

P.L. 1997, CHAPTER 405, *approved January 19, 1998*  
Assembly, No. 66

1 **AN ACT** concerning divorce and supplementing Title 2A of the New  
2 Jersey 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. a. Upon filing of a complaint for an action for divorce, nullity  
8 or separate maintenance, where the custody, visitation or support of  
9 a minor child is an issue, the party who has maintained all existing  
10 insurance coverage or coverage traditionally maintained during the  
11 marriage, including but not limited to, all health, disability, home or  
12 life insurance, shall continue to maintain or continue to share in the  
13 cost of maintaining the coverage.

14 b. If a party who has maintained the existing insurance coverage or  
15 has shared in the cost of maintaining the coverage has had a  
16 voluntarily or involuntarily change in employment status, which may  
17 cause the existing insurance coverage to terminate, then that party  
18 shall notify the other party that it may be necessary to reallocate the  
19 financial responsibilities of maintaining the coverage.

20 c. Upon receipt of this notice, the party may petition the court to  
21 reallocate financial responsibilities.

22 d. The court may take any action it deems appropriate to reallocate  
23 financial responsibilities including but not limited to ordering a party  
24 to obtain comparable coverage or releasing a party from the obligation  
25 or any other order.

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27 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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32 Requires parties in a divorce action to maintain certain insurance  
33 coverages.