

40A:10-19

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

(Counties and municipalities--dental insurance--authorize contracts on behalf of employees)

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CHAPTER 145

Bill No. A1433

Sponsor(s) Weidel

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Committee: Assembly County Government

Senate County and Municipal Government

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Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement Yes No (Below)

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Following were printed:

Reports Yes No

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Sponsor's statement:

The purpose of this bill is to authorize any municipality, county, or agency thereof to contract for dental insurance for their employees.

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CHAPTER 145 LAWS OF N. J. 1980
APPROVED 11-12-80

ASSEMBLY, No. 1433

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED APRIL 17, 1980

By Assemblyman WEIDEL

Referred to Committee on County Government

AN ACT concerning counties, municipalities, or agencies thereof
in relation to certain group insurance programs and amending
N. J. S. 40A :10-17 and N. J. S. 40A :10-19.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. N. J. S. 40A :10-17 is amended to read as follows:

2 40A :10-17. Contracts for group insurance. Any local unit or
3 agency thereof, herein referred to as employers, may:

4 a. Enter into contracts of group life, accidental death and
5 dismemberment, hospitalization, *dental*, medical, surgical, major
6 medical expense, or health and accident insurance with any in-
7 surance company or companies authorized to do business in this
8 State, or may contract with a nonprofit hospital service or medical
9 service *or dental service* corporation with respect to the benefits
10 which they are authorized to provide respectively. The contract
11 or contracts shall provide any one or more of such coverages for
12 the employees of such employer and may include their dependents;

13 b. Enter into a contract or contracts to provide drug prescrip-
14 tion and other health care benefits, or enter into a contract or con-
15 tracts to provide drug prescription and other health care benefits
16 as may be required to implement a duly executed collective negotia-
17 tions agreement, or as may be required to implement a determina-
18 tion by a local unit to provide such benefit or benefits to employees
19 not included in collective negotiations units.

20 Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize coverage
21 of dependents of an employee under a group life insurance policy
22 or to allow the issuance of a group life insurance policy under
23 which the entire premium is to be derived from funds contributed
24 by the insured employees.

1 2. N. J. S. 40A :10-19 is amended to read as follows:

2 40A :10-19. Limitations, exclusions, exceptions to be contained
3 in contract. Any contract or contracts permitted under this sub-

4 article shall contain limitations, exclusions or exceptions so as to
5 avoid duplication of benefits or services otherwise available pur-
6 suant to accidental death and dismemberment, hospitalization,
7 *dental*, medical, surgical, major medical expense, or health and
8 accident coverage under any other law of this State or the coverage
9 afforded under the laws of the United States, such as the Federal
10 Medicare Program, and at the option of the employer and the
11 carrier, group insurance or any other arrangement of coverage
12 for individuals in a group, whether on an insured or uninsured
13 basis.

14 Any contract permitted under this subarticle may condition the
15 eligibility of any employee upon satisfying a waiting period stated
16 in the contract.

1 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The purpose of this bill is to authorize any municipality, county,
or agency thereof to contract for dental insurance for their
employees.

ASSEMBLY COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1433

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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DATED: MAY 19, 1980

The purpose of this bill is to authorize any municipality, county, or agency thereof to contract for dental insurance for its employees.

SENATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1433

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 26, 1980

Assembly Bill No. 1433 would permit counties and municipalities, and their agencies, to contract for dental insurance programs for their employees with insurance companies, or with nonprofit dental service corporations.

The State is currently authorized to extend dental coverage to State employees. Many local governments have negotiated dental coverage with their own employees, absent any explicit statutory authorization.