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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits extradition of individual to another state if conduct relates to reproductive health services and is legal in New Jersey.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT barring extradition of persons in certain circumstances and
2 amending N.J.S.2A:160-14.

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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. N.J.S.2A:160-14 is amended to read as follows:

8 The **【governor】** Governor of this **【state】** State may also
9 surrender, on demand of the executive authority of any other state,
10 any person in this **【state】** State charged in **【such】** the other state in
11 the manner provided in section N.J.S. 2A:160-11 **【of this title】** with
12 committing an act in this **【state】** State, or in a third state,
13 intentionally resulting in a crime in the state whose executive
14 authority is making the demand, and the provisions of this article
15 not otherwise inconsistent shall apply to such cases, even though
16 the accused was not in that state at the time of the commission of
17 the crime, and has not fled therefrom. This provision shall not
18 apply in instances where the crime for which extradition is sought
19 relates to reproductive health services and would not be punishable
20 by the laws of this State.

21 As used in this section "reproductive health services" means
22 medical, surgical, counseling, or referral services relating to the
23 human reproductive system, including services relating to
24 pregnancy or the termination of a pregnancy.

25 (cf: P.L.1951 (1st SS), c.344)

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27 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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32 Pursuant to the "New Jersey Uniform Criminal Extradition
33 Law," N.J.S.A.2A:160-9 et seq., the Governor is permitted to
34 surrender, upon demand of the executive authority of any other
35 state, any person in this State charged in such other state with
36 committing an act in this State, or in a third state, intentionally
37 resulting in a crime. This bill restricts that authority in instances
38 where the crime for which extradition is sought relates to
39 reproductive health services and would not be punishable by the
40 laws of this State. Under the bill, "reproductive health services"
41 means medical, surgical, counseling, or referral services relating to
42 the human reproductive system, including services relating to
43 pregnancy or the termination of a pregnancy. Effectively, this bill
44 would prohibit an individual from being extradited to another state
45 if the person is accused of conduct related to reproductive health
46 services that is legal in New Jersey.

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.