

ASSEMBLY, No. 3634

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Gives Director subpoena powers in administration of Division of Pensions and Benefits.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the subpoena powers of the Director of the
2 Division of Pensions and Benefits in the Department of the
3 Treasury and supplementing P.L.1955, c.70.

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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. In the administration of the Division of Pensions and
9 Benefits, the director, on behalf of the boards of trustees of any
10 State-administered pension fund or retirement system, shall have
11 the power to administer oaths, take affidavits and the depositions of
12 witnesses and issue subpoenas for and compel the attendance of
13 witnesses and the production of papers, books, accounts, payrolls,
14 documents, records, testimony and other evidence of whatever
15 description. In the case of failure of any person to comply with any
16 order of the director or subpoena, lawfully issued, or on the refusal
17 of any witness to produce evidence or to testify as to any matter
18 regarding which the person may be lawfully interrogated, it shall be
19 the duty of the Superior Court, or the judge thereof, upon
20 application by the director to compel obedience by proceedings for
21 contempt, as in the case of disobedience of a subpoena issued for
22 such court or a refusal to testify therein.

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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29 This bill gives the Director of the Division of Pensions and
30 Benefits, on behalf of the boards of trustees of any State-
31 administered pension fund or retirement system, the power to
32 administer oaths, take affidavits and the depositions of witnesses
33 and issue subpoenas for and compel the attendance of witnesses and
34 the production of papers, books, accounts, payrolls, documents,
35 records, testimony and other evidence of whatever description. In
36 the case of noncompliance, the director may apply to compel
37 obedience by proceedings for contempt in the Superior Court.