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SYNOPSIS

Requires Civil Service Commission establish standardize recordkeeping and retention requirements with regard to unclassified State employees.



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AN ACT concerning recordkeeping and retention requirements of
 the Civil Service Commission on unclassified State employees,
 and amending N.J.S.11A:2-11 and supplementing Title 11A of
 the Revised Statues.

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

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9 1. (New section) a. The Civil Service Commission, in 10 consultation with the Bureau of Records Management in the Department of the Treasury and in accordance with federal and 11 12 State law and regulation, shall promulgate rules and regulations 13 concerning recordkeeping and record retention requirements related 14 to the recruitment, selection, hiring, and employment records of 15 persons in the State's unclassified service. The recordkeeping and 16 record retention requirements shall include, at minimum, written 17 and electronic records concerning job advertisements, job 18 applications, resumes, background checks, screening tools and tests, interview notes and other records related to the decisions to hire or 19 20 not hire a person, and records related to job title and compensation, 21 reasonable accommodation requests, training, promotions, 22 demotions, transfers, performance evaluations, disciplinary actions, 23 and terminations.

b. A personnel form shall be completed and maintained for
each unclassified State employee. At minimum, the personnel form
shall include the following information:

27 (1) the name of the unclassified employee;

28 (2) the job title of unclassified employee;

29 (3) direct supervisor or manager;

30 (4) salary history;

31 (5) date of employment offer;

32 (7) date of hire;

33 (8) the individual authorizing the hire or change of employment34 status; and

35 (9) any notes on promotions, demotions, transfers, performance
36 evaluations, disciplinary actions, and terminations.

Personnel forms shall be revised as needed to reflect any
subsequent change or modification in the unclassified employee's
employment status, salary, direct supervisor or manager, or legal
name.

c. The recruitment, selection, hiring, and employment records
of unclassified employees in any State agency shall be compiled by
the human resources office, or an equivalent entity, of that State
agency. Information from such records shall be provided to the
Civil Service Commission upon request for recordkeeping and data
collection purposes.

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 <u>thus</u> is new matter.

1 2. N.J.S.11A:2-11 is amended to read as follows: 2 11A:2-11. Powers and duties of the commission. In addition to 3 other powers and duties vested in the commission by this title or 4 any other law, the commission: 5 a. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.2008, c.29); May appoint employees necessary to enforce or implement 6 b. 7 the provisions of this title. All employees of the commission whose principal duties relate to the enforcement or implementation of this 8 9 title shall be confidential employees for the purposes of the "New 10 Jersey Employer-Employee Relations Act," P.L.1941, c.100 11 (C.34:13A-1 et seq.); 12 c. Shall maintain a management information system necessary 13 to carry out the provisions of this title; d. Shall have the authority to audit payrolls, reports or 14 15 transactions for conformity with the provisions of this title; 16 Shall plan, evaluate, administer and implement personnel e. 17 programs and policies in State government and political 18 subdivisions operating under this title; Shall establish and supervise the selection process and 19 f. 20 employee performance evaluation procedures; 21 g. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.2008, c.29); 22 h. Shall set standards and procedures for review and render the 23 final administrative decision on a written record or after 24 recommendation by an independent reviewer assigned by the 25 commission from classification, salary, layoff rights and in the State 26 service noncontractual grievances; 27 May establish pilot programs and other projects for a i. maximum of one year outside of the provisions of this title; 28 29 Shall provide for a public employee interchange program j. pursuant to the "Government Employee Interchange Act of 1967," 30 31 P.L.1967, c.77 (C.52:14-6.10 et seq.) and may provide for an 32 employee interchange program between public and private sector 33 employees; 34 k. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.2008, c.29); 35 (Deleted by amendment, P.L.2008, c.29); 1. 36 m. Shall establish and consult with advisory boards representing 37 political subdivisions, personnel officers, labor organizations and 38 other appropriate groups; 39 n. Shall make an annual report to the Governor and Legislature 40 and all other special or periodic reports as may be required. The 41 annual report shall indicate the number of persons, by title, who, on 42 March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31 of each year, held appointments to positions in the senior executive service and 43 44 the number of noncareer employees by title, who, on those same 45 dates, held appointments in positions in the senior executive 46 service; [and] 47 o. Shall have the authority to assess costs for special or other

48 services;

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p. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.2008, c.29) [.] ; and 1 2 q. Shall, pursuant to P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the 3 Legislature as this bill), promulgate standardized recordkeeping and 4 record retention requirements concerning the recruitment, selection, 5 hiring, and employment records of persons in the State unclassified 6 service. 7 (cf: P.L.2008, c.29, s.8) 8 9 3. This act shall take effect immediately. 10 11 12 **STATEMENT** 13 This bill requires the Civil Service Commission, in consultation 14 15 with the Bureau of Records Management in the Department of the Treasury and in accordance with federal and State law and 16 17 regulation, to promulgate rules and regulations concerning 18 recordkeeping and record retention requirements related to the 19 recruitment, selection, hiring, and employment records of persons in the State unclassified service. 20 The recordkeeping and record 21 retention requirements will include, at minimum, written records 22 advertisements, job concerning job applications, resumes, 23 background checks, screening tools and tests, interview notes, and 24 records related to job title and compensation, training, reasonable 25 accommodations requests, promotions, demotions, transfers, 26 performance evaluations, disciplinary actions, and terminations. 27 A personnel form will be completed and maintained for each 28 unclassified State employee. At minimum, the personnel form will 29 include the following information: 30 (1) the name of the unclassified employee; 31 (2) the job title of unclassified employee; 32 (3) direct supervisor or manager; 33 (4) salary history; 34 (5) date of employment offer; 35 (7)date of hire; 36 (8) the individual authorizing the hire or change of employment 37 status; and 38 (9) any notes on promotions, demotions, transfers, performance 39 evaluations, disciplinary actions, and terminations. 40 Personnel forms will be revised when needed to reflect any 41 changes in the unclassified employee's employment status, salary, 42 direct supervisor or manager, or legal name. 43 The recruitment, selection, hiring, and employment records of 44 unclassified employees in any State agency will be compiled by the 45 human resources office, or an equivalent entity, of that State agency. Information for such records will be provided to the Civil 46 47 Service Commission upon request for recordkeeping and data 48 collection purposes.