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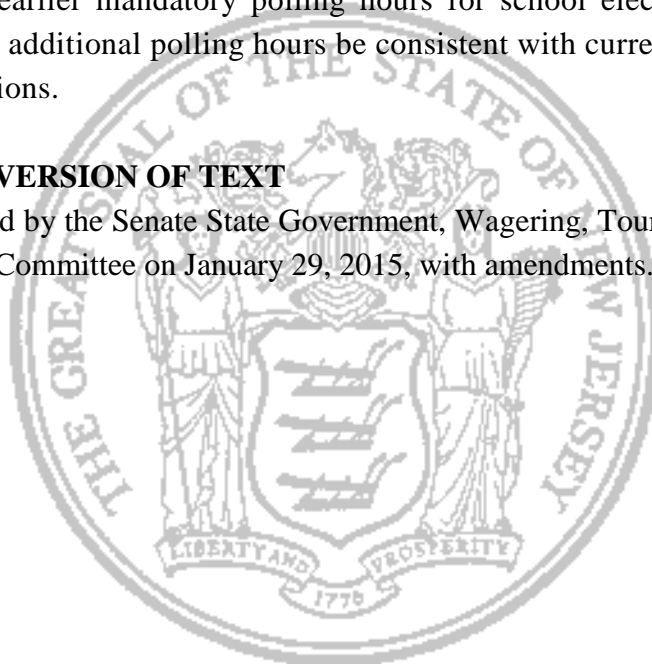
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SYNOPSIS

Requires earlier mandatory polling hours for school elections; requires discretionary additional polling hours be consistent with current primary and general elections.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate State Government, Wagering, Tourism & Historic Preservation Committee on January 29, 2015, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning polling hours for school elections and
2 amending R.S.19:15-2.

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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. R.S.19:15-2 is amended to read as follows:

8 19:15-2. The district boards shall open the polls for such election
9 at 6:00 A.M. and close them at 8:00 P.M., and shall keep them open
10 during the whole day of election between these hours; except that
11 for a school election held at a time other than at the time of the
12 general election the polls shall be open between the hours of
13 ¹~~5:00~~ 4:00¹ P.M. and ~~9:00~~ 8:00 P.M. and during any additional
14 time which the school board may designate between the hours of
15 ¹~~7:00~~ 6:00¹ A.M. and ~~9:00~~ 8:00 P.M.

16 The board may allow one member thereof at a time to be absent
17 from the polling place and room for a period not exceeding one
18 hour between the hours of 1:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. or for such
19 shorter time as it shall see fit.

20 At no time from the opening of the polls to the completion of the
21 canvass shall there be less than a majority of the board present in
22 the polling room or place, except that during a school election held
23 at a time other than at the time of the general election there shall
24 always be at least one member of each district election board
25 present or if more than two district board members are designated to
26 serve at the polling place, at least two members present.

27 (cf: P.L.2011, c.202, s.31)

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29 2. This act shall take effect on January 1 next following the
30 date of enactment.

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate SSG committee amendments adopted January 29, 2015.