

P.L. 1997, CHAPTER 87, *approved May 8, 1997*
Senate, No. 208 (*First Reprint*)

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 professions¹, two shall be representatives of minority group
17 organizations,¹ and two shall be representatives of urban cities. With
18 the exception of those public members appointed by the President of
19 the Senate and ¹the¹ Speaker of the General Assembly, each public
20 member of the council shall be appointed by the Governor, with the
21 advice and consent of the Senate, and shall serve until the council
22 ceases to exist as provided in section 4 of this act.

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

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

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly ALA committee amendments adopted February 22, 1996.

- 1 2. The council shall be responsible for:
- 2 a. Making a study of the undocumented alien population in this
- 3 State, including, but not limited to:
- 4 (1) An estimate of whether the number of undocumented aliens in
- 5 this State is increasing, decreasing or relatively stable;
- 6 (2) A determination of the source countries from which
- 7 undocumented aliens have come and paths of entry into and exit from
- 8 the State, including a finding as to whether there is a one way stream
- 9 or a back and forth flow from the source countries;
- 10 (3) Factors which are considered attractors for undocumented
- 11 aliens;
- 12 (4) Factors which maintain the presence of undocumented aliens
- 13 once in this State; and
- 14 (5) A determination of the impact of the presence of undocumented
- 15 aliens on the employment opportunities of persons legally resident in
- 16 this State.
- 17 b. Providing advice and recommendations to the department and
- 18 the Legislature for remedial action or legislation, or both, as
- 19 appropriate, with respect to the impact of undocumented aliens on
- 20 employment opportunities for those legally resident within this State.
- 21 c. Reviewing any relevant matters submitted to it by other persons
- 22 or entities.
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- 24 3. The Council may:
- 25 a. Hold public meetings or hearings within the State on any matter
- 26 or matters related to the provisions of this act.
- 27 b. Call to its assistance and avail itself of the services of such
- 28 employees of any State, county or municipal department, board,
- 29 commission, or agency as may be required and made available for its
- 30 purposes.
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- 32 4. Three years from the date the council first meets, the council
- 33 shall submit to the commissioner and the Legislature a report
- 34 summarizing its activities, findings and recommendations. Upon the
- 35 transmittal of this report, the council shall cease to exist, unless
- 36 otherwise determined by enactment of subsequent legislation.
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- 38 5. This act shall take effect immediately.
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Establishes Council on Undocumented Aliens in Department of Labor.