

ASSEMBLY, No. 3240

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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Assemblyman ERIK PETERSON

District 23 (Hunterdon, Somerset and Warren)

SYNOPSIS

Authorizes attorney-at-law who validates affidavit, acknowledgment, proof, oath, or affirmation to affix seal indicating that he is attorney-at-law.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning attorneys-at-law and supplementing chapter 14
2 of Title 46 of the Revised Statutes.

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

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7 1. a. A person licensed to practice law in this State who
8 validates an affidavit, acknowledgment, proof, oath, or affirmation
9 taken before him in accordance with the provisions of chapter 14 of
10 Title 46 of the Revised Statutes or R.S.41:2-1 may, but shall not be
11 required to, affix a seal to the document indicating that he is an
12 attorney-at-law of the State of New Jersey and, as such, is
13 authorized by statute to perform such validations.

14 b. Validation of an affidavit, acknowledgment, proof, oath, or
15 affirmation by an attorney-at-law pursuant to subsection a. of this
16 section shall have the same force and effect as validation and the
17 affixing of a seal by a notary public.

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19 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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22 STATEMENT

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24 This bill would authorize an attorney-at-law who validates an
25 affidavit, acknowledgment, proof, oath, or affirmation to affix a
26 seal to the document indicating that he is an attorney-at-law.

27 Under the bill, a person licensed to practice law in this State who
28 validates an affidavit, acknowledgment, proof, oath, or affirmation
29 taken before him in accordance with the provisions of chapter 14 of
30 Title 46 of the Revised Statutes or R.S.41:2-1 may, but would not
31 be required to, affix a seal to the document indicating that he is an
32 attorney-at-law of the State of New Jersey and, as such, is
33 authorized by statute to perform such validations.

34 The bill specifies that the validation of an affidavit,
35 acknowledgment, proof, oath, or affirmation by an attorney-at-law
36 in accordance with the bill would have the same force and effect as
37 validation by a notary public.