

**ASSEMBLY, No. 1074**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**219th LEGISLATURE**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires Secretary of Higher Education to create and maintain database of Educational Opportunity Fund student admissions.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1   **AN ACT** concerning the admission of students into Educational  
2       Opportunity Fund programs and supplementing P.L.1968, c.142  
3       (C.18A:71-28 et seq.).  
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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 Secretary of Higher Education shall create and  
9       maintain a database of Educational Opportunity Fund student  
10      admissions. The database shall detail the number of student  
11      openings in the Educational Opportunity Fund programs of each  
12      participating institution which are available for an eligible student.  
13      The database shall be made available to campus Educational  
14      Opportunity Fund directors in order to improve communication  
15      about potential placements between campus directors and eligible  
16      students.

17      b.   Each participating institution shall notify the Office of the  
18      Secretary of Higher Education when a student opening in an  
19      Educational Opportunity Fund program is filled. The office shall  
20      update the database within one business day of receiving the  
21      notification.

22      c.   In the event that an eligible student has not secured a  
23      placement in an Education Opportunity Fund program of a  
24      participating institution, the campus Educational Opportunity Fund  
25      director shall provide that student with information about student  
26      openings in the Educational Opportunity Fund programs of other  
27      participating institutions.  
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29      2.   This act shall take effect on the 90th day next following the  
30      date of enactment.  
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STATEMENT

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36       This bill requires the Secretary of Higher Education to create and  
37       maintain a database of Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) student  
38       admissions. The database will detail the number of student  
39       openings in the EOF programs of each participating institution  
40       which are available for an eligible student. The database must be  
41       made available to campus EOF directors in order to improve  
42       communication about potential placements between campus  
43       directors and eligible students. The bill provides that in the event  
44       that an eligible student has not secured a placement in an EOF  
45       program of a participating institution, the campus EOF director  
46       must provide that student with information about student openings  
47       in the EOF programs of other participating institutions.

48       Under the bill, each participating institution must notify the  
      Office of the Secretary of Higher Education when a student opening

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1 in an EOF program is filled. The office must update the database  
2 within one business day of receiving the notification.

3 It is the sponsor's intent to ensure that an EOF-eligible student  
4 who has not secured a placement into the EOF program of a  
5 participating institution be made aware of the potential for  
6 placement at other participating institutions.