

ASSEMBLY, No. 365

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1996 SESSION

By Assemblymen **HOLZAPFEL** and **WOLFE**

1 AN ACT concerning State police powers conferred on federal officers
2 and amending P.L.1983, c.268.

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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.1983, c.268 (C.2A:154-5) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 1. The following persons employed as full-time law enforcement
10 officers by the Federal Government, who are empowered to effect an
11 arrest with or without warrant for violations of the United States Code
12 and who are authorized to carry firearms in the performance of their
13 duties, shall be empowered to act as an officer for the arrest of
14 offenders against the laws of this State where the person reasonably
15 believes that a crime of the first, second or third degree is or is about
16 to be committed or attempted in his presence:

17 Federal Bureau of Investigation special agents;

18 United States Secret Service special agents;

19 Immigration and Naturalization Service special agents, investigators
20 and patrol officers;

21 United States Marshal Service deputies;

22 Drug Enforcement Administration special agents;

23 United States Postal inspectors;

24 United States Customs Service special agents, inspectors and patrol
25 officers;

26 United States General Services Administration special agents;

27 United States Department of Agriculture special agents;

28 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms special agents;

29 Internal Revenue Service special agents and inspectors;

30 United States Armed forces police officers and civilian police
31 officers employed by the Department of Defense.

32 (cf: P.L.1983, c.268, s.1)

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 2. This act shall take effect thirty days following enactment.

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STATEMENT

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6 This bill would extend to members of the armed forces and
7 Department of Defense police the power to enforce the laws of this
8 State in certain circumstances. This power is currently granted to
9 specifically enumerated federal law enforcement officers. The bill
10 would extend this power to armed forces police including military
11 services police and civilian police hired by the United States
12 Department of Defense.

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18 Grants State police powers to armed forces and Department of
Defense Police.