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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires State to review all licensing procedures concerning businesses or commercial enterprises regulated thereby, and recommend and make certain changes.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT directing the State to review all licensing procedures that  
2 concern regulated businesses or commercial enterprises and  
3 make certain changes.

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

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8 1. a. The head of each State department, agency or commission  
9 in the Executive Branch shall, within 30 days after the effective  
10 date of P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this bill),  
11 conduct a comprehensive, written review of all licensing procedures  
12 that concern the businesses or commercial enterprises regulated by  
13 the department, agency or commission for the purpose of  
14 identifying which of those procedures could be revised, simplified  
15 or eliminated to facilitate the licensure processes required thereby,  
16 if any, and to increase the number of the remaining procedures that  
17 could be completed using computer-based technology, such as the  
18 Internet.

19 The review shall include: (1) recommendations and explanations  
20 by the head of a State department, agency or commission in the  
21 Executive Branch as to which specific licensing procedures thereof  
22 should be revised, simplified or eliminated to effectuate the purpose  
23 of the review; (2) an assessment of the probable impact of adopting  
24 each recommended change on the department, agency or  
25 commission, and on businesses, commercial enterprises and the  
26 general public; and (3) the identification of those rules, regulations  
27 and statutes administered by the department, agency or commission  
28 that would need to be revised, simplified or eliminated to effectuate  
29 the purpose of the review.

30 The reviews shall be completed and transmitted to the Governor  
31 and the Legislature, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164  
32 (C.52:14-19.1), not less than 120 days following the effective date  
33 of P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

34 b. After due consideration of the reviews, the Governor shall:  
35 (1) direct the head of each State department, agency or commission  
36 in the Executive Branch to make such changes to the licensing  
37 procedures that concern the businesses or commercial enterprises  
38 regulated by the department, agency or commission as may be  
39 possible to make, pursuant to current rules, regulations and statutes,  
40 to effectuate those parts of the review the Governor deems  
41 necessary; (2) issue such Executive Orders as the Governor believes  
42 appropriate to effectuate those parts of the review as the Governor  
43 deems necessary; and (3) seek from the Legislature changes in the  
44 statutory law that would revise, simplify or eliminate those statutes  
45 necessary to effectuate those parts of the review the Governor  
46 deems necessary.

47 c. The head of each State Department, agency or commission  
48 in the Executive Branch shall promulgate such temporary rules and

1 regulations, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act,"  
2 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), and perform such duties, as  
3 the head of the department, agency or commission may deem  
4 necessary to effectuate the changes sought by the Governor that  
5 result from the review provided for by subsection a. of this section.  
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7 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire on the  
8 first day of the 24th month following its effective date.  
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11 STATEMENT  
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13 The purpose of this bill is to revise and simplify all licensing  
14 procedures that concern the businesses or commercial enterprises  
15 regulated by each State department, agency or commission in the  
16 Executive Branch of government to facilitate the licensure  
17 processes required thereby, if any, and to increase the number of the  
18 remaining procedures that could be completed using computer-  
19 based technology, such as the Internet.

20 This would be achieved by requiring the head of each State  
21 department, agency or commission in the Executive Branch to  
22 conduct a comprehensive review of all licensing procedures that  
23 concern the businesses or commercial enterprises regulated by the  
24 government entity. The review is to include: 1) recommendations  
25 and explanations by the head thereof as to which specific licensing  
26 procedures should be revised, simplified or eliminated; 2) an  
27 assessment of the probable impact on the government entity of  
28 adopting each recommended change on businesses, commercial  
29 enterprises and the general public; and 3) the identification of those  
30 rules, regulations and statutes administered by the department,  
31 agency or commission that would need to be revised, simplified or  
32 eliminated.

33 After due consideration of the reviews, the Governor would: 1)  
34 direct the head of each State department, agency or commission in  
35 the Executive Branch to make such changes to the licensing  
36 procedures that concern the businesses or commercial enterprises  
37 regulated by the department, agency or commission as may be  
38 possible to make, pursuant to current rules, regulations and statutes;  
39 2) issue such Executive Orders as the Governor believes appropriate  
40 to effectuate those parts of the review as the Governor deems  
41 necessary; and 3) seek changes in the statutory law that would  
42 revise, simplify or eliminate those statutes necessary to effectuate  
43 those parts of the review the Governor deems necessary.