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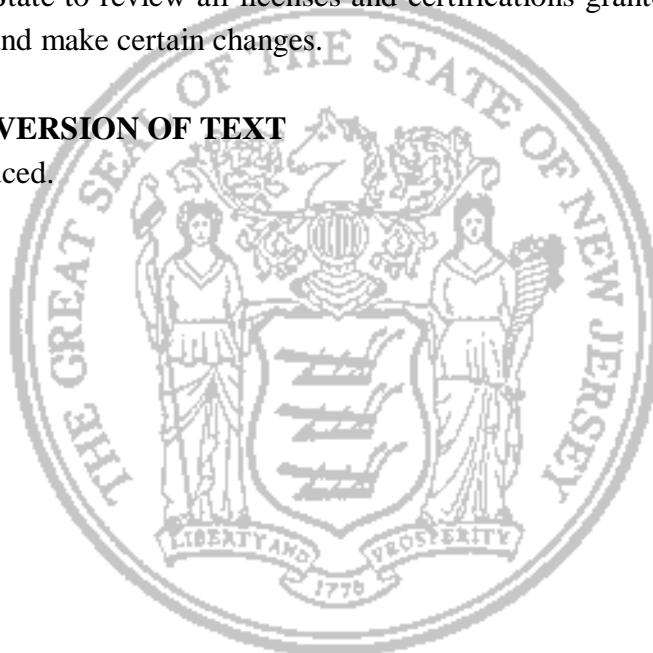
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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires State to review all licenses and certifications granted 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 licenses and certifications  
2 granted thereby and make certain changes.

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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. a. The head of each State department, agency or  
8 commission in the Executive Branch shall, within 30 days after the  
9 effective date of P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this  
10 bill), conduct a comprehensive, written review of all licenses and  
11 certifications granted by the department, agency or commission for  
12 the purpose of: (1) identifying those licenses and certifications, both  
13 current and future ones, that can have their current period of  
14 validity extended one or more years beyond the scheduled  
15 termination date without significant disruption to the efficiency or  
16 work of the State department, agency or commission issuing the  
17 license or certification, or endangering public safety; and (2)  
18 reforming the procedures necessary to secure such licenses and  
19 certifications in a way that reduces the amount of time and costs  
20 required of businesses, commercial enterprises, and the general  
21 public.

22 The review shall include: (1) recommendations and explanations  
23 by the head of a State department, agency or commission in the  
24 Executive Branch as to which specific licenses and certifications  
25 granted thereby currently in effect and issued in the future can have  
26 their period of validity extended one or more years beyond the  
27 current scheduled termination date to effectuate the purpose of the  
28 review; (2) an assessment of the probable impact of adopting each  
29 recommended change on the department, agency or commission,  
30 and on businesses, commercial enterprises and the general public;  
31 and (3) the identification of those rules, regulations and statutes  
32 administered by the department, agency or commission that would  
33 need to be revised, simplified or eliminated to effectuate the  
34 purpose of the review.

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

39 b. After due consideration of the reviews, the Governor shall:  
40 (1) direct the head of each State department, agency or commission  
41 in the Executive Branch to make, pursuant to current rules,  
42 regulations and statutes, such changes to extend existing and future  
43 licenses and certifications granted by the department, agency or  
44 commission as may be possible to make without significant  
45 disruption to the efficiency or work of the State department, agency  
46 or commission, or endangering public safety to effectuate those  
47 parts of the review the Governor deems necessary; (2) issue such  
48 Executive Orders as the Governor believes appropriate to effectuate

1 those parts of the review the Governor deems necessary; and (3)  
2 seek from the Legislature changes in the statutory law that would  
3 revise, simplify or eliminate those statutes necessary to effectuate  
4 those parts of the review the Governor deems necessary.

5 c. The head of each State Department, agency or commission  
6 in the Executive Branch shall promulgate such temporary rules and  
7 regulations, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act,"  
8 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), and perform such duties, as  
9 the head of the department, agency or commission may deem  
10 necessary to effectuate the changes sought by the Governor that  
11 result from the review provided for by subsection a. of this section.

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13 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire on the  
14 first day of the 24th month following its effective date.

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17 STATEMENT

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19 The purpose of this bill is to: 1) identify those State-issued  
20 licenses and certifications, both current and future ones, that can  
21 have their current period of validity extended one or more years  
22 beyond the current scheduled termination date without significant  
23 disruption to the efficiency or work of the State department, agency  
24 or commission issuing the license or certification, or endangering  
25 public safety; and 2) reform the procedures necessary to secure such  
26 licenses and certifications in a way that reduces the amount of time  
27 and costs required of businesses, commercial enterprises and the  
28 general public.

29 This would be achieved by requiring the head of each State  
30 department, agency or commission in the Executive Branch to  
31 conduct a comprehensive review of all licenses and certifications  
32 granted by the department, agency or commission. The review is to  
33 include: 1) recommendations and explanations by the head thereof  
34 as to which specific licenses and certifications granted thereby  
35 currently in effect and issued in the future can have their period of  
36 validity extended one or more years beyond their current scheduled  
37 termination date to effectuate the purpose of the review; 2) an  
38 assessment of the probable impact on the government entity of  
39 adopting each recommended change on businesses, commercial  
40 enterprises and the general public; and 3) the identification of those  
41 rules, regulations and statutes administered by the department,  
42 agency or commission that would need to be revised, simplified or  
43 eliminated.

44 After due consideration of the reviews, the Governor would: 1)  
45 direct the head of each State department, agency or commission in  
46 the Executive Branch to make such changes to extend existing and  
47 future licenses and certifications granted by the department, agency  
48 or commission as may be possible to make without significant

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1 disruption to the efficiency or work of the State department, agency  
2 or commission, or endangering public safety; 2) issue such  
3 Executive Orders as the Governor believes appropriate to effectuate  
4 those parts of the review the Governor deems necessary; and 3)  
5 seek changes in the statutory law that would revise, simplify or  
6 eliminate those statutes necessary to effectuate those parts of the  
7 review the Governor deems necessary.