

ASSEMBLY, No. 1365

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblyman STUHLTRAGER

1 AN ACT requiring employers to provide certain employees with  
2 workers' compensation accident reports and amending  
3 R.S.34:15-96.

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

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8 1. R.S.34:15-96 is amended to read as follows:

9 34:15-96. Every employer carrying insurance as required by  
10 [article 5 of this chapter (R.S.34:15-70 et seq.)] R.S.34:15-70 et seq. shall  
11 make report in accordance with the terms of his insurance policy upon  
12 the happening of any accident or the occurrence of any compensable  
13 occupational disease in his establishment. Such report shall be  
14 prepared in triplicate upon a form, designated as "first notice of  
15 accident", to be furnished by the insurance carrier. One copy shall be  
16 sent to the [department of labor] Department of Labor, one copy to  
17 the insurance carrier, and one copy shall be kept on file by the  
18 employer. A supplemental report shall be prepared on a form  
19 designated as "supplemental report", and sent in like manner, at the  
20 expiration of the waiting period prescribed by [section] R.S.34:15-14  
21 [of this title]. If, however, the employee is able to resume work  
22 before the expiration of the waiting period, the supplemental report  
23 shall be sent immediately upon his return. Thereafter the employer  
24 shall promptly furnish the carrier the information demanded and  
25 necessary to enable it to carry out the intent of this chapter. These  
26 reports on the first notice and supplemental forms, filed with the  
27 [state] State, must be signed by the employer and mailed by him  
28 directly to the [workmen's compensation bureau] Division of Workers'  
29 Compensation, as a check on the operations of the insurance company.  
30 An employer shall provide a copy of the reports required by

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 this section to an employee whose accident or occupational disease is  
2 the subject of the report.

3 (cf: R.S.34:15-96)

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5 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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10 This bill requires employers to provide a copy of the workers'  
11 compensation "first notice of accident" report and "supplemental  
12 report" to an employee whose accident or occupational disease is the  
13 subject of those reports. The workers' compensation law requires an  
14 employer to make a "first notice of accident" report upon the  
15 happening of any accident or the occurrence of any compensable  
16 occupational disease in its establishment and to make a supplemental  
17 report. Currently, the law requires employers to provide a copy of  
18 these reports to the Department of Labor, to its workers'  
19 compensation insurer, and to retain one copy on file.

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25 Requires employers to provide workers' compensation accident reports  
to certain employees.