

45: 15A-4, 7, 8

August 21, 1970

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF R.S. 45:15A-4, 7, 8.  
(Application; fees; shorthand reporter)

Similar bills introduced (1965-1969)

1968-S420 (Sears and Guarini)

L.1969 - Chapt.284 - S262

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Prefiled for introduction by Sears and Guarini

November 24 - Committe substitute passed in Senate

January 13 - Passed in Assembly

January 15 - Aproved, chapter284

Copy enclosed of original bill and committe substitute

Bill had statement (copy enclosed)

No hearing or reports were located

No clippings were located:

V.F.--N.J.--Courts (1969)

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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**SENATE, No. 262**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ADOPTED NOVEMBER 24, 1969

AN ACT to amend "An act to create a State Board of Shorthand Reporting and to regulate the practice of shorthand reporting and to provide for the licensing of persons to engage in the practice of shorthand reporting and to provide penalties for violation thereof," approved July 8, 1940 (P. L. 1940, c. 175).

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2 *of New Jersey:*

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2 (C. 45:15B-4) is amended to read as follows:

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4 *at least once each year* at such times and places as may be necessary  
5 in the opinion of the board**],** and at such times and places as it  
6 may designate**];** providing, sufficient applications are on file with  
7 the board. The time and place of holding such examinations shall  
8 be advertised in a periodical *or other publication* to be selected by  
9 the board at least 30 days prior to the date of each examination**],**  
10 and held in a State, county or other public building**].**

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2 (C. 45:15B-7) is amended to read as follows:

3 7. **[Upon the filing of an application for an examination or a**  
4 **certificate under this act the board shall charge a fee of \$15.00.**  
5 **Should the applicant fail to pass the required examination, he**  
6 **shall be entitled to take subsequent examinations within 2 years**  
7 **without the payment of an additional fee. At the end of the State's**  
8 **fiscal year the funds on hand shall be paid to the State Treasury.]**  
9 *An examination fee of \$25.00 shall be charged for each examination*  
10 *or re-examination taken by an applicant, said fee to be paid as the*  
11 *board may provide by rule.*

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2 (C. 45:15B-8) is amended to read as follows:

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3 8. Each member of the board shall receive \$50.00 for each day  
4 on which he is actually engaged in giving examinations, and \$25.00  
5 for each day actually employed in the discharge of his official duties,  
6 and in addition thereto all necessary expenses incurred by him in  
7 executing his functions under this act, upon certifying the same  
8 to the State Treasurer; provided, however, that total salaries of  
9 the board per year shall not exceed **[\$300.00]** the amount appro-  
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11 ment of all costs or expenses other than such salaries. The com-  
12 pensation and expenses of the members of the board and the  
13 expenses of the board that are necessary to carry out the provisions  
14 of this act shall be paid by the State Treasurer from the fees  
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18 itself, *but this shall not preclude engaging any person or persons,*  
19 *including any organization, to assist the board on a volunteer*  
20 *basis. The board may also designate one or more examiners to*  
21 *assist it in preparing, conducting and evaluating the results of ex-*  
22 *aminations, and may from time to time appoint one or more com-*  
23 *mittees composed of persons having knowledge, experience or skill*  
24 *which may be of value in the performance of the work of the board,*  
25 *such committee to serve in an advisory or consultative capacity.*

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#### STATEMENT

The present statute limits the examinations for certified short-hand reporters to 2 each year. The current need for qualified reporters to staff the larger number of judges in the Superior and County Courts, coupled with the increased volume of depositions, makes it necessary to authorize more frequent examinations, as may be needed. This will also enable the board to give the examination to smaller groups of applicants under better testing conditions. To meet the cost of this change, the application fee of \$15.00, which was set in 1940, is increased to \$25.00, and the provision for free examinations after the first is eliminated. The compensation scale is adjusted to reflect the greater burden of examinations, but in other respects remains at the same rate. Total cost of the board's work cannot exceed the amount received in fees, thus avoiding any effect on the State's budget.