SENATE, No. 602

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Concerns high performance green building standards for certain State buildings.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1	AN ACT concerning high performance green building standards for
2	certain State buildings and amending P.L.2007, c.269.
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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. Section 1 of P.L.2007, c.269 (C.52:32-5.3) is amended to
8	read as follows:
9	1. As used in this act:
10	"High performance green building" means a building that is
11	designed and constructed in a manner that achieves at least:
12	a. a [silver] LEED v4 rating according to the Leadership in
13	Energy and Environmental Design Green Building Rating System
14	as adopted by the United States Green Building Council;
15	b. a two globe rating according to the Green Globes Program as
16	adopted by the Green Building Initiative; or
17	c. a comparable numeric rating according to a nationally
18	recognized, accepted, and appropriate numeric sustainable
19	development rating system, guideline, or standard as the
20	Commissioner of Community Affairs, in consultation with the
21	Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Director of Energy
22	Savings established pursuant to Executive Order No.11 of 2006,
23	and the Board of Public Utilities, may designate by regulation.
24	A "high performance green building" shall not mean any free-
25	standing parking facility, multiple use maintenance facility or
26	storage facility.
27	"State governmental entity" means the Executive, Legislative
28	and Judicial branches of the State government, any agency or
29	instrumentality of the State, including any board, bureau,
30	commission, corporation, department, or division, any independent
31	State authority, and any State institution of higher education. A
32	county, municipality, or school district, or any agency or
33	instrumentality thereof, shall not be deemed a State governmental
34	entity.
35	(cf: P.L.2007, c.269, s.1)
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37	2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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This bill would amend current law to update the definition of the term "high performance green building" to the most recent rating according to the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

44 Green Building Rating System as adopted by the United States 45

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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- 1 Green Building Council. Under that law, only new buildings
- 2 having at least 15,000 square feet in total floor area that is to be
- 3 constructed for the sole use of a State government entity must be
- 4 designed and managed to meet standards for a high performance
- 5 green building.
- 6 The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Green
- 7 Building Rating System is an effort to rate how the building
- 8 industry and the public consider sustainability in real estate. The
- 9 most recent update is known as v4, which is the new standard for
- 10 high-performance green buildings worldwide.