

ASSEMBLY, No. 5386

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SYNOPSIS

Establishes pilot program in certain municipalities to make grants available to non-profit organizations to perform outreach regarding VCCO.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT establishing a pilot program in certain municipalities to
2 make grants available to non-profit organizations to perform
3 outreach regarding the Victims of Crime Compensation Office.

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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. a. The Department of Law and Public Safety shall establish a
9 three-year pilot program to make grants available to non-profit
10 organizations to perform outreach in the community regarding the
11 availability of compensation for crime victims provided by the
12 Victims of Crime Compensation Office. The pilot program shall be
13 established in the six urban municipalities with the highest crime
14 index in this State, according to the most recent Uniform Crime
15 Report prepared by the New Jersey Division of State Police.

16 b. The department shall submit a report evaluating the
17 implementation and operation of the pilot program to the Governor
18 and, pursuant to the provisions of section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164
19 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature within 90 days after the
20 completion of the pilot program. The report shall recommend
21 whether the pilot program should be continued, expanded, or made
22 permanent.

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire upon
25 the filing of the report required pursuant to subsection b. of section
26 1 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this
27 bill).

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30 STATEMENT

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32 This bill requires the Department of Law and Public Safety to
33 establish a three-year pilot program to make grants available to non-
34 profit organizations to perform outreach in the community
35 regarding the availability of compensation for crime victims
36 provided by the Victims of Crime Compensation Office.

37 Under the bill, the pilot program is to be established in the six
38 urban municipalities with the highest crime index in this State,
39 according to the most recent Uniform Crime Report prepared by the
40 New Jersey Division of State Police.

41 Finally, the bill requires the department to submit a report
42 evaluating the effectiveness of the pilot program to the Governor
43 and the Legislature within 90 days after the completion of the pilot
44 program. The report is to recommend whether the pilot program
45 should be continued, expanded, or made permanent.