

SENATE, No. 1486

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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SYNOPSIS

Sets States mileage reimbursement rate at IRS rate for business use of automobile.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning mileage reimbursement to State officers and
2 employees, amending P.L.1943, c.188 and repealing section 2 of
3 P.L.1980, c.19.

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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. Section 1 of P.L.1943, c.188 (C.52:14-17.1) is amended to
9 read as follows:

10 1. All mileage in lieu of actual expenses of transportation
11 allowed an officer or employee of the State traveling by **his** the
12 person's own automobile on official business away from **his** the
13 person's designated post of duty or official station shall be at the
14 standard mileage rate **of** \$0.18 per mile unless otherwise adjusted
15 by law **set by the federal Internal Revenue Service, or its**
16 successor, and in effect at the time the expense is incurred, to
17 calculate deductible costs of operating an automobile for business
18 purposes.

19 (cf: P.L.1980, c.19, s.1)

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21 2. Section 2 of P.L.1980, c.19 (C.52:14-17.1a) is repealed.

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23 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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26 STATEMENT

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28 This bill provides that the mileage reimbursement rate payable to
29 a State officer or employee driving a private automobile on State
30 business will be the same as the standard mileage rate established
31 by the federal Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for the deductible
32 cost of operating an automobile for business purposes.

33 State law provides that the State's mileage reimbursement rate
34 would be 18 cents per mile and that this rate would be adjusted
35 biannually to reflect changes in gasoline prices. Annual
36 appropriations acts have adjusted this mileage reimbursement rate.
37 It is necessary to establish the State's rate at the same level as the
38 IRS rate (as adjusted periodically for inflation) in order to fairly
39 compensate State officers and employees who drive their own
40 vehicles on public business.

41 The bill repeals N.J.S.A.52:14-17.1a which provides that the
42 \$0.18 per mile rate in the law would be adjusted twice each year to
43 reflect changes in the price of gasoline.

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.