 supervising chiropractor.<sup>1</sup>

47 b. No person, business entity or its employees, agents, or  
48 representatives shall use the title “chiropractic assistant” or any  
49 other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia  
50 indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to

1 practice chiropractic assistance under the provisions of P.L. ,  
2 c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill).

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4 6. (New section) To qualify for licensure as a chiropractic  
5 assistant by the board, an applicant shall:

6 a. Be at least 18 years of age;

7 b. Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high  
8 school equivalency;

9 c. Be of good moral character;

10 d. Have completed an application in a manner and form  
11 prescribed by the board and paid all applicable fees required by the  
12 board;

13 e. Have completed an education program suitable for licensed  
14 chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;

15 f. Have passed a competency examination approved by the  
16 board; and

17 g. Have completed practical clinical training, as determined by  
18 the board.

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20 7. (New section) The board shall issue a license to any  
21 applicant who, in the opinion of the board, has satisfactorily met all  
22 the requirements of sections 5 through 8 of P.L. , c. (C. )  
23 (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

24 All licenses shall be issued for a two-year period upon the  
25 payment of the licensure fee prescribed by the board, and shall be  
26 renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a  
27 licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the  
28 renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 credit hours of  
29 continuing education, to be completed during each biennial period.

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31 8. (New section) The board shall issue a license to any  
32 applicant who has:

33 a. complied with subsections a. through d. of section 6 of  
34 P.L., c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill);

35 b. a current chiropractic assistant license, registration,  
36 certification, or equivalent, in good standing, in another state whose  
37 requirements are substantially similar to or greater than the  
38 requirements under sections 5 through 8 of P.L. , c. (C. )(pending  
39 before the Legislature as this bill), as determined by the board; and

40 c. presented documentation to the board that the license in  
41 another jurisdiction has not been suspended, revoked, or otherwise  
42 restricted for any reason except non-renewal.

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44 9. This act shall take effect on the 180th day next following the  
45 date of enactment; but the board may take such anticipatory  
46 administrative action in advance thereof as shall be necessary for  
47 the implementation of this act.

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# ASSEMBLY, No. 3225

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 216th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 22, 2014

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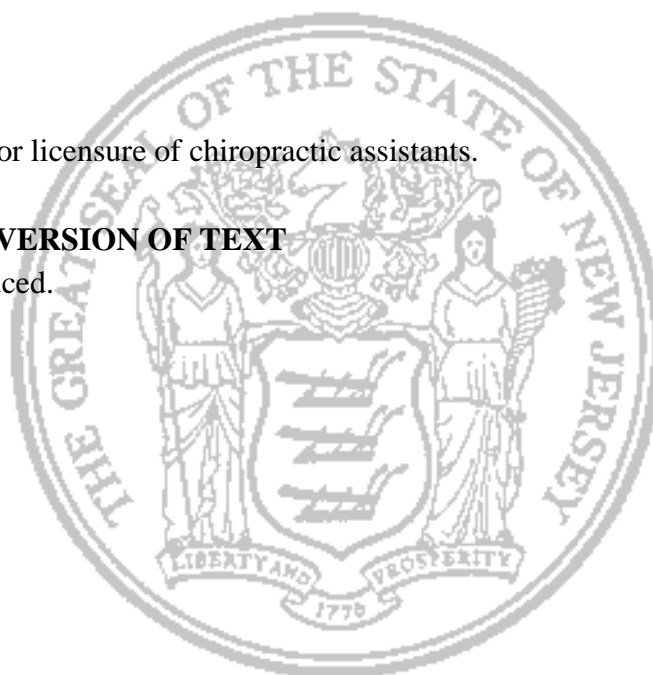
**Assemblyman Wilson, Assemblywoman Riley, Assemblymen Diegnan,  
Wimberly and Assemblywoman Pinkin**

**SYNOPSIS**

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**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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24 - Issuing and renewing biennial licenses for chiropractic  
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26 - Maintaining a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in  
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29 - Prescribing the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals,  
30 and other services it performs;

31 -Establishing standards and accrediting educational programs  
32 with respect to continuing education requirements; and

33 -Adopting and promulgating rules and regulations necessary to  
34 effectuate the purposes of the act.

35 The bill prohibits any person from:

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37 a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State,  
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40 assistant; and

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44 chiropractic assistance.

45 The bill requires that, to qualify, an applicant for licensure as a  
46 chiropractic assistant must:

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- 1       (2) Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high
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  - 3       (3) Be of good moral character;
  - 4       (4) Complete an application in a manner and form prescribed by
  - 5 the board and paid all applicable fees required by the board;
  - 6       (5) Complete an education program suitable for licensed
  - 7 chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;
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  - 10 board.
- 11       The bill stipulates that a license shall be issued for a two-year
- 12 period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and
- 13 shall be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment
- 14 of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the
- 15 renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of
- 16 continuing education each two-year period.
- 17       The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants
- 18 who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state,
- 19 which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State,
- 20 as determined by the board.

# ASSEMBLY REGULATED PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### ASSEMBLY, No. 3225

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 5, 2014

The Assembly Regulated Professions Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3225.

This bill provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

The bill defines “chiropractic assistance” to mean assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including:

- (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement;
- (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and
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The bill further specifies that chiropractic assistance shall not include administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

Under the bill, “supervision” means the oversight provided by a chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed chiropractic assistant. The chiropractor must be on the premises at all times and readily available to instruct the licensed chiropractic assistant throughout the performance of the clinical services.

The board is charged with:

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- Insuring the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- Issuing and renewing biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
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- Prescribing the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- Establishing standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and

- Adopting and promulgating rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the act.

The bill prohibits any person from:

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The bill requires that, to qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

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(7) Complete practical clinical training, as determined by the board.

The bill stipulates that a license shall be issued for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and shall be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education each two-year period.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state, which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 3225**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**216th LEGISLATURE**

DATED: JUNE 27, 2014

**SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Provides for licensure of chiropractic assistants.

**Type of Impact:** Fees paid by licenses would defray licensure and program costs.

**Agencies Affected:** Department of Law and Public Safety; Division of Consumer Affairs.

**Office of Legislative Services Estimate**

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	<u><b>Year 1</b></u>	<u><b>Year 2</b></u>	<u><b>Year 3</b></u>
<b>State Cost</b>	Revenues collected through licensure fees would		
<b>State Revenue</b>	defray licensure and program costs.		

- Establishes a license as a chiropractic assistant, to be administered by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and prohibits any person from practicing as a chiropractic assistant unless licensed to do so in the State.
- Professional chiropractic assistant licenses are to be issued for a two-year period upon payment of a prescribed licensure fee, and renewed upon filing of a renewal application, payment of the licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education each two-year period.

**BILL DESCRIPTION**

Assembly Bill No. 3225 of 2014 provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

The bill prohibits any person from practicing as a chiropractic assistant unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State, but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational program leading to a diploma or certification as a



chiropractic assistant. The bill also prohibits the use of the title “chiropractic assistant” or any other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance by a person who is not licensed to practice chiropractic assistance.

A license would be issued to a qualified applicant for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education during each two-year period.

To qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

- be at least 18 years of age;
- have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency;
- be of good moral character;
- complete an application and pay all applicable fees;
- complete an education program for licensed chiropractic assistants;
- pass a competency examination; and
- complete practical clinical training.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

In addition to its existing statutory and regulatory responsibilities, the bill requires the board to:

- review the qualifications of applicants for licensure as a chiropractic assistant;
- insure the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- issue and renew biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- maintain a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their places of business, places of residence, and the date and number of their licenses;
- prescribe the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- establish standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and
- adopt and promulgate rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the bill.

Under the bill, “chiropractic assistance” is defined as assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including: (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement; (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities. The bill specifies that chiropractic assistance excludes administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### ***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

**OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

The Office of Legislative Services notes that the chiropractic assistant licensing program is intended to be self-supporting; however, the amounts needed to administer the program in year one and two may require an advance loan from the General Fund prior to licensure revenues being collected to offset any initial costs. The administrative and other recurring program costs would be supported by the charge for examination of licensure, as prescribed by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners under N.J.S.A.45:1-3.2.

Currently, the State does not keep records concerning chiropractic assistants in New Jersey. According to the board, in 2014 there are 3,202 active licensed chiropractors in New Jersey. The Association of New Jersey Chiropractors has over 2,000 licensed chiropractic members in New Jersey, and informally indicates that a reasonable estimate for the number of chiropractic assistants in the State would be a number similar to the total number of licensed chiropractors in the State. Under this presumption, there may be approximately 3,200 chiropractic assistants in the New Jersey who would qualify for licensure as a chiropractic assistant under the bill.

The State regulations, at N.J.A.C.13:44E-2.5, set forth the fees to be assessed by the board on chiropractors, including a \$125 application fee; an initial license fee of \$350 during the first year of the biennial renewal period and \$175 during the second year of the biennial renewal period; and a biennial license renewal fee of \$350.

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

# SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### ASSEMBLY, No. 3225

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 8, 2014

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorable Assembly Bill No. 3225.

This bill provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

The bill defines “chiropractic assistance” to mean assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including:

- (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement;
- (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and
- (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities.

The bill further specifies that chiropractic assistance shall not include administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

Under the bill, “supervision” means the oversight provided by a chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed chiropractic assistant. The chiropractor must be on the premises at all times and readily available to instruct the licensed chiropractic assistant throughout the performance of the clinical services.

The board is charged with:

- Reviewing the qualifications of applicants for licensure;
- Insuring the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- Issuing and renewing biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- Maintaining a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their place of business, place of residence, and the date and number of their license;
- Prescribing the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- Establishing standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and

- Adopting and promulgating rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the act.

The bill prohibits any person from:

(1) practicing as a chiropractic assistant, unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State, but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational program leading to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic assistant; and

(2) using the title “chiropractic assistant” or any other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to practice chiropractic assistance.

The bill requires that, to qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

(1) Be at least 18 years of age,

(2) Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency;

(3) Be of good moral character;

(4) Complete an application in a manner and form prescribed by the board and paid all applicable fees required by the board;

(5) Complete an education program suitable for licensed chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;

(6) Pass a competency examination approved by the board; and

(7) Complete practical clinical training, as determined by the board.

The bill stipulates that a license shall be issued for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and shall be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education each two-year period.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state, which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

# SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO ASSEMBLY, No. 3225

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 12, 2015

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3225, with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

The bill defines “chiropractic assistance” to mean assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including:

- (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement;
- (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and
- (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities.

The bill further specifies that chiropractic assistance shall not include administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

Under the bill, “supervision” means the oversight provided by a chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed chiropractic assistant. The chiropractor must be on the premises at all times and readily available to instruct the licensed chiropractic assistant throughout the performance of the clinical services.

The board is charged with:

- Reviewing the qualifications of applicants for licensure;
- Insuring the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- Issuing and renewing biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- Maintaining a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their place of business, place of residence, and the date and number of their license;

- Prescribing the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- Establishing standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and
- Adopting and promulgating rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the act.

The bill prohibits any person from:

- (1) practicing as a chiropractic assistant, unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State, but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational program leading to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic assistant; and
- (2) using the title “chiropractic assistant” or any other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to practice chiropractic assistance.

The bill provides that a licensed chiropractic assistant shall be considered a licensed healthcare professional and the chiropractic assistance services delegated to the assistant by a supervising chiropractor shall be considered performed incident to the license of the supervising chiropractor.

The bill requires that, to qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

- (1) Be at least 18 years of age,
- (2) Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency;
- (3) Be of good moral character;
- (4) Complete an application in a manner and form prescribed by the board and paid all applicable fees required by the board;
- (5) Complete an education program suitable for licensed chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;
- (6) Pass a competency examination approved by the board; and
- (7) Complete practical clinical training, as determined by the board.

The bill stipulates that a license shall be issued for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and shall be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education each two-year period.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state, which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

As amended and reported, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2333, as also amended and reported by the committee.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments provide that a licensed chiropractic assistant shall be considered a licensed healthcare professional and the chiropractic assistance services delegated to the assistant by a supervising chiropractor shall be considered performed incident to the license of the supervising chiropractor.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services notes that the chiropractic assistant licensing program is intended to be self-supporting; however, the amounts needed to administer the program in year one and two may require General Fund support prior to licensure revenues being collected to offset any initial costs. The administrative and other recurring program costs would be supported by the charge for examination of licensure, as prescribed by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

# LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

## ASSEMBLY, No. 3225

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY 216th LEGISLATURE

DATED: MAY 20, 2015

#### SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Provides for licensure of chiropractic assistants.
- Type of Impact:** Fees paid by licensees would defray licensure and program costs.
- Agencies Affected:** Department of Law and Public Safety; Division of Consumer Affairs; State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

#### Office of Legislative Services Estimate

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	<b><u>Year 1</u></b>	<b><u>Year 2</u></b>	<b><u>Year 3</u></b>
<b>State Cost</b>	Revenues collected through licensure fees would		
<b>State Revenue</b>	offset licensure and program costs.		

- The Office of Legislative Services notes that the chiropractic assistant licensing program is intended to be self-supporting from licensure revenues which will offset administrative expenditures; however, the amounts needed to administer the initial costs of the program may require financial support prior to the collection of licensure revenues.
- Establishes a license as a chiropractic assistant, to be administered by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and prohibits any person from practicing as a chiropractic assistant unless licensed to do so in the State.
- Professional chiropractic assistant licenses are to be issued for a two-year period upon payment of a prescribed licensure fee, and renewed upon filing of a renewal application, payment of the licensure fee, and completion of 15 hours of continuing education.

#### BILL DESCRIPTION

Assembly Bill No. 3225 (1R) of 2014 provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person



who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

“Chiropractic assistance” is defined to mean assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including: (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement; (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities. The bill specifies that chiropractic assistance excludes administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

In addition to its existing statutory and regulatory responsibilities, the bill requires the board to:

- review the qualifications of applicants for licensure as a chiropractic assistant;
- insure the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- issue and renew biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- maintain a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their places of business, places of residence, and the date and number of their licenses;
- prescribe the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- establish standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and
- adopt and promulgate rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the bill.

The bill prohibits any person from: (1) practicing as a chiropractic assistant, unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State, but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational program leading to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic assistant; and (2) using the title “chiropractic assistant” or any other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to practice chiropractic assistance. The bill provides that a licensed chiropractic assistant would be considered a licensed healthcare professional and the chiropractic assistance services delegated to the assistant by a supervising chiropractor would be considered performed incident to the license of the supervising chiropractor.

A license would be issued to a qualified applicant for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education during each two-year period.

To qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

- be at least 18 years of age;
- have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency;
- be of good moral character;
- complete an application and pay all applicable fees;
- complete an education program for licensed chiropractic assistants;
- pass a competency examination; and
- complete practical clinical training.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### ***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

### ***OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES***

The Office of Legislative Services notes that the chiropractic assistant licensing program is intended to be self-supporting. The administrative and other recurring program costs would be supported by the charge for examination of licensure, as prescribed by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners under N.J.S.A.45:1-3.2.

Currently, the State does not keep records concerning chiropractic assistants in New Jersey. According to the board, in 2014 there are 3,202 active licensed chiropractors in New Jersey. The Association of New Jersey Chiropractors has over 2,000 licensed chiropractic members in New Jersey, and informally indicates that a reasonable estimate for the number of chiropractic assistants in the State would be a number similar to the total number of licensed chiropractors in the State. Under this presumption, there may be approximately 3,200 chiropractic assistants in the New Jersey who would qualify for licensure as a chiropractic assistant under the bill.

The State regulations, at N.J.A.C.13:44E-2.5, set forth the fees to be assessed by the board on chiropractors, including a \$125 application fee; an initial license fee of \$350 during the first year of the biennial renewal period and \$175 during the second year of the biennial renewal period; and a biennial license renewal fee of \$350.

*Section: Law and Public Safety*  
*Analyst: Amy Denholtz*  
*Senior Research Analyst*  
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This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

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

**SENATE, No. 2333**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**216th LEGISLATURE**

INTRODUCED AUGUST 11, 2014

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator STEPHEN M. SWEENEY**

**District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Provides for licensure of chiropractic assistants.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning chiropractic assistants, amending P.L.2009,  
2 c.322 and amending and supplementing P.L.1989, c.153.

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

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7 1. Section 3 of P.L.1989, c.153 (C.45:9-41.19) is amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 3. As used in P.L.1989, c.153 (C.45:9-41.17 et al.), sections 5  
10 through 8 of P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as  
11 this bill) and sections 7 through 14 and sections 19 and 20 of  
12 P.L.1953, c.233 (C.45:9-41.4 through C.45:9-41.13 inclusive):

13 a. "Board" means the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners  
14 created pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1989, c.153 (C.45:9-41.20).

15 b. "Doctor of Chiropractic," "Chiropractor" or "Chiropractic  
16 Physician" means a person trained and qualified in the discipline of  
17 chiropractic whose license is in force and not suspended or revoked  
18 at the time in question.

19 A person licensed to practice chiropractic may use the title  
20 doctor, or its abbreviation, in the practice of chiropractic, however,  
21 it must be qualified by the words doctor of chiropractic,  
22 chiropractor or chiropractic physician, or its abbreviation, D.C. The  
23 use of the title doctor of chiropractic, chiropractor, chiropractic  
24 physician, or its abbreviation, D.C., may be used interchangeably.

25 c. "Chiropractic assistance" means assisting a chiropractor  
26 with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary  
27 to the chiropractic setting including:

28 (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral  
29 history or vital sign measurement;

30 (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical  
31 modalities and hydrotherapy; and

32 (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities.

33 Chiropractic assistance shall not include administrative activities  
34 of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy,  
35 nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or  
36 procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

37 d. "Licensed chiropractic assistant" means a person who is  
38 licensed pursuant to the provisions of sections 5 through 8 of  
39 P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill) to  
40 practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a  
41 chiropractor.

42 e. "Supervision" means the oversight provided by a licensed  
43 chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed  
44 chiropractic assistant, and for which the chiropractor shall be on the  
45 premises at all times and readily available to instruct the licensed

**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.

1 chiropractic assistant throughout the performance of the clinical  
2 services.

3 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.3)

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5 2. Section 7 of P.L.1989, c.153 (C.45:9-41.23) is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 7. The board shall:

8 a. Appoint and prescribe the duties of an executive secretary.  
9 The executive secretary shall serve at its pleasure;

10 b. Review the qualifications of applicants for licensure;

11 c. Insure the proper conduct and standards of examinations;

12 d. Issue and renew **【annual】** licenses for chiropractors pursuant  
13 to this act, **【sections 19, 20 and 24 of P.L.1939, c.115 (C.45:9-14.5,**  
14 **C.45:9-14.6 and C.45:9-14.10) and】** R.S.45:9-14.5, R.S.45:9-14.6  
15 and R.S.45:9-14.10, P.L.1953, c.233 (C.45:9-41.5 et al.), and  
16 chiropractic assistants pursuant to sections 5 through 8 of P.L. ,  
17 c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill);

18 e. Refuse to admit a person to an examination, or refuse to  
19 issue a license, or suspend, revoke or fail to renew the license of a  
20 chiropractor or chiropractic assistant pursuant to the provisions of  
21 P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-14 et seq.);

22 f. Maintain a record of chiropractors and chiropractic assistants  
23 licensed in this State, their places of business, places of residence  
24 and the date and number of their licenses;

25 g. Prescribe or change the charges for examinations, licensures,  
26 renewals and other services it performs pursuant to P.L.1974, c.46  
27 (C.45:1-3.1 et seq.) and sections 5 through 8 of P.L. ,  
28 c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill);

29 h. Establish standards pursuant to which a chiropractor shall  
30 maintain medical malpractice liability insurance coverage, at  
31 appropriate amounts, as set forth in regulations;

32 i. Adopt and promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to the  
33 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et  
34 seq.) necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act, **【sections 19,**  
35 **20 and 24 of P.L.1939, c.115 (C.45:9-14.5, C.45:9-14.6 and C.45:9-**  
36 **14.10)】** R.S.45:9-14.5, R.S.45:9-14.6 and R.S.45:9-14.10, and  
37 sections 5 through 8 of P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the  
38 Legislature as this bill), and P.L.1953, c.233 (C.45:9-41.5 et al.).

39 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.10)

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41 3. Section 6 of P.L.2009, c.322 (C.45:9-41.29) is amended to  
42 read as follows:

43 6. a. The board:

44 (1) Shall establish standards for continuing chiropractic and  
45 chiropractic assistant education, including, but not limited to, the  
46 subject matter and content of courses of study that are taught by  
47 chiropractic schools, colleges, institutions and universities or tested  
48 on for licensure;

1 (2) May accredit educational programs offering credit towards  
2 the continuing chiropractic and chiropractic assistant education  
3 requirements;

4 (3) May accredit other educational programs, including, but not  
5 limited to educational programs offered by professional  
6 organizations or societies, health care professions, schools,  
7 colleges, institutions, universities or healthcare facilities;

8 (4) May allow satisfactory completion of continuing  
9 chiropractic and chiropractic assistant education requirements  
10 through equivalent education programs such as examinations,  
11 papers, publications, scientific presentations, teaching and research  
12 appointments, scientific exhibits and independent study or Internet  
13 courses such as distance learning, including, but not limited to,  
14 video and audio tapes or Internet education programs; and

15 (5) Shall establish procedures for the issuance of credit upon  
16 satisfactory proof of the completion of these programs.

17 b. Each 50 minutes of instruction in a board approved  
18 education course or program shall be equivalent to one credit.

19 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.6)

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21 4. Section 8 of P.L.2009, c.322 (C.45:9-41.31) is amended to  
22 read as follows:

23 8. The board may, in its discretion, waive requirements for  
24 continuing chiropractic and chiropractic assistant education on an  
25 individual basis for reasons of hardship, such as illness or disability,  
26 retirement of the license, or other good cause.

27 (cf: P.L.2009, c.322, s.8)

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29 5. (New section) a. No person shall practice as a chiropractic  
30 assistant unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a  
31 chiropractic assistant in this State pursuant to sections 5 through 8  
32 of P.L. , c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill),  
33 except any student enrolled in an educational program recognized  
34 by the board that leads to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic  
35 assistant shall be permitted to provide clinical services under the  
36 supervision of a chiropractor to gain the necessary practical clinical  
37 experience.

38 b. No person, business entity or its employees, agents, or  
39 representatives shall use the title “chiropractic assistant” or any  
40 other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia  
41 indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to  
42 practice chiropractic assistance under the provisions of P.L. ,  
43 c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill).

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45 6. (New section) To qualify for licensure as a chiropractic  
46 assistant by the board, an applicant shall:

47 a. Be at least 18 years of age;

- 1     b. Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high
- 2     school equivalency;
- 3     c. Be of good moral character;
- 4     d. Have completed an application in a manner and form
- 5     prescribed by the board and paid all applicable fees required by the
- 6     board;
- 7     e. Have completed an education program suitable for licensed
- 8     chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;
- 9     f. Have passed a competency examination approved by the
- 10    board; and
- 11    g. Have completed practical clinical training, as determined by
- 12    the board.

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14     7. (New section) The board shall issue a license to any

15     applicant who, in the opinion of the board, has satisfactorily met all

16     the requirements of sections 5 through 8 of P.L.     , c.     (C.     )

17     (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

18     All licenses shall be issued for a two-year period upon the

19     payment of the licensure fee prescribed by the board, and shall be

20     renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a

21     licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the

22     renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 credit hours of

23     continuing education, to be completed during each biennial period.

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25     8. (New section) The board shall issue a license to any

26     applicant who has:

27     a. complied with subsections a. through d. of section 6 of

28     P.L.     , c.     (C.     ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill);

29     b. a current chiropractic assistant license, registration,

30     certification, or equivalent, in good standing, in another state whose

31     requirements are substantially similar to or greater than the

32     requirements under sections 5 through 8 of P.L.     , c.     (C.     )

33     (pending before the Legislature as this bill), as determined by the

34     board; and

35     c. presented documentation to the board that the license in

36     another jurisdiction has not been suspended, revoked, or otherwise

37     restricted for any reason except non-renewal.

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39     9. This act shall take effect on the 180th day next following the

40     date of enactment; but the board may take such anticipatory

41     administrative action in advance thereof as shall be necessary for

42     the implementation of this act.

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**STATEMENT**

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47     This bill provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by

48     the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A

1 chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to  
2 practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed  
3 chiropractor.

4 The bill defines “chiropractic assistance” to mean assisting a  
5 chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and  
6 customary to the chiropractic setting including:

7 (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral  
8 history or vital sign measurement;

9 (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical  
10 modalities and hydrotherapy; and

11 (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities.

12 The bill further specifies that chiropractic assistance shall not  
13 include administrative activities of a non-clinical nature,  
14 chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction,  
15 counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires  
16 individual licensure in the State.

17 Under the bill, “supervision” means the oversight provided by a  
18 chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed  
19 chiropractic assistant. The chiropractor must be on the premises at  
20 all times and readily available to instruct the licensed chiropractic  
21 assistant throughout the performance of the clinical services.

22 The board is charged with:

23 - Reviewing the qualifications of applicants for licensure;  
24 - Insuring the proper conduct and standards of examinations;  
25 - Issuing and renewing biennial licenses for chiropractic  
26 assistants;

27 - Maintaining a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in  
28 this State, their place of business, place of residence, and the date  
29 and number of their license;

30 -Prescribing the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals,  
31 and other services it performs;

32 -Establishing standards and accrediting educational programs  
33 with respect to continuing education requirements; and

34 -Adopting and promulgating rules and regulations necessary to  
35 effectuate the purposes of the act.

36 The bill prohibits any person from:

37 (1) practicing as a chiropractic assistant, unless the person holds  
38 a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State,  
39 but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational  
40 program leading to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic  
41 assistant; and

42 (2) using the title “chiropractic assistant” or any other title,  
43 designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the  
44 practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to practice  
45 chiropractic assistance.

46 The bill requires that, to qualify, an applicant for licensure as a  
47 chiropractic assistant must:

48 (1) Be at least 18 years of age,



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- 1       (2) Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high  
2 school equivalency;
  - 3       (3) Be of good moral character;
  - 4       (4) Complete an application in a manner and form prescribed by  
5 the board and paid all applicable fees required by the board;
  - 6       (5) Complete an education program suitable for licensed  
7 chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;
  - 8       (6) Pass a competency examination approved by the board; and
  - 9       (7) Complete practical clinical training, as determined by the  
10 board.
- 11       The bill stipulates that a license shall be issued for a two-year  
12 period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and  
13 shall be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment  
14 of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the  
15 renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of  
16 continuing education each two-year period.
- 17       The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants  
18 who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state,  
19 which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State,  
20 as determined by the board.

# SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 2333

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 8, 2014

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2333.

This bill provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

The bill defines “chiropractic assistance” to mean assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including:

- (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement;
- (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and
- (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities.

The bill further specifies that chiropractic assistance shall not include administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

Under the bill, “supervision” means the oversight provided by a chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed chiropractic assistant. The chiropractor must be on the premises at all times and readily available to instruct the licensed chiropractic assistant throughout the performance of the clinical services.

The board is charged with:

- Reviewing the qualifications of applicants for licensure;
- Insuring the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- Issuing and renewing biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- Maintaining a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their place of business, place of residence, and the date and number of their license;
- Prescribing the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- Establishing standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and

- Adopting and promulgating rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the act.

The bill prohibits any person from:

(1) practicing as a chiropractic assistant, unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State, but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational program leading to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic assistant; and

(2) using the title “chiropractic assistant” or any other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to practice chiropractic assistance.

The bill requires that, to qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

(1) Be at least 18 years of age,

(2) Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency;

(3) Be of good moral character;

(4) Complete an application in a manner and form prescribed by the board and paid all applicable fees required by the board;

(5) Complete an education program suitable for licensed chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;

(6) Pass a competency examination approved by the board; and

(7) Complete practical clinical training, as determined by the board.

The bill stipulates that a license shall be issued for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and shall be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education each two-year period.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state, which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
**SENATE, No. 2333**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**216th LEGISLATURE**

DATED: JANUARY 22, 2015

**SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Provides for licensure of chiropractic assistants.

**Type of Impact:** Fees paid by licenses would defray licensure and program costs.

**Agencies Affected:** Department of Law and Public Safety; Division of Consumer Affairs.

**Office of Legislative Services Estimate**

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	<u><b>Year 1</b></u>	<u><b>Year 2</b></u>	<u><b>Year 3</b></u>
<b>State Cost</b>	Revenues collected through licensure fees would		
<b>State Revenue</b>	defray licensure and program costs.		

- Establishes a license as a chiropractic assistant, to be administered by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and prohibits any person from practicing as a chiropractic assistant unless licensed to do so in the State.
- Professional chiropractic assistant licenses are to be issued for a two-year period upon payment of a prescribed licensure fee, and renewed upon filing of a renewal application, payment of the licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education each two-year period.

**BILL DESCRIPTION**

Senate Bill No. 2333 of 2014 provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

The bill prohibits any person from practicing as a chiropractic assistant unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State, but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational program leading to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic assistant. The bill also prohibits the use of the title “chiropractic assistant” or any

other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance by a person who is not licensed to practice chiropractic assistance. A license would be issued to a qualified applicant for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education during each two-year period.

To qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

- be at least 18 years of age;
- have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency;
- be of good moral character;
- complete an application and pay all applicable fees;
- complete an education program for licensed chiropractic assistants;
- pass a competency examination; and
- complete practical clinical training.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

In addition to its existing statutory and regulatory responsibilities, the bill requires the board to:

- review the qualifications of applicants for licensure as a chiropractic assistant;
- insure the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- issue and renew biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- maintain a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their places of business, places of residence, and the date and number of their licenses;
- prescribe the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- establish standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and
- adopt and promulgate rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the bill.

Under the bill, “chiropractic assistance” is defined as assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including: (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement; (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities. The bill specifies that chiropractic assistance excludes administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### ***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

**OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES**

The Office of Legislative Services notes that the chiropractic assistant licensing program is intended to be self-supporting; however, the amounts needed to administer the program in year one and two may require an advance loan from the General Fund prior to licensure revenues being collected to offset any initial costs. The administrative and other recurring program costs would be supported by the charge for examination of licensure, as prescribed by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners under N.J.S.A.45:1-3.2.

Currently, the State does not keep records concerning chiropractic assistants in New Jersey. According to the board, in 2014 there are 3,202 active licensed chiropractors in New Jersey. The Association of New Jersey Chiropractors has over 2,000 licensed chiropractic members in New Jersey, and informally indicates that a reasonable estimate for the number of chiropractic assistants in the State would be a number similar to the total number of licensed chiropractors in the State. Under this presumption, there may be approximately 3,200 chiropractic assistants in the New Jersey who would qualify for licensure as a chiropractic assistant under the bill.

The State regulations, at N.J.A.C.13:44E-2.5, set forth the fees to be assessed by the board on chiropractors, including a \$125 application fee; an initial license fee of \$350 during the first year of the biennial renewal period and \$175 during the second year of the biennial renewal period; and a biennial license renewal fee of \$350.

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

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

# SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### **SENATE, No. 2333**

with committee amendments

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MAY 12, 2015

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2333, with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “board”). A chiropractic assistant is a person who is licensed under the bill to practice chiropractic assistance under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor.

The bill defines “chiropractic assistance” to mean assisting a chiropractor with providing certain clinical procedures common and customary to the chiropractic setting including:

- (1) collecting general health data, such as the taking of an oral history or vital sign measurement;
- (2) applying thermal, sound, light, mechanical and electrical modalities and hydrotherapy; and
- (3) instructing and monitoring prescribed rehabilitative activities.

The bill further specifies that chiropractic assistance shall not include administrative activities of a non-clinical nature, chiropractic adjustment, manual therapy, nutritional instruction, counseling or other therapeutic service or procedure which requires individual licensure in the State.

Under the bill, “supervision” means the oversight provided by a chiropractor of the clinical services performed by a licensed chiropractic assistant. The chiropractor must be on the premises at all times and readily available to instruct the licensed chiropractic assistant throughout the performance of the clinical services.

The board is charged with:

- Reviewing the qualifications of applicants for licensure;
- Insuring the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- Issuing and renewing biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- Maintaining a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their place of business, place of residence, and the date and number of their license;

- Prescribing the charges for examinations, licenses, renewals, and other services it performs;
- Establishing standards and accrediting educational programs with respect to continuing education requirements; and
- Adopting and promulgating rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of the act.

The bill prohibits any person from:

- (1) practicing as a chiropractic assistant, unless the person holds a valid license to practice as a chiropractic assistant in this State, but makes an exception for students enrolled in an educational program leading to a diploma or certification as a chiropractic assistant; and
- (2) using the title “chiropractic assistant” or any other title, designation, words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating the practice of chiropractic assistance unless licensed to practice chiropractic assistance.

The bill provides that a licensed chiropractic assistant shall be considered a licensed healthcare professional and the chiropractic assistance services delegated to the assistant by a supervising chiropractor shall be considered performed incident to the license of the supervising chiropractor.

The bill requires that, to qualify, an applicant for licensure as a chiropractic assistant must:

- (1) Be at least 18 years of age,
- (2) Have received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency;
- (3) Be of good moral character;
- (4) Complete an application in a manner and form prescribed by the board and paid all applicable fees required by the board;
- (5) Complete an education program suitable for licensed chiropractic assistants, as determined by the board;
- (6) Pass a competency examination approved by the board; and
- (7) Complete practical clinical training, as determined by the board.

The bill stipulates that a license shall be issued for a two-year period upon the payment of the fee prescribed by the board, and shall be renewed upon filing of a renewal application, the payment of a licensure fee, and presentation of satisfactory evidence that the renewal applicant has successfully completed 15 hours of continuing education each two-year period.

The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state, which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

As amended and reported, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 3225, as also amended and reported by the committee.



COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments provide that a licensed chiropractic assistant shall be considered a licensed healthcare professional and the chiropractic assistance services delegated to the assistant by a supervising chiropractor shall be considered performed incident to the license of the supervising chiropractor.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services notes that the chiropractic assistant licensing program is intended to be self-supporting; however, the amounts needed to administer the program in year one and two may require General Fund support prior to licensure revenues being collected to offset any initial costs. The administrative and other recurring program costs would be supported by the charge for examination of licensure, as prescribed by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

# LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

## SENATE, No. 2333

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY 216th LEGISLATURE

DATED: MAY 18, 2015

#### SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Provides for licensure of chiropractic assistants.
- Type of Impact:** Fees paid by licensees would defray licensure and program costs.
- Agencies Affected:** Department of Law and Public Safety; Division of Consumer Affairs; State Board Chiropractic Examiners

#### Office of Legislative Services Estimate

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	<b><u>Year 1</u></b>	<b><u>Year 2</u></b>	<b><u>Year 3</u></b>
<b>State Cost</b>	Revenues collected through licensure fees would		
<b>State Revenue</b>	offset licensure and program costs.		

- The Office of Legislative Services notes that the chiropractic assistant licensing program is intended to be self-supporting from licensure revenues which will offset administrative expenditures; however, the amounts needed to administer the initial costs of the program may require financial support prior to the collection of licensure revenues.
- Establishes a license as a chiropractic assistant, to be administered by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and prohibits any person from practicing as a chiropractic assistant unless licensed to do so in the State.
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#### BILL DESCRIPTION

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In addition to its existing statutory and regulatory responsibilities, the bill requires the board to:

- review the qualifications of applicants for licensure as a chiropractic assistant;
- insure the proper conduct and standards of examinations;
- issue and renew biennial licenses for chiropractic assistants;
- maintain a record of every chiropractic assistant licensed in this State, their places of business, places of residence, and the date and number of their licenses;
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The bill also provides for the licensure of chiropractic assistants who have been licensed, registered, or certified in another state which has standards substantially equivalent to those of this State, as determined by the board.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### ***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

### ***OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES***

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

Tuesday, January 19, 2016      Tags: [Weather](#)



**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 deferral 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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- **AJR-117/SJR-85 (Tucker, Holley, Vainieri Huttie/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 Huttie, 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, Rodriguez-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 Huttie, 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 anaphylaxis
- **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, Danielsén, 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 Huttie)** - 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 Huttie, 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 Huttie)** - 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 Huttie, 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 Huttie, 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 Huttie, 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 Huttie, 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, Danielsén)** - 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 Superior 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 Huttie)** - 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, Daniels, 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 Huttie)** - 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 Huttie)** - 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 Huttie, 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 Huttie, 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 Huttie, 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 Huttie)** -

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 two-year 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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