ASSEMBLY HEALTH COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2583

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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The Assembly Health Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2583, with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill requires information on seizure first aid to be disseminated to employers.

The bill defines "seizure first aid" to mean non-medical procedures to respond, attend, and provide comfort and safety to a person suffering from a primary generalized tonic-clonic seizure or complex partial seizure.

Under the bill, the Department of Health is to create an informational pamphlet for employers on rendering seizure first aid to an individual who has suffered a seizure in the workplace. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development is to make the informational pamphlet available on its Internet website and is to additionally disseminate such information to employers in a manner to be determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development. An employer in this State may provide the information disseminated by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to employees and post the information in a prominent place within the employer's workplace.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments require the Department of Health to create an informational pamphlet for employers on rendering seizure first aid and shift the responsibility of disseminating this information from the Department of Health to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development. The amendments revise the synopsis to reflect these changes.