

ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2922

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 17, 2019

The Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2922.

This bill revises the standard governing when the presence of the Chief State Medical Examiner, Deputy Chief State medical Examiner, county or intercounty medical examiner, or assistant county or intercounty medical examiner, as applicable, is required during removal of an anatomical gift from a donor whose death is under investigation pursuant to the “Revised State Medical Examiner Act.” The law currently requires that the medical examiner be present if, in the medical examiner’s judgment, his presence is deemed necessary. The bill requires that the medical examiner be present during the removal of an anatomical gift when in the medical examiner’s judgment “those tissues or organs may be involved in the cause of death.”

As reported by the committee, Senate Bill No. 2922 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4504 which was reported by the committee on this date.