



P.L. 2003, CHAPTER 308, *approved January 14, 2004*  
Assembly, No. 4050

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2 Legislature and supplementing Title 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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# ASSEMBLY, No. 4050

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 210th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JANUARY 8, 2004

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**District 33 (Hudson)**

**Assemblyman JOSEPH J. ROBERTS, JR.**

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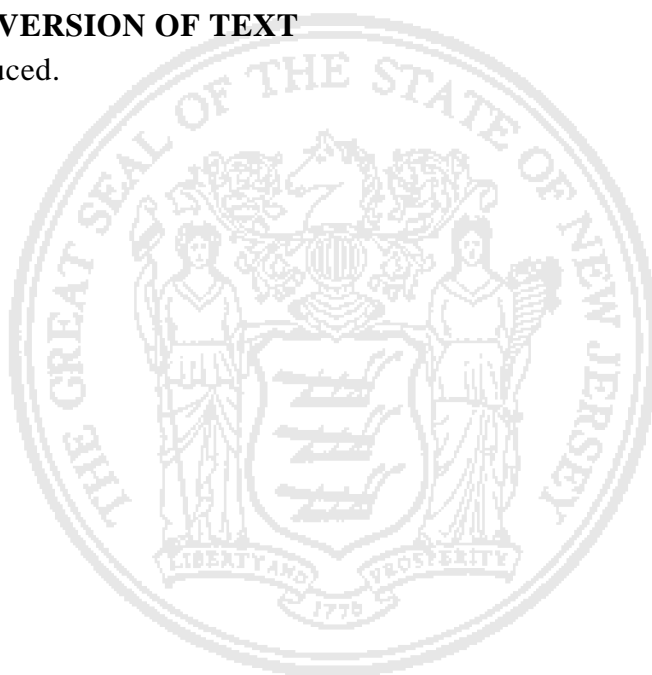
**Assemblymen Azzolina, Eagler and Assemblywoman Greenstein**

**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that members of Legislature enrolled for health benefits through legislative service will not enroll for health benefits from other public entities.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/13/2004)**

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ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 4050**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JANUARY 8, 2004

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4050.

Assembly Bill No. 4050 provides that if a member of the Legislature elects health benefits coverage on the basis of service in the Legislature, the member will not enroll as the primary insured for health benefits for which the member is eligible through any other public entity.

FISCAL IMPACT:

It has been estimated that the cost of the State for this legislation would be minimal.

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 4050**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**210th LEGISLATURE**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2004

**SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Provides that members of Legislature enrolled for health benefits through legislative service will not enroll for health benefits from other public entities.

**Type of Impact:** Expenditure reduction: local government funds.

**Agencies Affected:** Local governments.

**Office of Legislative Services Estimate**

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	<u><b>FY 2004</b></u>	<u><b>FY 2005</b></u>	<u><b>FY 2006</b></u>
<b>Local Savings</b>	Minimal — See Comments Below		

- \* Provides that a member of the Legislature who elects health benefits coverage based on service in the Legislature may not enroll as the primary insured for health benefits through any other public entity and may not accept any amount of money for filing a waiver of coverage.
- \* The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) believes the potential savings to other public entities will be minimal given the small number of individuals who would be subject to the provisions of this bill.
- \* Some savings may accrue to the State if a member of the Legislature elects to decline health benefits coverage based on service in the Legislature and in lieu thereof elects health benefits coverage from another public entity.

**BILL DESCRIPTION**

Assembly Bill No. 4050 of 2003 would provide that members of the Legislature enrolled for health benefits through legislative service may not enroll for health benefits from other public entities and may not accept any amount of money from other public entities for filing a waiver of coverage.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### ***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

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

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) believes that the provisions of this legislation will reduce the cost to local government entities of providing health care coverage. However, the amount of savings will be minimal given the small number of individuals, that is, some subset of 120 persons, who would be subject to the provisions of this bill.

Section: *State Government*

Analyst: *James F. Vari*  
*Senior Fiscal Analyst*

Approved: *David J. Rosen*  
*Legislative Budget and Finance Officer*

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67.