

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 2678**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 9, 1997

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2678.

Assembly Bill No. 2678 exempts from regulation by the State Superintendent of Weights and Measures in the Division of Consumer Affairs the timing devices that are used in commercial clothes dryers by the residents of a building in which the clothes dryers are located.

As reported, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 1892.

FISCAL IMPACT:

In a fiscal estimate prepared by the Office of Legislative Services (OLS), the OLS stated that approximately 4,300 clothes dryers, 35 percent of dryers inspected by the Division of Consumer Affairs, would be subject to the provisions of this bill. An annual fee of \$10 per dryer is charged by the Office of Weights and Measures to inspect the timing devices on these dryers. Thus, an annual revenue loss of approximately \$43,000 would result following enactment of this bill, according to the division.