

**ASSEMBLY, No. 713**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**219th LEGISLATURE**

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**District 37 (Bergen)**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Prohibits lawyers and law firms who lobby public entity from simultaneous employment or contract with that public entity.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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

20 2. No person licensed to practice law in this State who, and no  
21 firm, partnership, company, or other business entity comprised  
22 principally of attorneys practicing law in this State that, is seeking  
23 to influence regulation or governmental processes, as defined in  
24 section 3 of P.L.1971, c.183 (C.52:13C-20) but as applied at the  
25 school district level, as a lobbyist or governmental affairs agent in a  
26 local school district or an agency thereof shall at the same time  
27 accept employment with, be employed by, or hold a contract with  
28 that local school district or an agency thereof.

41        4. This act shall take effect immediately.

46       The purpose of this bill is to prohibit any person licensed to  
47       practice law in this State who, and any firm, partnership, company,  
48       or other business entity comprised principally of attorneys

1 practicing law in this State that, is seeking to influence legislation,  
2 regulation or governmental processes in the Executive or  
3 Legislative Branch, a local school district, or a local government  
4 agency, from at the same time accepting employment with, being  
5 employed by, or holding a contract with that same public entity.

6 The term “influence legislation, regulation or government  
7 processes” used in the bill would have the same meaning as  
8 provided in the “Legislative and Governmental Process Activities  
9 Disclosure Act,” N.J.S.A.52:13C-19 et seq.