

SENATE, No. 2037

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SYNOPSIS

Conditions appropriation for State professional boards on expenditure of budget allocation to Board of Nursing to process and eliminate home health aide application backlog.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT to amend “AN ACT making appropriations for the support
2 of the State Government and the several public purposes for the
3 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 and regulating the disbursement
4 thereof,” approved June 26, 2015 (P.L.2015, c.63).

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

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9 1. The following language provision in Section 1 of P.L.2015,
10 c.63, the annual appropriations act for the fiscal year ending
11 June 30, 2016, is amended to read as follows:

66 DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

80 Special Government Services

82 Protection of Citizens’ Rights

DIRECT STATE SERVICES

15-1318 Operation of State Professional Boards

12 **[Of the]** The amount hereinabove appropriated for Operation of State Professional
13 Boards **[for]** shall be subject to the following condition: in addition to the allocation
14 from the Operation of State Professional Boards for the operation of the Board of
15 Nursing **[there is allocated an amount not less than]** , the Director of the Division of
16 Budget and Accounting shall allocate an additional \$250,000 to the Board of Nursing
17 which shall be expended by the board during the fiscal year for the cost of hiring
18 additional staff and other expenses necessary to process and eliminate the home
19 health aide application backlog.

20 (cf: P.L.2015, c.63, s.1)

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22 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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27 This bill amends budget language in the Fiscal Year 2016 annual
28 appropriations act to ensure that the \$250,000 allocated to the
29 Board of Nursing by a legislative resolution is expended by the
30 board during the fiscal year for the cost of hiring additional staff
31 and other expenses necessary to process and eliminate the home
32 health aide application backlog.

33 This bill makes the appropriation for the operation of all the
34 professional boards within the Division of Consumer affairs in the
35 Department of Law and Public Safety conditioned upon the
36 \$250,000 allocation being expended by the Board of Nursing to
37 process and eliminate the home health aide application backlog.
38 The division and the department have not moved forward with
39 implementing the purpose of this budget language. This bill
40 clarifies the language to compel the expenditure of 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 appropriation to achieve the purpose for which it was intended in
- 2 the annual appropriations act.