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Assembly, No. 529 (*First Reprint*)

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2 supplementing Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 of New Jersey:

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27 provisions of N.J.S.18A:62-1;

28 Any eligible institution, as defined by subsection a. of section 3 of
29 P.L.1979, c.132 (C.18A:72B-17), that receives financial assistance,
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32 permits, other than licenses or permits issued by a professional or
33 occupational board established under the laws of this State, are
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35 Any recruitment office of the New Jersey National Guard.

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37 the election district in which that person resides at any time prior to
38 the twenty-ninth day preceding any election by completing a
39 registration form described in section 16 of P.L.1974, c.30

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ **Assembly ASG committee amendments adopted February 4, 2002.**

1 (C.19:31-6.4) and submitting the form to the commissioner of
2 registration of the county wherein the person resides or alternatively,
3 in the case of a registration form provided by the employees or agents
4 of a public agency or a voter registration agency, as defined in
5 subsection a. of section 26 of P.L.1994, c.182 (C.19:31-6.11), to
6 those employees or agents or to the ¹[Secretary of State] Attorney
7 General¹. Any registration form addressed to a commissioner of
8 registration may be mailed to or delivered to the office of that
9 commissioner, and in the case of a registration form available at a
10 public agency, the form shall be mailed to the ¹[Secretary of State]
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12 the county of the registrant. A registration form postmarked, stamped
13 or otherwise marked as having been received from the registration
14 applicant, on or before the twenty-ninth day preceding any election
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16 (cf: P.L.1994, c.182, s.6)

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18 2. (New section) The registrar or other principal officer
19 responsible for the registration of students at each public institution of
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27 appearing in person at that office, may wish on a voluntary basis to
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30 specified in subsection a. of this section to that office of registration;
31 and

32 c. provide the forms and instructions specified in subsection a. of
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38 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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43 Provides for voter registration at office of registrar of institutions of
44 higher education.

ASSEMBLY, No. 529

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 210th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2002 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOSEPH J. ROBERTS, JR.

District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)

SYNOPSIS

Provides for voter registration at office of registrar of institutions of higher education.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



A529 ROBERTS

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STATEMENT

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ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 529

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2002

The Assembly State Government Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly, No. 529.

This bill provides that voter registration forms are to be made available at the office of the registrar of any public institution of higher education and any private institution of higher education that receives financial assistance, aid, or grants from State funds.

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The committee amended the bill to replace the references in it to the Secretary of State with the Attorney General to conform current law to the fact that most of the elections-related functions once administered by the Secretary of State have been transferred to the Attorney General, pursuant to Governor Whitman's Reorganization Plan No.004-1998, which became effective May 29, 1998.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 2002-2003 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.

SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 529

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 16, 2003

The Senate State Government Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 529 (1R).

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Assembly Bill No. 529 (1R) is the same as Senate Bill No. 1887 (1R).

SENATE, No. 1887

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
210th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 26, 2002

Sponsored by:

Senator JOSEPH CONIGLIO

District 38 (Bergen)

Senator GARRY J. FURNARI

District 36 (Bergen, Essex and Passaic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senator Baer

SYNOPSIS

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SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1887

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 16, 2003

The Senate State Government Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 1887.

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Senate Bill No. 1887 (1R) is the same as Assembly Bill No. 529 (1R).

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to correct an omission in the printed bill.