

SENATE, No. 2814

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
219th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Makes failure to wear mask upon entry into store with posted signage trespass offense during period of public emergency declared by Governor in Executive Order 103 of 2020.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the offense of trespass during public health
2 emergency declared by Executive Order 103 of 2020.

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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. During the public health emergency and state of emergency
8 declared by the Governor in Executive Order 103 of 2020, a person
9 commits a petty disorderly persons offense if, knowing that he is
10 not licensed or privileged to do so, he enters or remains in a store or
11 mercantile retail establishment as to which notice against trespass is
12 given by signage posted that is visible and unobstructed which
13 requires that any person entering the premises of a store or retail
14 mercantile establishment must be wearing a mask and a person does
15 not wear a mask.

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17 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire upon
18 the expiration of the state of emergency declared by the Governor in
19 Executive Order 103 of 2020.

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STATEMENT

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24 This bill provides that during the public health emergency and
25 state of emergency declared by the Governor in Executive Order
26 103 of 2020, a person commits a petty disorderly persons offense if,
27 knowing that he is not licensed or privileged to do so, he enters or
28 remains in a store or mercantile retail establishment as to which
29 notice against trespass is given by signage that is visible and
30 unobstructed which requires that any person entering the premises
31 of a store or retail mercantile establishment must be wearing a mask
32 is posted and a person does not wear a mask. A petty disorderly
33 persons offense is punishable by up to 30 days imprisonment, a fine
34 of up to \$500, or both.