

SENATE, No. 137

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

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District 10 (Ocean)

SYNOPSIS

Requires suspension without pay and health care benefits if public officer or employee formally charged with crime involving or touching office, position, or employment.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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

25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

30 This bill provides that if a person who holds any public office,
31 position, or employment is formally charged with a crime or offense
32 under the laws of this State, or of a substantially similar offense
33 under the laws of another state or the United States, that involves or
34 touches the office, position or employment, the person will be
35 suspended from that office, position, or employment without pay
36 and without benefits including health care benefits, until either
37 convicted or exonerated of the charges or upon dismissal of the
38 charges. A person who is not convicted or who is exonerated, or for
39 whom the crime or offense is dismissed, and who is restored to the
40 public office, position, or employment will be entitled to back pay
41 and reimbursement for the cost of health care benefits for the period
42 of the suspension.