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Sponsor(s): Orechio

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SENATE, No. 1991

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1990 SESSION

By Senator ORECHIO

1 AN ACT increasing the membership of the fire safety commission
2 and amending P.L.1983, c.382.

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

6 1. Section 5 of P.L.1983, c.382 (C.52:27D-25e) is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 5. a. To assist and advise the commissioner in the
9 administration of this act, there is created in the Department of
10 Community Affairs a fire safety commission consisting of [20] 21
11 members. The commission shall consist of: two members of the
12 Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate, who shall not
13 be both of the same political party; two members of the General
14 Assembly, appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly,
15 who shall not be both of the same political party; seven citizens
16 of the State, appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and
17 the Speaker of the General Assembly, no more than four of whom
18 shall be of the same political party, including a representative of
19 a volunteer fire organization, a representative of a construction
20 labor organization, a representative of the fire insurance
21 industry, a representative of the construction industry, a
22 representative of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, a
23 municipal construction official, and a representative of the New
24 Jersey State Fire Prevention and Protection Association; [and]
25 ¹[nine] 10¹ citizens of the State appointed by the Governor, no
26 more than five of whom shall be of the same political party, and
27 who shall include a representative of the New Jersey State
28 Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association, a representative of
29 the New Jersey League of Municipalities, two representatives of
30 the volunteer fire service, one of whom shall be a representative
31 of the New Jersey State Volunteer Firemen's Association, a
32 representative of the New Jersey State Fire Chiefs' Association,
33 a representative of the New Jersey Paid Fire Chiefs'
34 Association, a representative of the Fire Fighters' Association of
35 New Jersey, a representative of the New Jersey State
36 Association of Fire Districts, ¹[and]¹ a municipal fire protection
37 subcode official¹; and the fire director, ex officio, of a

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the
above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
¹ Assembly AMG committee amendments adopted March 18, 1991.

1 municipality having a population in excess of 300,000], and a
2 chief administrator of the fire department of a municipality with
3 a population of 100,000 or more¹, according to the most recent
4 federal decennial census. The members of the Senate and
5 General Assembly appointed to the commission shall serve for
6 terms which shall be for the legislative session for which they
7 were elected. Of the seven members first appointed jointly by
8 the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the General
9 Assembly, three shall be appointed for terms of five years, three
10 shall be appointed for terms of four years, and one shall be
11 appointed for a term of three years. Of the eight members first
12 appointed by the Governor, three shall be appointed for terms of
13 five years, three shall be appointed for a term of four years, and
14 two shall be appointed for terms of three years. The first
15 representative of the New Jersey State Association of Fire
16 Districts appointed by the Governor shall be for a term of three
17 years. Thereafter, members of the fire safety commission, except
18 as provided above for members of the Legislature, shall be
19 appointed for terms of five years. Vacancies on the commission
20 shall be filled, in the same manner as the original appointment
21 but for the unexpired term. Members may be removed by the
22 appointing authority for cause.

23 b. Members of the fire safety commission shall serve without
24 compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses
25 incurred in performance of their duties, within the limits of any
26 funds appropriated or otherwise made available for that purpose.

27 c. To advise and assist the fire safety commission in the
28 performance of its responsibilities under this act, there are
29 created four advisory councils, one in each of the following
30 subject areas: the "Uniform Fire Safety Act"; training and
31 education which shall be comprised of at least 60% of the
32 representatives of the volunteer fire service; statistics and
33 information; and master planning and research. Additional
34 advisory councils shall be created by the fire safety commission
35 as it deems appropriate. Each advisory council shall consist of
36 one member of the fire safety commission, who shall be
37 chairman, and as many citizens who are knowledgeable and
38 experienced in matters related to the particular subject as the
39 fire safety commission shall appoint. Members of the advisory
40 councils shall serve without compensation and at the pleasure of
41 the fire safety commission.

42 (cf: P.L.1985, c.90, s.5)

43 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

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STATEMENT

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ASSEMBLY MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1991

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 18, 1991

The Assembly Municipal Government Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 1991 with committee amendments.

Senate Bill No. 1991 increases the membership of the fire safety commission in the Department of Community Affairs from 20 to 21 members. The committee amended the bill to delete the requirement that the additional member be the fire director, ex officio, of a municipality having a population in excess of 300,000. As amended by the committee, the Governor will select as the twenty-first member a chief administrator of the fire department of a municipality with a population of 100,000 or more, according to the most recent federal decennial census.

SENATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1991

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBURARY 5, 1990

The Senate County and Municipal Government Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 1991.

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This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1990 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.