## 45:12-9.2

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	COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY:	<u>Yes</u>
		SENATE:	No
	FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT:		No
S2548	LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:		No
	SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 2 of original bill)		Yes
	COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY:	No
		SENATE:	Yes
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### P.L. 2005, CHAPTER 143, *approved July 7, 2005* Assembly, No. 3905

1 AN ACT concerning continuing education programs for optometrists 2 and amending P.L.1975, c.24. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 2 of P.L.1975, c.24 (C.45:12-9.2) is amended to read as 8 follows: 9 2. All registered active optometrists now or hereafter licensed in 10 the State of New Jersey shall be required to take courses of study relating to the practice of the profession of optometry or to maintain 11 proficiency in some other alternative manner to be prescribed and 12 established by the New Jersey State Board of Optometrists; except 13 that any practitioner who has been granted his license by examination 14 15 during the preceding year shall be exempt from this requirement for 16 the succeeding year. The board shall approve only such continuing 17 educational programs as are available to all persons practicing 18 optometry in the State on a reasonable nondiscriminatory basis. The board may approve programs to be held within or without the State of 19 20 New Jersey. The board shall approve such programs that enable optometrists in all sections of the State to attend such programs. In 21 22 no event shall the board approve a program offered by any 23 professional association that discriminates against any licensed 24 optometrists in the State, except that the board shall permit a professional association to impose a differential in registration fees not 25 to exceed [130%] 150% of the fee charged to members of that 26 professional association. 27 (cf: P.L.1991, c.171, s.1) 28 29 30 2. This act shall take effect immediately. 31 32 33 **STATEMENT** 34 This bill increases the maximum differential in registration fees for 35 optometric continuing education programs that a professional 36 37 association may charge to optometrists who are not members of the association from 130% to 150% of the fee charged to members of that 38 association. 39

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- 4 education programs charged by professional associations to non-
- 5 members.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 3905 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 211th LEGISLATURE

**INTRODUCED MARCH 7, 2005** 

Sponsored by: Assemblyman PATRICK DIEGNAN, JR. District 18 (Middlesex) Assemblyman JOSEPH R. MALONE, III District 30 (Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean)

Co-Sponsored by: Senators Buono and Bucco

### **SYNOPSIS**

Increases maximum permitted fee differential in optometric continuing education programs charged by professional associations to non-members.

### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/24/2005)

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# ASSEMBLY REGULATED PROFESSIONS AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

## ASSEMBLY, No. 3905

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

### DATED: MAY 2, 2005

The Assembly Regulated Professions and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3905.

This bill increases the maximum differential in registration fees for optometric continuing education programs that a professional association may charge to optometrists who are not members of the association from 130% to 150% of the fee charged to members of that association.

# SENATE, No. 2548 **STATE OF NEW JERSEY** 211th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 19, 2005

Sponsored by: Senator BARBARA BUONO District 18 (Middlesex) Senator ANTHONY R. BUCCO District 25 (Morris)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

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### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

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### SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

## SENATE, No. 2548

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

### DATED: JUNE 16, 2005

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2548.

This bill increases the maximum differential in registration fees for optometric continuing education programs that a professional association may charge to optometrists who are not members of the association from 130% to 150% of the fee charged to members of that association.