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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

"NJ Veterans to Local Government Employment Act"; requires DVA provide certain information on website and at Veteran Service Offices and certain outreach events; requires DLGS provide certain information on website.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee with technical review.



1 AN ACT concerning access to information for veterans seeking
2 public employment and supplementing Title 38A of the New
3 Jersey Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the “New Jersey
9 Veterans to Local Government Employment Act.”

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11 2. a. The Department of **【Military and】** Veterans Affairs shall,
12 in consultation with the Civil Service Commission and the
13 Department of Labor and Workforce Development, provide
14 information related to veteran employment and training on its
15 website. The website shall serve as a centralized resource for
16 veterans to access the various public employment and training
17 opportunities available to them at the federal, State, county, and
18 municipal government levels, and shall provide information on
19 additional resources related to career opportunities for veterans and
20 the transition to civilian employment.

21 b. The website shall, at a minimum, include the following
22 information and resources:

23 (1) the Department of **【Military and】** Veterans Affairs’
24 resources concerning the civil service preference for veterans and
25 the Civil Service Veterans Preference Claim form;

26 (2) the Civil Service Commission’s resources for veterans,
27 including information on the rule of three and current civil service
28 job announcements;

29 (3) the Division of Local Government Services’ list of job
30 vacancies in county and municipal government entities within the
31 State that do not operate under the provisions of Title 11A, Civil
32 Service, of the New Jersey Statutes, and the additional information
33 and resources, required pursuant to section 4 of P.L. , c.
34 (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill);

35 (4) the Department of Labor and Workforce Development’s job
36 search engine and information concerning veteran services;

37 (5) resources made available by federal government entities,
38 including, but not limited to, the United States Department of
39 Labor, the Office of Personnel Management, and the Department of
40 Defense Transition Assistance Program;

41 (6) veteran’s guides and resources made available from
42 governmental, private, nonprofit, and other entities that seek to
43 assist veterans in their transition to civilian employment; and

44 (7) any other information the Department of **【Military and】**
45 Veterans Affairs deems appropriate.

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.

1 3. The Department of **【Military and】** Veterans Affairs, through
2 its regional network of Veteran Service Offices, shall provide paper
3 copies of the department’s Civil Service Veterans Preference Claim
4 form and any veterans employment informational packets provided
5 on the website at all such offices. The paper copies shall also be
6 available for dissemination at each “Veteran Outreach Campaign”
7 event scheduled by the department.

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9 4. The Division of Local Government Services in the
10 Department of Community Affairs shall develop and maintain a list
11 of all job vacancies in county and municipal government entities
12 within the State for those entities that do not operate under the
13 provisions of Title 11A, Civil Service, of the New Jersey Statutes.
14 The list shall include any applicable information concerning
15 veterans preferences that may be provided by such county and
16 municipal government entities for such vacancies. The division
17 shall also provide information and resources for individuals seeking
18 employment with, and individuals currently employed by, such
19 government entities, as appropriate. The list, and the information
20 and resources, required pursuant to this section shall be made
21 publicly available on the division’s website.

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23 5. This act shall take effect on the 30th day after the date of
24 enactment, except that the Department of **【Military and】** Veterans
25 Affairs and the Division of Local Government Services in the
26 Department of Community Affairs may take any anticipatory
27 administrative action in advance as shall be necessary for the
28 implementation of this act.