

**SENATE, No. 3055**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**219th LEGISLATURE**

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**Sponsored by:**  
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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires at least one member of BPU to reside in either Atlantic, Cape May, Monmouth, or Ocean County.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning membership of the Board of Public Utilities  
2 and amending R.S.48:2-1.

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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. R.S.48:2-1 is amended to read as follows:

8 48:2-1. a. The Board of Public Utilities, named pursuant to  
9 Reorganization Plan No. 001-1994, effective on July 4, 1994, and  
10 allocated in, but not of, the Department of the Treasury pursuant to  
11 that plan, is continued and is designated as the Board of Public  
12 Utilities or the "board."

13 b. The board shall consist of five citizens of this State who  
14 shall devote their entire time to the duties of the board and shall not  
15 engage in any occupation, profession or other gainful employment.

16 c. Members of the board shall be appointed by the Governor,  
17 with the advice and consent of the Senate, for terms of six years.  
18 The terms of office of the members of the board shall continue until  
19 their successors are appointed and qualified. No person shall act as  
20 a member of the board until that person's appointment has been  
21 confirmed by the Senate. On or after the effective date of P.L. , c.  
22 (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), a person shall  
23 be appointed to the board only if the appointee, or at least one  
24 existing member of the board, resides in either Atlantic, Cape May,  
25 Monmouth, or Ocean County. Not more than three of the members  
26 of the board shall be members of the same political party. All  
27 vacancies, except through the expiration of term, shall be filled for  
28 the unexpired term only.  
29 (cf: P.L.2001, c.132, s.1)

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31 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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34 STATEMENT

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36 This bill requires that, after the effective date of the bill, a person  
37 is to be appointed to the Board of Public Utilities only if the  
38 appointee, or at least one existing member of the board, resides in  
39 either Atlantic, Cape May, Monmouth, or Ocean County.

**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.