

SENATE, No. 4308

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Establishes Helmets to Hardhats program in the DMVA; appropriates \$400,000.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/6/2022)

1 AN ACT establishing the Helmets to Hardhats program in the
2 Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

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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. a. There is established the Helmets to Hardhats program
8 located in the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and
9 administered by the New Jersey Building and Construction Trades
10 Council. The program shall provide outreach and assistance to
11 veterans in obtaining preparation and guidance to gain admission
12 into training and education programs needed to obtain high quality
13 careers in the construction industry, including registered
14 apprenticeship programs which lead to high quality careers in the
15 building trades, as well as careers in administration, engineering
16 and management in the construction industry.

17 b. For the purposes of this section:

18 "registered apprenticeship" means apprenticeship in a program
19 providing to each trainee combined classroom and on-the-job
20 training under the direct and close supervision of a highly skilled
21 worker in an occupation recognized as an apprenticeable trade, and
22 registered by the Office of Apprenticeship of the United States
23 Department of Labor and meeting the standards established by that
24 office.

25 "veteran" means any resident of this State who has been
26 discharged honorably or under general honorable conditions who
27 served in any branch or a Reserve component of the Armed Forces
28 of the United States or the National Guard of this State.

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30 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Helmets
31 to Hardhats program in the Department of Military and Veterans
32 Affairs the sum of \$400,000 to implement the provisions of section
33 1 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill)

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35 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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38 STATEMENT

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40 This bill establishes the Helmets to Hardhats program in the
41 Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and administered by
42 the New Jersey Building and Construction Trades Council. The
43 purpose of the program is to provide outreach and assistance to
44 veterans in obtaining preparation and guidance to gain admission
45 into training and education programs needed to obtain high quality
46 careers in the construction industry, including registered
47 apprenticeship programs which lead to high quality careers in the
48 building trades, as well as careers in administration, engineering
49 and management in the construction industry.