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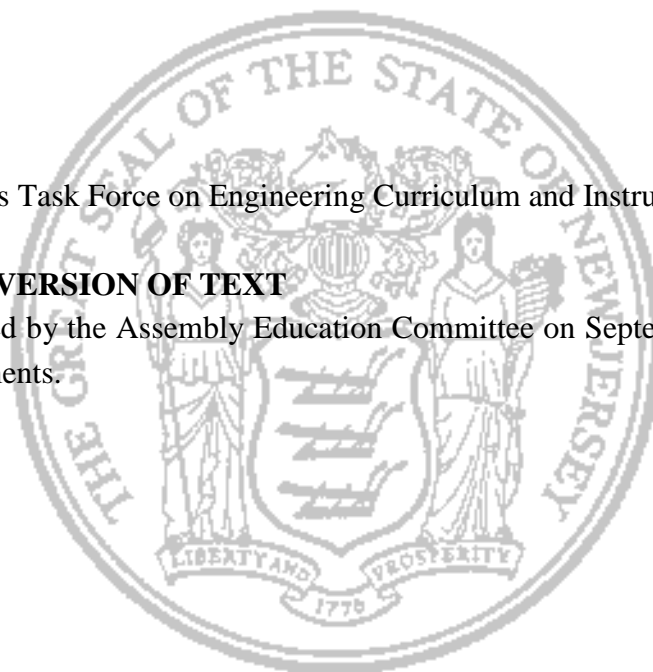
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SYNOPSIS

Establishes Task Force on Engineering Curriculum and Instruction.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on September 22, 2014,
with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/26/2015)

1 AN ACT establishing the Task Force on Engineering Curriculum
2 and Instruction.

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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. There is established in the Department of Education a Task
8 Force on Engineering Curriculum and Instruction. The task force
9 shall consist of ¹~~nine~~ 10¹ members, including the Commissioner
10 of Education, or a designee, and ¹~~eight~~ nine¹ public members
11 appointed by the Governor as follows: one representative each from
12 the New Jersey School Boards Association, the New Jersey
13 Education Association, ¹the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors
14 Association,¹ and the New Jersey Parent Teacher Association; a
15 representative of an engineering program at a public institution of
16 higher education; a representative of an engineering program at an
17 independent institution of higher education; a representative of a
18 nonprofit organization that provides science education
19 programming in the public schools; and two representatives from
20 New Jersey-based engineering, science, and technology businesses.

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22 2. It shall be the duty of the task force to make recommendations
23 to the State Board of Education on how to incorporate engineering
24 curriculum into the K-12 science curriculum. The task force shall
25 review the Next Generation Science Standards in its efforts to develop
26 innovative ways to teach engineering to public school students.

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28 3. Appointments to the task force shall be made within 30 days
29 of the effective date of this act. Vacancies in the membership of the
30 task force shall be filled in the same manner as the original
31 appointments were made. Members of the task force shall serve
32 without compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for
33 expenses actually incurred in the performance of their duties within
34 the limits of funds made available to the task force for its purposes.

35 The task force shall hold its initial organizational meeting as soon
36 as practicable, but no later than 30 days following the appointment of
37 the members.

38 The task force shall choose a chairperson from among its members
39 and shall appoint a secretary who need not be a member of the task
40 force.

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42 4. Staff and related support services shall be provided to the
43 task force by the Department of Education. The task force shall

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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:

¹Assembly AED committee amendments adopted September 22, 2014.

1 also be entitled to call to its assistance and avail itself of the
2 services of the employees of any State, county or municipal
3 department, board, bureau, commission or agency as it may require
4 and as may be available to it for its purposes.

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6 5. The task force shall issue a final report of its findings and
7 recommendations, including any recommended legislation, to the
8 Governor, the State Board of Education, and to the Legislature
9 pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), no later
10 than one year after its organizational meeting.

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12 6. This act shall take effect immediately and the task force
13 shall expire 30 days after the submission of its final report.