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Buildings and
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Supervisors.
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P.L. 1999, CHAPTER 337, *approved January 10, 2000*
Assembly, No. 1019 (*Third Reprint*)

1 **AN ACT** concerning public school facilities and supplementing chapter
2 17 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

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7 1. As used in this act, "Buildings and grounds supervisor" means
8 a person employed by a school district who performs administrative
9 and supervisory duties relating to the structural, mechanical and
10 physical maintenance and repair of public school facilities and who
11 consults with contractors and school district officials to ensure proper
12 compliance and administration of the various laws, regulations,
13 technical practices, operations and management techniques with regard
14 to the maintenance and repair of public school facilities or assists in
15 planning, organizing and directing all undertakings relating to the
16 structural, mechanical and physical maintenance and repair of public
17 school facilities, or a combination thereof.

18 "Certified educational facilities manager" means a person who
19 meets any one of the following criteria:

20 i. has served as a buildings and grounds supervisor in a school
21 district continuously for the five years prior to September 1, 2002; or

22 ii. ³is a code enforcement official licensed by the Department of
23 Community Affairs and is serving as a building and grounds supervisor
24 on the effective date of P.L. , c. (C.) (now pending before the
25 Legislature as this bill); or

26 iii.³ has a minimum of ²**[three]** two² years of experience in the
27 field of buildings and grounds supervision and has graduated as a
28 certified educational facilities manager from the New Jersey
29 Educational Facility Management Program at Rutgers, The State
30 University ¹or has graduated from an equivalent program offered at
31 either an accredited institution of higher education or an approved

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and 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 AED committee amendments adopted February 11, 1999.

² Senate SED committee amendments adopted September 27, 1999.

³ Senate floor amendments adopted November 15, 1999.

1 post-secondary institution located within or outside of the State¹.

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3 2. Commencing September 1, 2002, no person shall be employed
4 by a board of education of a school district as a buildings and grounds
5 supervisor unless he is a certified educational facilities manager;
6 except that when a vacancy occurs in a position in which the duties of
7 a buildings and grounds supervisor are performed, a board may select,
8 for a period not to exceed two years and commencing on the date of
9 the vacancy, a person who is not a certified educational facilities
10 manager to perform on an interim basis, the duties of a buildings and
11 grounds supervisor.

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13 3. A board of education shall require any applicant for a permanent
14 position as a buildings and grounds supervisor to provide
15 documentation that he is a certified educational facilities manager.

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17 4. The State Board of Education shall adopt, pursuant to the
18 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et
19 seq.), the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions
20 of this act.

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22 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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28 Requires school district buildings and grounds supervisors to be a
certified educational facilities manager.

ASSEMBLY, No. 1019

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

208th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1998 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman CHARLES "KEN" ZISA

District 37 (Bergen)

Assemblyman ALAN M. AUGUSTINE

District 22 (Middlesex, Morris, Somerset and Union)

SYNOPSIS

Requires school district buildings and grounds supervisors to be a certified educational facilities manager.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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21 district continuously for the five years prior to September 1, 2002; or
22 ii. has a minimum of three years of experience in the field of
23 buildings and grounds supervision and has graduated as a certified
24 educational facilities manager from the New Jersey Educational
25 Facility Management Program at Rutgers, The State University.

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27 2. Commencing September 1, 2002, no person shall be employed
28 by a board of education of a school district as a buildings and grounds
29 supervisor unless he is a certified educational facilities manager;
30 except that when a vacancy occurs in a position in which the duties of
31 a buildings and grounds supervisor are performed, a board may select,
32 for a period not to exceed two years and commencing on the date of
33 the vacancy, a person who is not a certified educational facilities
34 manager to perform on an interim basis, the duties of a buildings and
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Currently, many school districts employ a buildings and grounds supervisor who is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the district's buildings and grounds and who performs administrative and supervisory duties relating to the structural, mechanical and physical maintenance and repair of public school facilities. However, there are no statutory or administrative provisions regulating this position.

This bill requires that commencing on September 1, 2002, any buildings and grounds supervisor employed by a school district must be a certified educational facilities manager. The board of education of a school district shall require any applicant for a permanent position as a buildings and grounds supervisor to provide documentation that he is a certified educational facilities manager. The bill provides that a certified educational facilities manager is any person with three years of experience in the field of buildings and grounds supervision who has graduated as a certified educational facilities manager from the New Jersey Educational Facility Management Program at Rutgers, The State University or worked in the capacity of a buildings and grounds supervisor for the five years preceding September 1, 2002.

Finally, the bill provides that when a vacancy occurs in the position of a buildings and grounds supervisor, a board may select, for a period not to exceed two years, a person who is not a certified educational facilities manager to perform on an interim basis, the duties of a buildings and grounds supervisor.

ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1019

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 11, 1999

The Assembly Education Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 1019 with committee amendments.

As amended by committee, this bill requires that beginning on September 1, 2002, any person employed by a school district as a buildings and grounds supervisor must be a certified educational facilities manager. A building and grounds supervisor is defined under the bill as a person employed by a school district who is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the district's buildings and grounds and who performs administrative and supervisory duties relating to the structural, mechanical, and physical maintenance and repair of the district's facilities.

To qualify as a certified educational facilities manager, an individual must have served as a buildings and grounds supervisor in a school district continuously for the five years prior to September 1, 2002; or, have a minimum of three years of experience in the field of buildings and grounds supervision and have graduated as a certified educational facilities manager from the New Jersey Educational Facility Management Program at Rutgers, The State University or from an equivalent program offered at either an accredited institution of higher education or an approved post-secondary institution located within or outside of the State.

The bill does provide that when a vacancy occurs in the position of a buildings and ground supervisor, a board of education may select, for a period not to exceed two years, a person who is not a certified educational facilities manager to perform the duties of a buildings and ground supervisor on an interim basis.

The committee amended the bill to provide that a certified educational facilities manager may be a graduate of a program offered by an accredited institution of higher education or an approved post-secondary institution located within or outside of the State if the program is equivalent to the educational facilities management program offered at Rutgers.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1998 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 1019

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 27, 1999

The Senate Education Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1019 (1R) with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill requires that beginning on September 1, 2002, any person employed by a school district as a buildings and grounds supervisor must be a certified educational facilities manager. A building and grounds supervisor is defined under the bill as a person employed by a school district who is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the district's buildings and grounds and who performs administrative and supervisory duties relating to the structural, mechanical, and physical maintenance and repair of the district's facilities.

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An amendment was adopted to reduce the minimum years of experience required from three to two years.

As reported, this bill is identical to S-1793 with Senate committee amendments.

STATEMENT TO
[Second Reprint]
ASSEMBLY, No. 1019

with Senate Floor Amendments
(Proposed By Senator SACCO)

ADOPTED: NOVEMBER 15, 1999

This amendment grandfathers in as a certified educational facilities manager any person who is a code enforcement official licensed by the Department of Community Affairs who is serving as a building and grounds supervisor on the bill's effective date.

SENATE, No. 1793

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 22, 1999

Sponsored by:

Senator JOSEPH A. PALAIA

District 11 (Monmouth)

SYNOPSIS

Requires school district buildings and grounds supervisors to be a certified educational facilities manager.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



S1793 PALAIA

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23 Management Program at Rutgers, The State University or from an
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SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1793

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 27, 1999

The Senate Education Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1793 with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill requires that beginning on September 1, 2002, any person employed by a school district as a buildings and grounds supervisor must be a certified educational facilities manager. A building and grounds supervisor is defined under the bill as a person employed by a school district who is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the district's buildings and grounds and who performs administrative and supervisory duties relating to the structural, mechanical, and physical maintenance and repair of the district's facilities.

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An amendment was adopted to reduce the minimum years of experience required from three to two years.

As reported, this bill is identical to A-1019 (1R) with Senate committee amendments.

Office of the Governor
NEWS RELEASE

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RELEASE: January 10, 2000

Gov. Christie Whitman today signed the following pieces of legislation:

S-436, sponsored by Senators C. Louis Bassano (R-Essex/Union) and Diane B. Allen (R-Burlington/Camden), requires the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) to prepare an informational pamphlet on the nature and causes of osteoporosis and methods used to treat and prevent osteoporosis. The bill appropriates \$25,000 from the General Fund to DHSS to fund the printing and distribution of the pamphlets.

S-1735, sponsored by Senators William L. Gormley (R-Atlantic) and John A. Girgenti (D-Passaic) and Assembly Members Kenneth C. LeFevre (R-Atlantic) and Francis J. Blee (R-Atlantic), amends the reckless endangerment statute to clarify that adulteration of a drink or other substance constitutes the fourth degree offense of reckless endangerment. Specifically, the bill clarifies that this offense is committed when a person purposely or knowingly gives another person a drink or other substance that is intoxicating, tranquilizing or disorienting, when that other person does not know the identity and effect of the drink or substance.

A-2775, sponsored by Assembly Members John V. Kelly (R-Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Paul DiGaetano (R-Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Senator Garry J. Furnari (D-Bergen/Essex/Passaic), provides a grant of \$75,000 to create a study skills program in the East Rutherford Boro School District to address the needs of at-risk pupils. Pupils who are at-risk will be determined by using multiple indicators, including test scores, writing portfolios, teacher recommendations, and parental input. Funding will be utilized for staffing, teaching materials and other supplies. The bill makes a supplemental appropriation to the Fiscal Year 2000 budget.

A-1019, sponsored by Assembly Members Charles Zisa (D-Bergen) and Alan M. Augustine (R-Middlesex/Morris/Somerset/Union), and Senator Joseph A. Palaia (R-Monmouth), provides that commencing on September 1, 2002, any buildings and grounds supervisor employed by a school district must be a certified educational facilities manager. The bill directs the State Board of Education to issue rules and regulations to administer the program. The bill provides that a certified educational facilities manager must meet specific requirements, including having two years of experience in the field of buildings and grounds supervision and graduate as a certified educational facilities manager from the New Jersey Educational Facility Management Program at Rutgers University, or an equivalent program at an accredited institution of higher learning.

A-2993, sponsored by Assembly Members Gerald J. Luongo (R-Camden/Gloucester) and Senator Robert E. Littell (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris), excludes bonds supported by open space, recreation, farmland or historic preservation taxes from calculation of gross debt of a county or municipality. Gross debt is a measure used under the Local Bond Law to derive the net debt of a county or municipality for purposes of establishing a county or municipal debt limit.

A-1445, sponsored by Assembly Members Jack Collins (R- Salem/Cumberland/Gloucester) and Marion Crecco (R-Essex/Passaic) and Senators Norman Robertson (R-Essex/Passaic) and Anthony R. Bucco (R- Morris), permits a police officer enrolled in the Police and Firemen's Retirement System to purchase up to three years of service credit based on inactive time between a point of no-fault layoff and the point of rehiring the employee.

A-2133, sponsored by Assembly Members John V. Kelly (R- Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Joseph V. Doria, Jr. (D-Hudson), requires health insurers, including hospital service corporations, medical service corporations, health service corporations, commercial insurers and health maintenance organizations to provide health benefits coverage for annual mammograms for women aged 40 and over. Previous law provided for annual mammogram coverage for women 50 and over; women who are at least 40, but less than 50, were provided coverage for biannual examinations.

S-1503, sponsored by Senator Richard J. Codey (D-Essex) and Assembly Members John V. Kelly (R-Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Paul DiGaetano (R-Bergen/Essex/Passaic), revises pension benefits and employee contribution rates for members of certain board of education pension funds.

A-2943, sponsored by Assembly Members Jack Collins (R-Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem) and Christopher Bateman (R-Morris/Somerset) and Senators Robert W. Singer (R-Burlington/Monmouth/Ocean) and Diane B. Allen (R-Burlington/Camden), requires the return of unearned premiums on a pro rata basis for canceled automobile insurance policies. Previous law only required an insurer to return unpaid premiums on a short rate basis, which is an amount less than the pro rata basis because a percentage of administrative costs are charged to the insured.

A-1706, sponsored by Assembly Member John V. Kelly (R-Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Senators Robert W. Singer (R-Burlington/Monmouth/Ocean) and Louis F. Kosco (R-Bergen), establishes a procedure to be followed by landlords of commercial or residential property when disposing of tangible property left behind in premises that had been vacated by a tenant.

S-1062, sponsored by Senators William L. Gormley (R-Atlantic) and Edward T. O'Connor, Jr. (D-Hudson) and Assembly Members Richard A. Merkt (R-Morris) and Michael Patrick Carroll (R-Morris), establishes a procedure for dealing with lost or abandoned property.

A-3298, sponsored by Assembly Members John S. Wisniewski (D-Middlesex) and Gerald J. Luongo (R-Camden/Gloucester) and Senators Joseph F. Vitale (D-Middlesex) and Nicholas J. Sacco (D-Bergen/Hudson), allows for re-certification of the special district tax for school districts if the school district's surplus account is higher than estimated at the school election in certain circumstances.

S-1697, sponsored by Senators William L. Gormley (R-Atlantic) and Wayne R. Bryant (D-Camden/Gloucester) and Assembly Members James W. Holzapfel (R- Monmouth/Ocean) and Kenneth C. LeFevre (R-Atlantic), authorizes a court to issue a restraining order prohibiting a person charged with, convicted of or adjudicated delinquent for any drug distribution offense or any offense involving the use or possession of an assault weapon from returning to the place where the offense occurred.

A-960, sponsored by Assembly Member Alan M. Augustine (R- Middlesex/Morris/Somerset /Union), requires pet shops to refund the purchase price, reimburse any veterinary fees, or provide replacement for sick cats or dogs under certain circumstances.

S-1273, sponsored by Senators Robert W. Singer (R- Burlington/Monmouth/Ocean) and Robert W. Littell (R-Sussex/Hunterdon/Morris) and Assembly Members Charlotte Vandervalk (R- Bergen) and Nicholas R. Felice (R-Bergen/Passaic), permits HMO enrollees residing in certain retirement communities with nursing homes to continue to receive care at that nursing facility under certain circumstances.

A-1653, sponsored by Assembly Members John V. Kelly (R- Bergen/Essex/Passaic) and Neil M. Cohen (D-Union) and Senator Gerald Cardinale (R-Bergen), requires health insurers, including hospital service corporations, medical service corporation, health service corporations, commercial insurers and health maintenance organizations to provide insurance coverage benefits for health wellness examinations and counseling. The bill appropriates \$95,000 to the Department of Health and Senior Services for allocation to the Health Wellness Promotion Advisory Board to evaluate implementation of the provisions of the bill and to ensure awareness and utilization of the health promotion program by covered persons and health care providers.

A-2461, sponsored by Assembly Member Gary W. Stuhltrager (R-Salem/Cumberland/ Gloucester), extends the cap on tax liability on transfers of hazardous substances to certain successors in interest.