

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE, No. 4312

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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The Senate Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably a Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 4312.

This committee substitute requires the collection of DNA samples for certain arrests.

Current law requires a blood or other biological sample to be collected from every adult and juvenile convicted or found not guilty by reason of insanity of a crime of the first, second, third, and fourth degree, as well as for convictions of specified disorderly persons offenses. Current law also requires a blood or other biological sample be collected from every adult and juvenile arrested for certain crimes, such as aggravated sexual assault, sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual contact, criminal sexual contact, and murder.

This committee substitute expands the lists of crimes for which a DNA sample is required to be collected from a juvenile or adult upon arrest to also include those persons arrested for human trafficking, aggravated arson, arson, carjacking, burglary, home invasion burglary, and residential burglary.