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LEGISLATIVE NOTES ON R.S. 52:27D-43.1 (Women's Division - creates in Dept. of Community Affairs)

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Introduced June 20 by Margetts and others. This bill died in the Assembly Committee. No statement.

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This report recommends this legislation (see page 12).

Pertinent clippings attached. VF. 71.]. - Women

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APPROVED 5/12/69 ASSEMBLY, No. 1

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1969 SESSION

By Assemblywoman MARGETTS

An Act establishing and concerning a women's division in the Department of Community Affairs, prescribing its powers and duties, providing for an appropriation therefor, and supplementing the "Department of Community Affairs Act of 1966," approved November 23, 1966 (P. L. 1966, c. 293).

- 1 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1. There is hereby established in the Department of Community
- 2 Affairs a women's division, including a director, who shall have
- 3 immediate supervision of the division, and a New Jersey State
- 4 Commission on Women.
- 1 2. The New Jersey State Commission on Women shall consist
- 2 of 9 citizen members each of whom shall be appointed by the
- 3 Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for 3 years
- 4 and until his successor is appointed and qualified, except that of
- 5 those first appointed 3 each shall be appointed for a term of 3 years,
- 6 3 each for a term of 2 years, and 3 each for a term of 1 year. Each
- 7 vacancy caused by other than expiration of term shall be filled for
- 8 the unexpired term only. Not more than 5 members shall belong
- 9 to the same political party. A chairman and other officers of the
- 10 commission shall be elected from among the members by the mem-
- 11 bers for a term of 2 years.
- 1 3. The members of the commission shall serve without compen-
- 2 sation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for their necessary
- 3 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.
- 4. The director shall be appointed by the Governor, with the
- 2 advice and consent of the Senate for 5 years. The director shall
- 3 be deemed to be a full-time State official and shall be paid such
- 4 compensation as shall be provided by law. The director or a repre-
- 5 sentative designated by him shall attend all meetings of the com-
- 6 mission and its committees but shall have no vote.

- 5. The director, subject to the approval of the Commissioner
- 2 of the Department of Community Affairs and the commission, may
- 3 appoint such professional, technical, and clerical assistants and
- 4 employees as may be necessary to enable the division to perform
- 5 the duties imposed upon it by this act and shall fix their compen-
- 6 sation within the limits of available appropriations and as shall
- 7 be provided by law.
- 1 6. The commission shall meet at regular intervals and at least
- 2 4 times annually. The times and places for the said meetings shall
- 3 be fixed by the commission and special meetings may be called by
- 4 the chairman on not less than 10 days' written notice to each
- 5 member. The commission may adopt by-laws for the regulation
- 6 of its affairs.
- 7. The division under the direction of the commission shall:
- 2 a. Engage in a continuous study of the changing needs and
- 3 problems of women in New Jersey and develop and recommend
- 4 new programs to the Governor and the Legislature;
- 5 b. Serve as a clearing house for information and materials
- 6 pertinent to the various programs and agencies geared to assist
- 7 and advise women;
- 8 c. Co-operate with the various governmental departments and
- 9 agencies primarily involved in curbing job discrimination and in
- 10 the expansion of rights and opportunities available to the women
- 11 of this State;
- d. Conduct periodic conferences throughout the State intended
- 13 to make women more aware of their opportunities and of the pro-
- 14 grams, assistance and other services available to them;
- 15 e. Serve as the central permanent agency for the co-ordination
- 16 and evaluation of programs and services for the women of New
- 17 Jersey and as a planning agency for the development of such
- 18 services;
- 19 f. Request State departments and other public and private
- 20 agencies on a State, county and local level to co-operate in joint
- 21 efforts to study and resolve problems of overlapping concern;
- 22 g. Publish and disseminate information relative to the needs
- 23 and development of women and to develop other educational pro-
- 24 grams as it sees fit;
- 25 h. Consult with, advise, and otherwise provide professional as-
- 26 sistance to organized efforts by communities, organizations, as-
- 27 sociations and groups who are working toward the goal of improve-
- 28 ment of the status of women;
- 29 i. Report annually to the Commissioner of the Department of
- 30 Community Affairs and the Governor on its activities; and

- 31 j. Do all other things necessary and desirable to carry out the
- 32 powers and duties granted under this act.
- 1 8. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Com-
- 2 munity Affairs for the purposes of this act such funds as may be
- 3 included, from time to time, in any appropriation act or otherwise
- 4 made available.
- 9. This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL NOTE TO ASSEMBLY, No. 1

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 3, 1969

Assembly Bill No. 1 would establish a Women's Division in the Department of Community Affairs, prescribing its powers and duties.

The Department of Community Affairs estimates that enactment of this legislation would require a State expenditure of \$22,500.00 for the remainder of the curent fiscal year. The Department further estimates that enactment would necessitate an expenditure of \$49,000.00 for fiscal 1969-70 and the same amount for fiscal 1970-71. In the years beyond, normal operating increases should be anticipated.

In compliance with written request received, there is hereby submitted a fiscal estimate for the above bill, pursuant to P. L. 1962, c. 27.