## SENATE, No. 1440

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

### 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 10, 2022

Sponsored by: Senator TROY SINGLETON District 7 (Burlington)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Imposes penalties for violations to "Local Public Contracts Law.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



#### **S1440** SINGLETON

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1	AN ACT concerning contracting units and qualified purchasing
2	agents and supplementing P.L.1971, c.198.
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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 contracting unit or a qualified purchasing agent who
8	violates the provisions of the "Local Public Contracts Law,"
9	P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-1 et seq.) shall be liable to a penalty of
10	not more than:
11	a. \$100 for a first offense;
12	b. \$250.00 for a second offense; and
13	c. \$500.00 for a third or subsequent offense and in the case of a
14	qualified purchasing agent, suspension of the qualified purchasing
15	agent certification.
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17	2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month
18	next following enactment, except that the Director of the Division
19	of Local Government Services in the Department of Community
20	Affairs may take any anticipatory administrative action in advance
21	as shall be necessary for the implementation of this act.
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24	STATEMENT
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26	This bill imposes penalties to contracting units and to qualified
27	purchasing agents for violating the provisions of the "Local Public
28	Contracts Law." The bill establishes that for a first offense, the
29	penalty due to the Department of Community Affairs is to be not
30	more than \$100, for a second offense not more than \$250, and for a

third or subsequent offense not more than \$500. Under the bill, a

qualified purchasing agent who makes a third violation is liable to a

penalty of not more than \$500 and suspension of certification.

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