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SYNOPSIS

Requires DOLWD to take measures to ensure One-Stop Career Centers reopen immediately and remain open during public health emergency.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning operations at One-Stop Career Centers.

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

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6 1. a. For the duration of the public health emergency and state
7 of emergency declared on March 9, 2020 by the Governor, pursuant
8 to Executive Order No. 103 and extended, where applicable, by
9 subsequent executive orders the Commissioner of the New Jersey
10 Department of Labor and Workforce Development shall take all
11 measures necessary to ensure that a One-Stop Career Center reopen
12 immediately and remain open and ensure that the department and its
13 agencies continue to provide services to individuals, including, but
14 not limited to, assistance with unemployment insurance and the
15 resolution of unemployment claims. If the commissioner determines
16 that the temporary closure of a One-Stop Career Center is
17 necessary, the department shall provide reasonable alternatives to
18 prospective customers of that location.

19 b. On or before the 90th day following the effective date of this
20 act, the commissioner shall submit a written report to the Governor
21 and the Legislature on the measures taken in the prior 90 days to
22 comply with the provisions of this act and to prevent the temporary
23 closure of One-Stop Career Centers.

24 c. The commissioner shall re-open any One-Stop Career Center
25 that is closed on the effective date of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending
26 before the Legislature as this bill) as soon thereafter as is
27 practicable.

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29 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire at the
30 end of the public health emergency caused by the coronavirus
31 disease 2019 pandemic, either: upon the expiration of Executive
32 Order No. 103 of 2020 and any subsequent executive orders
33 extending the public health emergency; or, in the absence of a
34 rescission by the Governor, upon the termination in any other
35 manner of the declared public health emergency.

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STATEMENT

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40 This bill requires the Commissioner of the Department of Labor
41 and Workforce Development to take all measures necessary to
42 ensure that a One-Stop Career Center reopen immediately and
43 remain open and ensure that the department and its agencies
44 continue to provide services to individuals, including assistance
45 with unemployment insurance. If the commissioner determines that
46 the temporary closure of a One-Stop Career Center is necessary, the
47 department is required to provide reasonable alternatives to
48 prospective customers of that agency location. The commissioner is

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1 required to report to the Governor and Legislature on the
2 commission's efforts to prevent agency closures. The commissioner
3 is also required to re-open as soon as is practicable any One-Stop
4 Career Center closed on the effective date of this bill.