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# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

### 215th LEGISLATURE

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#### **SYNOPSIS**

Establishes the "New Jersey Employer Identity Disclosure Act."

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Assembly Labor Committee on October 15, 2012, with amendments.



1	AN ACT <sup>1</sup> [requiring employers to disclose] concerning disclosure
2	of 1 certain information to job seekers and supplementing Title
3	34 of the Revised Statues.

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

 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "New Jersey Employer Identity Disclosure Act."

2. As used in this act:

"Accepting employment" means that a job seeker has entered into an agreement with an employer which includes the terms and conditions of employment, the salary or wages and any benefits to be paid to the job seeker as compensation for employment, and the date, time, and place at which employment will commence.

"Employer" means a person, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust, association or any other entity that employs individuals in this State.

"Job seeker" means any individual seeking employment.

- 3. Every employer, or employer's agent or representative, shall provide '[to] at the request of' a job seeker, prior to accepting employment with the employer, a disclosure statement setting forth the following information:
- a. The full, legal name of the employer who will be in charge of directing or supervising the services performed by, and paying compensation to, the job seeker upon accepting employment; [and]<sup>1</sup>
- b. The precise address of the employer's base of operations, or, if there is no base of operations, the place from which the employer will direct or supervise the services to be performed by the job seeker upon accepting employment 1; and
- c. The nature of the employer-employee relationship, including whether the job seeker, upon accepting employment, will be considered an employee, temporary employee, independent contractor, or otherwise<sup>1</sup>.

At any time before or after accepting employment with an employer, a job seeker may request a written or electronic copy of the disclosure statement '[required] requested by the job seeker' pursuant to this section, and the copy of the disclosure shall be provided to the job seeker in a timely manner.

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

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4. No employer, or employer's agent or representative, shall knowingly or purposefully publish, in print or electronically, an advertisement for any job vacancy in this State that distorts, obscures, or in any way attempts to misinform a jobseeker by providing information regarding the employer-employee relationship that is false or contrary to the disclosure statement required pursuant to section 3 of this act.

- 5. a. No employer, or employer's agent or representative, shall in any way penalize or discriminate against a job seeker because the job seeker has exercised any right established in this act.
- b. An employer who is found to have penalized or discriminated against any job seeker for exercising a right established in this act commits a disorderly persons offense and shall be liable to the job seeker for damages.

6. A violation of any provision of this act shall constitute an unlawful practice and shall be subject to, in addition to any other remedies or penalties provided by law, a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000 for a first offense, and \$2,500 for subsequent offenses, collectible by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development in a summary proceeding pursuant to the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.).

7. This act shall take effect immediately.