

ASSEMBLY, No. 1003

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

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By Assemblymen MORAN and CONNORS

1 AN ACT concerning undocumented aliens and supplementing Title 34  
2 of the Revised Statutes.

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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. There is established within the Department of Labor a Council  
8 on Undocumented Aliens which shall consist of 14 public members and  
9 the commissioner, ex officio, or his designee, as chair, not more than  
10 eight of whom shall be of the same political affiliation. Of the 14  
11 public members, two shall be appointed by the President of the Senate  
12 and two shall be appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly,  
13 two shall be representatives of nonprofit agencies providing services  
14 to immigrants, two shall be representatives of organized labor, two  
15 shall be representatives of employers, two shall be representatives of  
16 regulated professions and two shall be representatives of urban cities.  
17 With the exception of those public members appointed by the  
18 President of the Senate of the General Assembly, each public member  
19 of the council shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and  
20 consent of the Senate, and shall serve until the council ceases to exist  
21 as provided in section 4 of this act.

22 Any vacancies in the membership of the council occurring prior to  
23 the dissolution of the council shall be filled by the Governor, with the  
24 advice and consent of the Senate, for the unexpired term only. Any  
25 member of the council may be removed from office by the Governor,  
26 for cause, upon notice and opportunity to be heard.

27 The members of the council shall serve without compensation but  
28 shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance  
29 of their duties.

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31 2. The council shall be responsible for:

32 a. Making a study of the undocumented alien population in this  
33 State, including, but not limited to:

34 (1) An estimate of whether the number of undocumented aliens in  
35 this State is increasing, decreasing or relatively stable;

1 (2) A determination of the source countries from which  
2 undocumented aliens have come and paths of entry into and exit from  
3 the State, including a finding as to whether there is a one way stream  
4 or a back and forth flow from the source countries;

5 (3) Factors which are considered attractors for undocumented  
6 aliens;

7 (4) Factors which maintain the presence of undocumented aliens  
8 once in this State; and

9 (5) A determination of the impact of the presence of undocumented  
10 aliens on the employment opportunities of persons legally resident in  
11 this State.

12 b. Providing advice and recommendations to the department and  
13 the Legislature for remedial action or legislation, or both, as  
14 appropriate, with respect to the impact of undocumented aliens on  
15 employment opportunities for those legally resident within this State.

16 c. Reviewing any relevant matters submitted to it by other persons  
17 or entities.

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19 3. The Council may:

20 a. Hold public meetings or hearings within the State on any matter  
21 or matters related to the provisions of this act.

22 b. Call to its assistance and avail itself of the services of such  
23 employees of any State, county or municipal department, board,  
24 commission, or agency as may be required and made available for its  
25 purposes.

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27 4. Three years from the date the council first meets, the council  
28 shall submit to the commissioner and the Legislature a report  
29 summarizing its activities, findings and recommendations. Upon the  
30 transmittal of this report, the council shall cease to exist, unless  
31 otherwise determined by enactment of subsequent legislation.

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33 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

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38 This bill establishes a Council on Undocumented Aliens in the  
39 Department of Labor. The council is responsible for: making a study  
40 of various aspects of the undocumented alien population in the State,  
41 including, but not limited to, the impact of this population on the  
42 employment opportunities of persons legally resident in this State; and  
43 recommending remedial action or legislation to the department or  
44 Legislature, or both, as appropriate, with respect to the findings of the  
45 council.

46 The bill provides that the council is made up of 14 public members

1 and the Commissioner of Labor, ex officio, or his designee, as chair.  
2 Public members are to be representative of various segments of the  
3 State. Of the public members, two are to be appointed by the  
4 President of the Senate, two by the Speaker of the Assembly and 10  
5 by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

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10 Establishes Council on Undocumented Aliens in Department of Labor.