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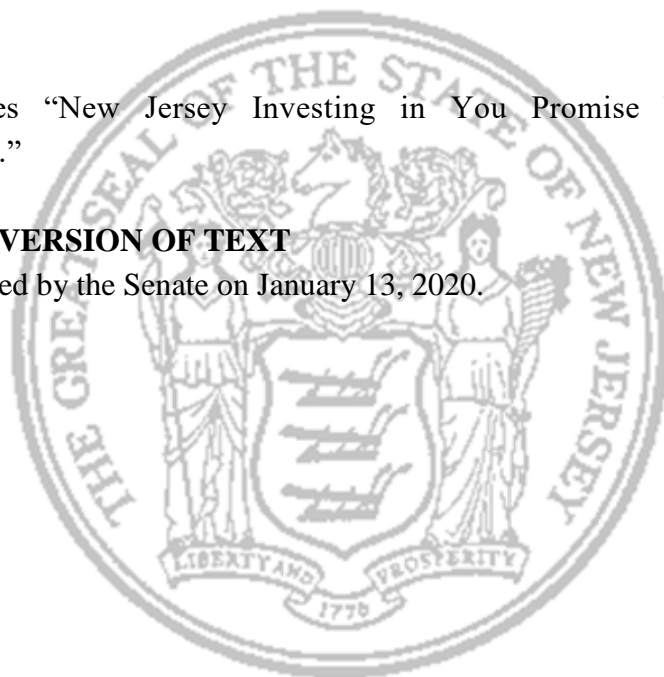
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**SYNOPSIS**

Establishes “New Jersey Investing in You Promise Neighborhood Commission.”

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As amended by the Senate on January 13, 2020.



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1 AN ACT establishing the <sup>1</sup>**["New Jersey Investing in You Promise**  
2 **Neighborhood Commission,"** and making an appropriation.]  
3 "New Jersey Investing in You Promise Neighborhood  
4 Commission."<sup>1</sup>  
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6 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
7 *of New Jersey:*  
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9 1. There is established the "New Jersey Investing in You  
10 Promise Neighborhood Commission," to examine the effect of  
11 poverty on the development of the children in the State's most  
12 fiscally distressed urban and rural areas, and to develop  
13 recommendations about how local nonprofits, civic organizations,  
14 religious institutions, and institutions of higher education in the  
15 State can help to support and improve the lives of children living in  
16 these areas.

17 The commission shall consist of 20 members, as follows:

18 a member of the New Jersey Senate, to be named by the  
19 President of the Senate;

20 a member of the New Jersey General Assembly, to be named by  
21 the Speaker of the General Assembly;

22 the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;

23 the Secretary of Higher Education, or the secretary's designee;

24 a representative of the Housing and Community Development  
25 Network of New Jersey;

26 the Mayor of Newark, or the mayor's designee;

27 the Mayor of Camden, or the mayor's designee;

28 the Mayor of Trenton, or the mayor's designee;

29 the Mayor of Paterson, or the mayor's designee;

30 the Mayor of Vineland, or the mayor's designee;

31 a representative of the Promise Neighborhood in Newark;

32 a representative of the Promise Neighborhood in Camden;

33 the Executive Director of the Paterson Housing Authority, or the  
34 executive director's designee;

35 the Executive Director of PolicyLink, or the Executive Director's  
36 designee;

37 the Executive Director of the Harlem Children's Zone, or the  
38 executive director's designee;

39 the President of Thomas Edison State College, or the president's  
40 designee;

41 the President of the College of New Jersey, or the president's  
42 designee;

43 the President of Rowan University, or the president's designee;

44 the Chancellor of Rutgers University -Newark, or the  
45 chancellor's designee; and

**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:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly AHO committee amendments adopted December 5, 2019.

<sup>2</sup>Senate floor amendments adopted January 13, 2020.

1 the President of Passaic County Community College, or the  
2 president's designee.

3 Appointments to the commission shall be made within 30 days of  
4 the effective date of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the  
5 Legislature as this bill). Vacancies in the membership of the  
6 commission shall be filled in the same manner as the original  
7 appointments were made.

8 Members of the commission shall serve without compensation  
9 but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the  
10 performance of their duties within the limits of funds made  
11 available to the commission for its purposes.

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13 2. a. The commission shall organize as soon as practicable, but  
14 not later than 30 days after the appointment of its members. The  
15 commission shall select a chairperson from among its members, and  
16 shall appoint a secretary, who need not be a member of the  
17 commission.

18 b. The <sup>2</sup>**【Office of Legislative Services】** Department of  
19 Community Affairs<sup>2</sup> shall provide such staff and related support  
20 services as the commission may require to carry out its work. The  
21 commission also shall be entitled to call to its assistance, and avail  
22 itself of the services of, the employees of any State, county, or  
23 municipal department, board, bureau, commission, or agency as it  
24 may require and as may be available to it for its purposes.

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26 3. It shall be the duty of the commission to:

27 a. Analyze the current status of the State's two federally-  
28 designated Promise Neighborhoods, located in Newark and  
29 Camden, and the impact of those Promise Neighborhoods on the  
30 residents of those municipalities, and to create a report describing  
31 its successes, identifying areas in which the program needs to  
32 improve, determining whether it is possible to expand the program  
33 to other municipalities in the State, and if so, identifying funding  
34 that would be available to do so;

35 b. Create a master action plan to expand the number of Promise  
36 Neighborhoods in the State by <sup>1</sup>**【2017】** January 1, 2021<sup>1</sup>, with a  
37 focus on Trenton, Paterson, and Vineland. The plan shall outline  
38 the strategies and target the logistics specific to the expansion  
39 throughout the State of the program; and

40 c. Design a plan for the creation of a Promise Neighborhood  
41 that will replicate, guide, and provide technical assistance for all  
42 programs throughout the State, and a plan for the efficient use of  
43 federal or State funds that may be allocated for the expansion of the  
44 Promise Neighborhood Initiative in New Jersey.

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46 4. The commission shall issue a report of its findings and  
47 recommendations concerning the study described in section 3 of  
48 this act, to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the

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1 Speaker of the General Assembly, no later than 12 months after the  
2 commission organizes.

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4 <sup>1</sup>**[5.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the “New  
5 Jersey Investing in You Promise Neighborhood Commission,”  
6 established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending  
7 before the Legislature as this bill), the sum of \$2,000,000 to be  
8 credited to the commission to effectuate the provisions of  
9 P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).**]**<sup>1</sup>  
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11 <sup>1</sup>**[6.]** 5.<sup>1</sup> This act shall take effect immediately and the  
12 commission shall expire on the 30th day next following the  
13 submission of its report.