

ASSEMBLY, No. 5561

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

Removes stump grinding as service requiring licensure by New Jersey Board of Tree Experts.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning tree experts and tree care operators and
2 amending P.L.2009, c.237.

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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. Section 2 of P.L.2009, c.237 (C.45:15C-12) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 2. For the purposes of this act:

10 "Board" means the New Jersey Board of Tree Experts
11 established pursuant to section 3 of **[this act]** P.L.2009, c.237
12 (C.45:15C-13).

13 "Licensed tree care operator" means a person licensed to provide
14 tree care operator services in the State pursuant to subsection b. of
15 section 7 of **[this act]** P.L.2009, c.237 (C.45:15C-17).

16 "Licensed tree expert" means a person licensed to provide tree
17 expert services in this State pursuant to subsection a. of section 7 of
18 **[this act]** P.L.2009, c.237 (C.45:15C-17).

19 "Tree care operator services" means and includes tree pruning,
20 repairing, brush cutting or removal, tree removal, and stump
21 **[grinding or]** removal. "Tree care operator services" shall not
22 include stump grinding.

23 "Tree care services" means tree care operator services and tree
24 expert services as established by **[this act]** P.L.2009, c.237
25 (C.45:15C-11 et seq.).

26 "Tree expert services" means and includes tree pruning,
27 repairing, brush cutting or removal, tree removal, stump **[grinding**
28 **or]** removal, tree establishment, fertilization, cabling and bracing,
29 lightning protection, consulting, diagnosis, and treatment of tree
30 problems or diseases, tree management during site planning and
31 development, tree assessment and risk management, and application
32 of pesticides or any other form of tree maintenance. "Tree expert
33 services" shall not include stump grinding.

34 (cf: P.L.2009, c.237, s.2)

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36 2. This act shall take effect immediately

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39 STATEMENT

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41 Removes stump grinding as service requiring licensure by New
42 Jersey Board of Tree Experts.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.