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SYNOPSIS

Restricts discharge of firefighting foams containing perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances for training or testing purposes.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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

d. As used in this section, "perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance" means a synthetic organic compound containing at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom and designed to be fully functional in firefighting foam formulations.

36 3. This act shall take effect two years after the date of
37 enactment.

42 This bill would formalize best practices that would ban the use of
43 firefighting foam containing added perfluoroalkyl or
44 polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) for training and restrict their use
45 in testing, which minimizes unnecessary environmental releases. At
46 the same time, the bill would allow firefighters and other first
47 responders to have access to the tools needed to appropriately
48 respond to emergency situations by ensuring that the most effective
49 firefighting foams are available to protect life and property.