

SENATE, No. 1645

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Requires annual report on New Jersey College Loans to Assist State Students (NJCLASS) Loan Program to include information on borrower delinquency and administrative wage garnishments.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Higher Education Committee with technical review.



1 AN ACT concerning the NJCLASS Loan Program and amending
2 P.L.2017, c.129.

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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. Section 1 of P.L.2017, c.129 (C.18A:71C-21.1) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 1. The authority shall annually submit to the Governor, **[and**
10 **to]** the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the General
11 Assembly a report on the NJCLASS Loan Program. The report
12 shall be submitted no later than August 1 of each year and shall
13 include, but not be limited to, the following information: the
14 principal amount of bonds issued to finance the NJCLASS Loan
15 Program in the prior year and the interest rates offered on those
16 bonds; the total principal amount of authority bonds that are
17 outstanding, the interest rates on the bonds, and the retirement
18 schedule for those bonds; the total number and principal amount of
19 outstanding NJCLASS loans, and the total number and principal
20 amount of NJCLASS loans contracted in the prior year; the total
21 number of NJCLASS loans that reached 90 days of delinquency and
22 the number that reached 90 days of delinquency in the prior year;
23 the number of administrative wage garnishment orders the authority
24 initiated in the prior year against NJCLASS borrowers, the number
25 of administrative wage garnishment orders issued, the number of
26 delinquent loans that did not go into default as a result of
27 collections through administrative wage garnishment, and the total
28 and median amount received by the authority from those
29 administrative wage garnishment orders; the total number of
30 NJCLASS loans that are in default and the number that entered
31 default in the prior year, the total number of loan collection
32 lawsuits that have been filed under the program, and the number of
33 loan collection lawsuits that were filed in the prior year and the
34 status of those lawsuits; the number of requests filed in the prior
35 year with the authority for the forgiveness of an NJCLASS loan due
36 to the death or total and permanent disability of the borrower, the
37 number of requests that were granted or denied, and the reasons for
38 the denial of requests; the number of requests filed in the prior year
39 with the authority for a loan deferment, the type of deferment
40 requested by the borrower, the number of requests that were granted
41 or denied, and the reasons for the denial of requests; and the
42 number of forbearance requests filed in the prior year with the
43 authority, the number of requests that were granted or denied, and
44 the reasons for the denial of requests.

45 (cf: P.L.2017, c.129, s.1)

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

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- 1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.