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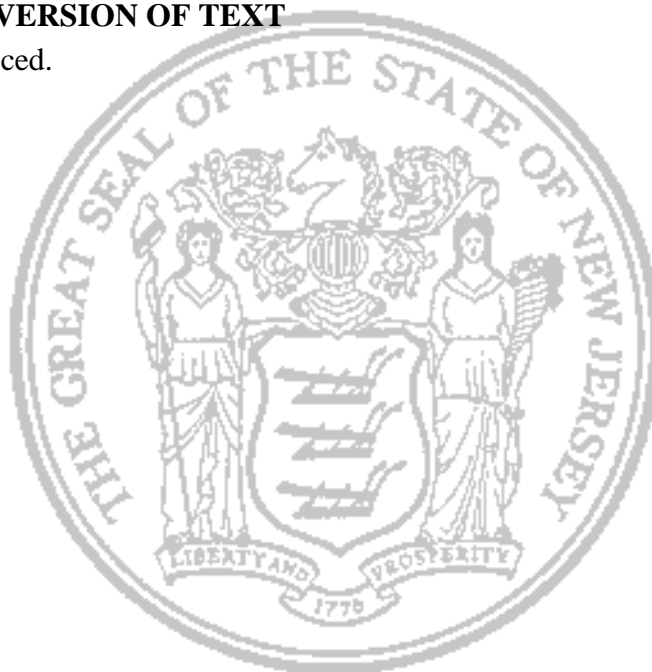
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SYNOPSIS

Permits certain firefighter training courses to be taken online; requires tests for courses to be taken in person.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning firefighter training courses and supplementing
2 Title 52 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. a. A person shall be permitted to take the courses required
8 to obtain a firefighter 1 certification, as prescribed by the director,
9 in an online format. This provision shall not apply to any practical
10 courses including, but not limited to, the following:

11 (1) Turnout Gear & SCBA Orientation Practical;

12 (2) Forcible Entry Practical;

13 (3) Vent Practical;

14 (4) Rope and Knot Lecture & Practical;

15 (5) Rope and Knot Practical 2;

16 (6) Mask Confidence Practical;

17 (7) Hose Practical 1;

18 (8) Hose Practical 2;

19 (9) Hose Practical 3;

20 (10)Hose Practical 4;

21 (11)Fire Attack Practical 1;

22 (12)Fire Attack Practical 2;

23 (13)Fire Attack Practical 3;

24 (14)Sprinkler & Standpipe Practical;

25 (15) Portable Extinguisher Lecture & Practical;

26 (16)Motor Vehicle Fire Practical;

27 (17)Ladder 1;

28 (18)Ladder 2;

29 (19)Ladder 3;

30 (20)JPR Review;

31 (21)Search & Rescue Practical 1 Orientation;

32 (22)Search & Rescue Practical 2 Cold Search;

33 (23)Search & Rescue Practical 3 Hot Search;

34 (24)Search with TIC & Lifeline; and

35 (25)Flashover.

36 b. A person shall be required to take all tests for the courses
37 required to obtain a firefighter 1 certification, as prescribed by the
38 director, in person regardless of whether the courses are taken in
39 person or in an online format.

40 c. As used in this act, “director” means the Director of the
41 Division of Fire Safety in the Department of Community Affairs.

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43 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh
44 month after enactment, but the Commissioner of Community
45 Affairs may take any administrative action in advance of the
46 effective date as may be necessary.

STATEMENT

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This bill permits certain firefighter training courses to be taken online. However, the bill requires that the tests for the courses be taken in person.

Specifically, under the provisions of this bill, a person is permitted to take the courses required to obtain a firefighter 1 certification, as prescribed by the Director of the Division of Fire Safety in the Department of Community Affairs, in an online format. This provision, however, does not apply to any practical courses including, but not limited to: Turnout Gear & SCBA Orientation Practical; Forcible Entry Practical; Vent Practical; Rope and Knot Lecture & Practical; Rope and Knot Practical 2; Mask Confidence Practical; Hose Practical 1; Hose Practical 2; Hose Practical 3; Hose Practical 4; Fire Attack Practical 1; Fire Attack Practical 2; Fire Attack Practical 3; Sprinkler & Standpipe Practical; Portable Extinguisher Lecture & Practical; Motor Vehicle Fire Practical; Ladder 1; Ladder 2; Ladder 3; JPR Review; Search & Rescue Practical 1 Orientation; Search & Rescue Practical 2 Cold Search; Search & Rescue Practical 3 Hot Search; Search with TIC & Lifeline; and Flashover.

The bill requires a person to take all tests for the courses required to obtain a firefighter 1 certification in person regardless of whether the courses are taken in person or in an online format.