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SYNOPSIS

Expands category of lists from which a single juror source list is compiled to include recipients of cash assistance or food stamps.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 7/16/2020)

1 AN ACT concerning juror source lists and amending N.J.S.2B:20-2.

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3 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
4 of New Jersey:

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6 1. N.J.S.2B:20-2 is amended to read as follows:

7 2B:20-2. a. The names of persons eligible for jury service
8 shall be selected from a single juror source list of county residents
9 whose names and addresses shall be obtained from a merger of the
10 following lists: registered voters, licensed drivers, filers of State
11 gross income tax returns **[and]**, filers of homestead rebate or credit
12 application forms and recipients of cash assistance or food stamps
13 pursuant to a federal or State program except as prohibited by
14 federal law or regulation. The county election board, the **[Division**
15 **of Motor Vehicles]** Motor Vehicle Commission **[and]**, the State
16 Division of Taxation and the Division of Family Development in
17 the Department of Human Services shall provide these lists
18 annually to the Assignment Judge of the county. The Assignment
19 Judge may provide for the merger of additional lists of persons
20 eligible for jury service that may contribute to the breadth of the
21 juror source list. Merger of the lists of eligible jurors into a single
22 juror source list shall include a reasonable attempt to eliminate
23 duplication of names.

24 b. The juror source list shall be compiled once a year or more
25 often as directed by the Assignment Judge.

26 c. The juror source list may be expanded by the Supreme Court
27 as it deems appropriate.

28 (cf: P.L.2007, c.62, s.41)

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30 2. This act shall take effect on the 365th day following
31 enactment except that the Commissioner of Human Services and the
32 Assignment Judge of each vicinage may take such anticipatory
33 administrative action in advance to share and merge information to
34 supplement the juror source list, as shall be necessary for the
35 implementation of this act.

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38 STATEMENT

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40 This bill would expand the category of lists from which a single
41 juror source list is compiled to include county residents and
42 recipients of cash assistance or food stamps pursuant to a federal or
43 State program except as prohibited by federal law or regulation.

44 The bill would take effect on the 365th day following enactment
45 except that the Commissioner of Human Services and the

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.

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- 1 Assignment Judge of each vicinage may take anticipatory
- 2 administrative action in advance to share and merge information to
- 3 supplement the juror source list.