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SYNOPSIS

Establishes requirements governing the closing of any State prison.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



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1 AN ACT concerning certain State correctional facilities and
2 supplementing Title 30 of the Revised 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. No State correctional facility shall be closed until:

8 a. The inmates housed in that facility have been transferred to
9 another State correctional facility; and

10 b. Any county correctional facility that is housing prisoners
11 remanded by the State who are not being housed pursuant to a
12 contractual arrangement between the State and the county is
13 afforded an opportunity to return those prisoners to the care and
14 custody of the Department of Corrections for transfer to a State
15 correctional facility.

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17 2. The provisions of this act shall not apply to any temporary
18 closing of a State correctional facility for reasons relating to the
19 health, safety or well-being of the inmates and staff of that facility
20 or the residents of the communities adjacent to that facility.

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22 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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27 This bill would prohibit the permanent closing of any State
28 correctional facility until (1) all the inmates housed in the facility
29 have been transferred to another State correctional facility, and (2)
30 any county that is housing State inmates in its correctional facility
31 who are not subject to a contractual agreement with the State are
32 afforded the opportunity to return those inmates to the care and
33 custody of the Department Of Corrections for transfer to a State
34 correctional facility.

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36 The provisions of the bill do not apply to any temporary closures
37 of a State correctional facility for reasons relating to the health,
38 safety or well-being of the inmates and staff of the facility or the
residents of the communities neighboring the facility.