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P.L. 2003, CHAPTER 37, *approved April 4, 2003*
Assembly, No. 1893 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning ¹certain¹ controlled dangerous substances and
2 supplementing chapter 35 of Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes.

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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. Any person who ¹possesses,¹ distributes, dispenses or has under
8 his control with intent to distribute or dispense ¹[any controlled
9 dangerous substance] 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine,
10 3,4-methylenedioxyamphetamine, gammabutyrolactone¹, gamma
11 hydroxybutyrate or flunitrazepam ¹[in a location or at an event that
12 advertises or holds itself out as being "drug free," "alcohol free" or for
13 "underage" persons, or a similar phrase]¹, ¹or a controlled substance
14 analog of any of these substances,¹ shall, notwithstanding the
15 provisions of any other law, be subject to a ¹[fine] drug enforcement
16 and demand reduction penalty¹ of twice the amount ¹[authorized to
17 be imposed by the provisions of chapter 35 of Title 2C of the New
18 Jersey Statutes] otherwise applicable to the offense¹.

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20 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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25 Doubles the Drug Enforcement and Demand Reduction fines imposed
26 for the possession or distribution of certain club drugs.

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 Senate SJU committee amendments adopted December 9, 2002.

ASSEMBLY, No. 1893

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 210th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 21, 2002

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman FRANCIS J. BLEE

District 2 (Atlantic)

Assemblyman PAUL R. D'AMATO

District 2 (Atlantic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblymen Biondi, Barnes, Merkt, Diegnan, Assemblywoman Quigley,

Assemblymen Chivukula, Conaway, Corodemus and Assemblywoman

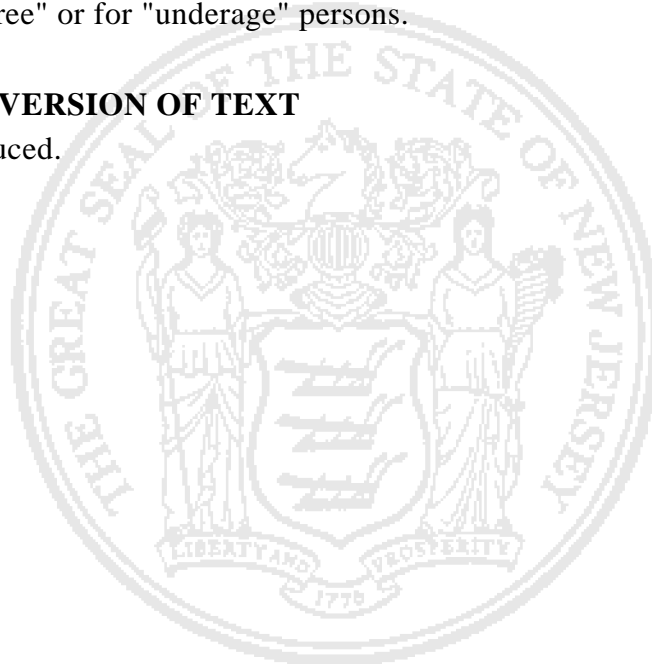
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SYNOPSIS

Doubles the fine imposed for sale of CDS when sold at an event advertised as "alcohol free" or for "underage" persons.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/19/2002)

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2 supplementing chapter 35 of Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

6
7 1. Any person who distributes, dispenses or has under his control
8 with intent to distribute or dispense any controlled dangerous
9 substance, gamma hydroxybutyrate or flunitrazepam in a location or
10 at an event that advertises or holds itself out as being "drug free,"
11 "alcohol free" or for "underage" persons, or a similar phrase, shall,
12 notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, be subject to a fine
13 of twice the amount authorized to be imposed by the provisions of
14 chapter 35 of Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes.

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16 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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21 According to reports, certain dance clubs and "rave" parties which
22 advertise themselves as being for "underage" patrons or as being
23 "alcohol free" have instead been sites for illegal drug use, particularly
24 for so-called "club drugs" such as Ecstasy. Members of the public may
25 not be sufficiently aware of the danger to children posed by such
26 events.

27 This bill would double the fines imposed on drug dealers if
28 controlled dangerous substances are distributed or sold in a location
29 or at an event that advertises or holds itself out as being "drug free,"
30 "alcohol free" or for "underage" persons, or a similar phrase.

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1893

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 24, 2002

The Assembly Judiciary Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1893.

According to reports, certain dance clubs and "rave" parties which advertise themselves as being for "underage" patrons or as being "alcohol free" have instead been sites for illegal drug use, particularly for so-called "club drugs" such as Ecstasy. Members of the public may not be sufficiently aware of the danger to children posed by such events.

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SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1893

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 9, 2002

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 1893.

According to reports, certain dance clubs and "rave" parties which advertise themselves as being for "underage" patrons or as being "alcohol free" have instead been sites for illegal drug use, particularly for so-called "club drugs" such as Ecstasy. Members of the public may not be sufficiently aware of the danger to children posed by such events.

As introduced, this bill would have doubled the fines imposed on drug dealers if controlled dangerous substances were distributed or sold in a location or at an event that advertised or held itself out as being "drug free," "alcohol free" or for "underage" persons, or a similar phrase. The committee amendments include crimes of possession within the scope of the bill and remove the restriction that the possession or distribution be at "drug free" or similar events to avoid the difficulty of proving that the person possessing or distributing knew that the event was advertised as such. Instead the bill will focus on club drugs specifically by referring in the bill to these particular club drugs: 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine, 3,4-methylenedioxyamphetamine, gammabutyrolactone, gamma hydroxybutyrate or flunitrazepam and will double the drug enforcement and demand reduction penalty generally imposed for these crimes.

As amended, this bill is identical to Senate, No. 1950 (1R).

SENATE, No. 1950

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
210th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 7, 2002

Sponsored by:

Senator WILLIAM L. GORMLEY

District 2 (Atlantic)

SYNOPSIS

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CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

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S1950 GORMLEY

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11 "alcohol free" or for "underage" persons, or a similar phrase, shall,
12 notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, be subject to a fine
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SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1950

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 9, 2002

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