

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2769

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 221st LEGISLATURE

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**SYNOPSIS**

Establishes program in DOLWD to connect persons with disabilities with job training and employment.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT concerning employment and persons with disabilities and  
2 supplementing chapter 16 of Title 34 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. a. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development,  
8 in consultation with the Department of Human Services, shall  
9 establish a program to connect persons with disabilities with  
10 qualified organizations that provide job training for the disabled  
11 community and with employers that have employment needs.

12 b. The department shall establish and maintain a program in  
13 collaboration with qualified organizations. The department shall  
14 issue a request to community-based and nonprofit organizations to  
15 provide job training, education, and outreach services and prescribe  
16 requirements for qualified organizations. The qualified  
17 organizations shall be responsible for developing and consulting  
18 with the department on job training and outreach materials.

19 c. The department shall develop an online resource hub to  
20 provide information for persons with disabilities who are seeking  
21 employment or job training. The resource hub shall include a list of  
22 qualified organizations providing job training, education, and  
23 outreach services to persons with disabilities. The database shall  
24 also allow employers to post job openings. The database shall  
25 provide information on State labor laws and guidelines on fair  
26 employment.

27 d. For the purposes of this section, “qualified organization”  
28 means:

29 (1) A nonprofit organization that has a minimum of five years of  
30 experience working with persons with disabilities; or

31 (2) An organization that works with nonprofit organizations that  
32 has a minimum of five years of experience working with persons  
33 with disabilities.

34 e. The department shall issue an annual report to the Governor  
35 and Legislature, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-  
36 19.1) to review the implementation and success of the program.

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38 2. This act shall take effect on the 30th day next following  
39 enactment.

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STATEMENT

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44 This bill establishes a program in the Department of Labor and  
45 Workforce Development to connect persons with disabilities with  
46 job training and employment.

47 Specifically, the Department of Labor and Workforce  
48 Development, in consultation with the Department of Human

1 Services, is required to establish a program to connect persons with  
2 disabilities with qualified organizations that provide job training for  
3 the disabled community and with employers that have employment  
4 needs.

5 The bill requires the department to establish and maintain a  
6 program in collaboration with qualified organizations. Under the  
7 bill, a qualified organization is: (1) a nonprofit organization that  
8 has a minimum of five years of experience working with persons  
9 with disabilities; or (2) an organization that works with nonprofit  
10 organizations that has a minimum of five years of experience  
11 working with persons with disabilities.

12 The bills provides that the department shall issue a request to  
13 community-based and nonprofit organizations to provide job  
14 training, education, and outreach services and prescribe  
15 requirements for qualified organizations. The organizations shall  
16 be responsible for developing and consulting with the department  
17 on job training and outreach materials.

18 The bill also requires the development of an online resource hub  
19 to provide information for persons with disabilities who are seeking  
20 employment or job training. The resource hub shall include a list of  
21 qualified organizations providing job training, education, and  
22 outreach services to persons with disabilities. The database shall  
23 also allow employers to post job openings. The database shall  
24 provide information on State labor laws and guidelines on fair  
25 employment.

26 The bill requires the department to issue an annual report to the  
27 Governor and Legislature to review the implementation and success  
28 of the program.