

ASSEMBLY HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3010

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 2, 2021

The Assembly Higher Education Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3010 with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill provides that an institution of higher education in the State which offers child care services to students enrolled in the institution and accepts vouchers under the New Jersey Cares for Kids (NJCK) Program will not charge a student who receives a voucher under that program an amount for the child care services that exceeds the amount of the program voucher.

The NJCK Program, under regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Human Services at N.J.A.C.10:15-5.1 et seq., provides eligible families with necessary child care services through the Child Care Resource & Referral Agency in the county where the family resides. A family is eligible for the program if the family meets certain income guidelines.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to specify that an institution of higher education in the State which offers child care services to students enrolled in the institution, and which accepts vouchers issued under the New Jersey Cares for Kids (NJCK) Program, will not charge a student who receives a voucher under that program an amount for the child care services that exceeds the amount of the program voucher. As introduced, the bill did not specify that the institutions must also accept NJCK vouchers to be affected by the provisions of the bill.