

ASSEMBLY, No. 2160

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblyman STEELE

1 AN ACT concerning the testing of drinking water and supplementing  
2 P.L.1977, c.224 (C.58:12A-1 et seq.).

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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. Any supplier of water required to test the water supplied from  
8 a public water system pursuant to federal or State law shall annually  
9 notify each of the customers that receive water from the supplier of  
10 the results of the required water testing. The document reporting the  
11 results of the tests shall also include a list of contaminants found in  
12 the water and acceptable levels of these contaminants.

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14 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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19 This bill requires any supplier of water in the State required by  
20 federal or State law to test the water supplied from public water  
21 systems to annually notify each of the customers supplied with water  
22 of the results of the required testing and provide the customers with  
23 a list of contaminants found in water and acceptable levels of these  
24 contaminants. The term "supplier of water" is defined in the "Safe  
25 Drinking Water Act," P.L.1977, c.224 (C.58:12A-1 et seq.), as a  
26 person who owns or operates a public water system. A public water  
27 system is defined under the law as a system for the provision of piped  
28 water for human consumption with at least 15 service connections or  
29 regularly serving at least 25 individuals.

30 Similar legislation requiring notification of water test results has  
31 been introduced in Congress.

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36 Requires suppliers of water to notify customers of required water test  
37 results annually.