

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4235

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 8, 2026

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4235.

As reported, this bill requires private detectives to register their foreign employers with the State Police.

Current federal law (18 U.S.C. s.951) requires any individual acting at the direction of a foreign government to notify the United States Attorney General. This bill also requires a licensed private detective to notify the State Police when employed by a foreign government or foreign national. This notification is in addition to any requirements under federal law.

Further, under the bill, upon issuance of a license or license renewal, the Superintendent of State Police is required to notify the licensee of the obligation to notify the State Police when employed by a foreign government or foreign national.

Finally, the bill requires the State Police to maintain a registry of private detectives licensed in this State who are employed by foreign nationals or foreign governments. The registry is available only to the Attorney General and members of the State Police.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds that the Division of State Police in the Department of Law and Public Safety will experience indeterminate annual cost increases to provide the required notification to private detectives and to establish and maintain the registry required by the bill.