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Assembly, No. 2182

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ASSEMBLY, No. 2182

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

218th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JANUARY 29, 2018

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman WAYNE P. DEANGELO

District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)

Assemblyman BENJIE E. WIMBERLY

District 35 (Bergen and Passaic)

Assemblywoman ANNETTE QUIJANO

District 20 (Union)

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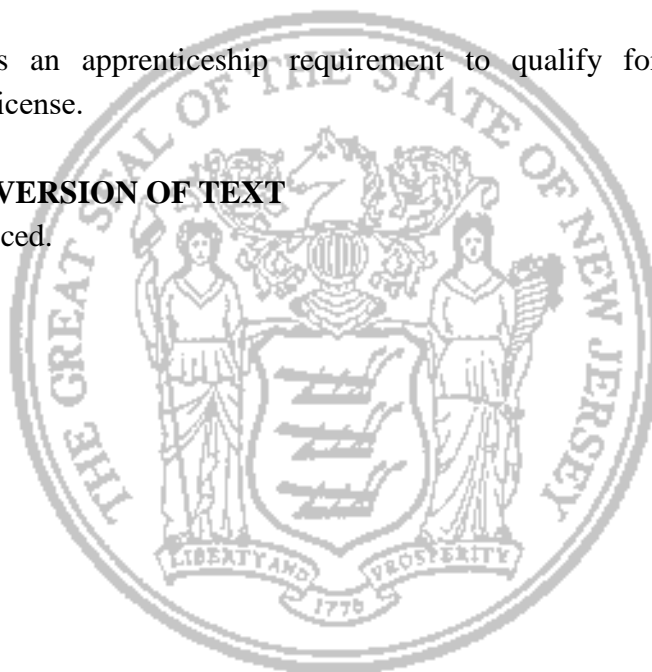
Assemblywoman Murphy, Assemblymen Thomson, Rooney and Houghtaling

SYNOPSIS

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ASSEMBLY REGULATED PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2182

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 29, 2018

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SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

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SENATE, No. 2765

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 218th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 21, 2018

Sponsored by:

Senator NICHOLAS P. SCUTARI

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Senator TROY SINGLETON

District 7 (Burlington)

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The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2765.

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The bill also provides that for four years following the effective date of this bill, under certain circumstances, an individual may qualify to apply for a license as an electrical contractor without having to participate in an electrical apprenticeship program accredited and approved by the United States Department of Labor. These circumstances apply if an individual presents evidence satisfactory to the Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors that the individual has been employed in the electrical trade or enrolled in a formal electrical apprenticeship program on or before the effective date of this bill. Under the bill, such employment or enrollment is credited up to a maximum total credit of four years.

In addition, the bill stipulates that the Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors must keep a register of all apprentice electrician applications by individuals registering as apprentice electricians enrolled in an electrical apprenticeship program accredited and approved by the United States Department of Labor.

The bill also makes a technical correction to the current law, which makes reference to a repealed section of law.



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Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

12/17/2018

TRENTON – Today, Governor Phil Murphy signed the following bills into law:

A360 (Chiaravalloti, Danielsen, Mukherji/Pou, Cruz-Perez) – Prohibits consumer reporting agencies from charging certain fees related to security freezes on consumer reports.

A1039 (Houghtaling, Dancer, Andrzejczak, Space, Taliaferro/Gopal, Oroho) – Directs the Division of Travel and Tourism to publish on its website information of farm-to-table restaurants.

A2182 (DeAngelo, Wimberly, Quijano/Scutari, Singleton) – Establishes an apprenticeship requirement to qualify for an electrical contractor's license.

A3112 (Benson, Mukherji, Karabinchak/Beach, Oroho) – Authorizes local units of government subject to "Local Public Contracts Law" and "Public School Contracts Law" to use electronic procurement technologies.

A3731 (Tully, Swain, Wimberly/Lagana) – Establishes "County Code Pilot Program" for certain counties.

A4102 (Johnson, DeAngelo/Weinberg) – Allows cigar bars and lounges to renew lapsed exemption from ban on indoor smoking under certain circumstances.

S724 (Greenstein, Diegnan/Pinkin, Giblin, Jasey) – Allows pharmacy interns and pharmacy externs to administer certain vaccines under direct supervision of pharmacist and requires reporting of certain vaccine administrations.

S869 (Sweeney, Cunningham, Oroho/Jimenez, Lagana, Vainieri Huttie, Benson) – Permits establishment by county and four-year institutions of higher education of three plus one degree programs for receipt of baccalaureate degree after spending three years at county college and one year at senior institution.

S870 (Sweeney, Cunningham/Jasey, Schaer, Calabrese) – Establishes Dual Enrollment Study Commission.

S1869 (Scutari/Caputo, Holley) – Prohibits sale of certain alarm business signs and decals.

S1958 (Gopal, Scutari/Mukherji, Lopez, DeAngelo) – Establishes permit to allow seasonal retail consumption license holders to sell alcoholic beverages during certain off-season dates.

S2397 (Gopal/Schaer, Karabinchak, Pinkin) – Requires institutions of higher education to provide alternative arrangements to students unable to complete certain assignments by regular due date or register for courses because of day of religious observance.

S2839 (Gopal, Oroho, Greenstein/Houghtaling, Zwicker, DeAngelo) – Makes General Fund supplemental appropriation of \$250,000 to New Jersey Manufacturing Extension Program, Inc.

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S2845 (Vitale/Spearman, Mejia, Lopez) – Amends Fiscal Year 2019 appropriations act to revise increase in Work

First New Jersey benefits.

SJR18 (Pou, Greenstein/Murphy) – Establishes "Commission to Review Constructive Sentences of Life Imprisonment on Juvenile Offenders."

Additionally, Governor Murphy announced that he has conditionally vetoed the following bills:

A4342 (Tully, Swain, Benson, Jones/Lagana) – Requires public school student to carry identification card at school-sponsored, off-campus activities and requires principal to keep list of students on school buses used for school-sponsored activities in case of emergencies.

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S393 (Madden, Singleton/DeAngelo, Murphy, Verrelli) – Establishes Talent Network Program in DOLWD.

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S1697 (Sarlo, Oroho/DeAngelo, Lagana, Space) – Exempts fuel used for operation of certain school buses from petroleum products gross receipts tax and motor fuel tax; clarifies tax treatment of certain dyed fuel thereunder; clarifies determination of taxable estates of certain decedents.

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S2531 (Beach/Jones) – Allows county governing body in certain counties to abolish offices of superintendent and deputy superintendent of elections and transfer functions to county board of elections.

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Governor Murphy also announced that he has absolute vetoed the following bills:


S2455 (Sweeney, Oroho/Murphy, McKnight, Mosquera) – Transfers county college employees and retirees from membership in SEHBP to membership in SHBP.

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S3074 (Lagana/Pintor Marin, Greenwald) - Provides for procurement by State of pharmacy benefits manager, automated reverse auction services, and claims adjudication services.

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