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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Permits county police department and force to provide police services to municipalities.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT permitting a county police department and force to provide
2 police services to a municipality, amending N.J.S.40A:14-107
3 and supplementing chapter 14 of Title 40A of the New Jersey
4 Statutes.

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

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9 1. N.J.S.40A:14-107 is amended to read as follows:

10 40A:14-107. a. The members and officers of a county police
11 department and force, in addition to any and all other powers
12 prescribed by law, shall have the power to enforce:

13 (1) All rules and regulations made and promulgated by the
14 governing body of the county governing the use of by the public,
15 and the welfare of the public on, county highways and roads;

16 **[(2) All provisions of chapter 171 (Sunday observances) of Title**
17 **2A of the New Jersey Statutes;]** (Deleted by amendment, P.L. ,
18 c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill)

19 (3) All provisions of Title 39 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic
20 Regulation) of the Revised Statutes;

21 (4) All provisions of Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes; and

22 (5) All rules and regulations made and promulgated by the
23 governing body of the county respecting the general health, safety
24 and welfare of the public within the territorial limits of the county.

25 The said members and officers have authority to arrest for the
26 commission of any crime anywhere in the county of their
27 appointment; they shall also have full authority to arrest for any
28 crimes committed in their presence which are committed anywhere
29 within the territorial limits of the State of New Jersey.

30 b. In addition to the specific powers enumerated in subsection a.
31 of this section, a county police department and force shall have the
32 authority to enter into a shared service agreement pursuant to the
33 "Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act," sections 1
34 through 35 of P.L.2007, c.63 (C.40A:65-1 through C.40A:65-35),
35 with any municipality located in the county to provide any, or all,
36 police services to the municipality that a municipal police
37 department and force is authorized to perform itself.

38 (cf: P.L.1981, c.126, s.5)

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40 2. (New section) The Attorney General shall provide guidance
41 and direction to counties and municipalities entering into shared
42 service agreements for police services authorized in subsection b. of
43 N.J.S.40A:14-107, to resolve matters of police administration not
44 otherwise provided by law or rule as it affects these contracts.

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.

1 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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6 This bill would authorize a county police department and force to
7 enter into a shared service agreement pursuant to the "Uniform
8 Shared Services and Consolidation Act," sections 1 through 35 of
9 P.L.2007, c.63 (C.40A:65-1 through C.40A:65-35), with any
10 municipality located in the county to provide any, or all, police
11 services to the municipality that a municipal police department and
12 force is authorized to perform itself, as recommended by the New
13 Jersey Economic & Fiscal Policy Workgroup in its report "Path to
14 Progress." Authorizing counties to perform police services on
15 behalf of municipalities would lower, or eliminate, municipal costs
16 relating to policing and provide property tax relief to municipal
17 residents.

18 The bill also makes a technical correction to N.J.S.40A:14-107
19 by removing current language in the statute authorizing a county
20 police department and force to enforce all provisions of chapter 171
21 of Title 2A of the New Jersey Statutes. The statutes in that chapter,
22 designated "Observance of Sabbath Days," were repealed at
23 different times between 1970 and 1999.