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## SYNOPSIS

Requires health care facilities to report certain coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) data related to health care workers and certain first responders.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 7/28/2020)

AN ACT concerning data reporting related to the coronavirus 2 disease 2019 pandemic.

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

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7 1. a. (1) The Commissioner of Health shall require general 8 acute care hospitals, special hospitals, ambulatory care facilities, 9 ambulatory surgical centers, and nursing homes licensed pursuant to 10 P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.) to report to the Department of 11 Health data on the number of health care professionals, ancillary 12 health care workers, and emergency medical services personnel 13 affiliated with the facility who: tested positive for the coronavirus 14 disease 2019; died from the coronavirus disease 2019; and were 15 admitted for treatment for the coronavirus disease 2019.

(2) The commissioner shall compile the data reported pursuant 16 17 to this subsection by facility type and by professional license or 18 certification type, if any, or by job title or category.

19 b. The department shall publish on its Internet website the 20 occupational data received pursuant to subsection a. of this 21 section. The department shall update its Internet website on a daily 22 basis by publishing the latest data received by the department 23 pursuant to subsection a. of this section. To the extent possible, the 24 data reported by the department pursuant to this subsection may be 25 merged and cross-referenced with the data published by the 26 department pursuant to subsection b. of section 1 of P.L.2020, c.28.

This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire one 28 2. 29 month after the end of both the state of emergency and the public 30 health emergency declared in response to the coronavirus disease 31 2019 pandemic ..

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## **STATEMENT**

36 This bill establishes certain reporting requirements for health care facilities with regard to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-37 38 19) for certain health care workers.

39 Specifically, general acute care hospitals, special hospitals, 40 ambulatory care facilities, ambulatory surgical centers, and nursing 41 homes will be required to report to the Department of Health 42 (DOH) data on the number of health care professionals, ancillary 43 health care workers, and emergency medical services personnel 44 affiliated with the facility who: tested positive for COVID-19; died 45 from COVID-19; and were admitted for treatment for COVID-

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19. The reported data is to be compiled by facility type and by
 professional license or certification type, if any, or by job title or
 category.

The DOH will be required to publish on its Internet website the occupational data received under the bill, which data is to be updated daily. To the extent possible, the data reported by the department may be merged and cross-referenced with the demographic data published by the department pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2020, c.28.

The bill will expire one month after the end of both the state of
emergency and the public health emergency declared in response to
the COVID-19 pandemic.