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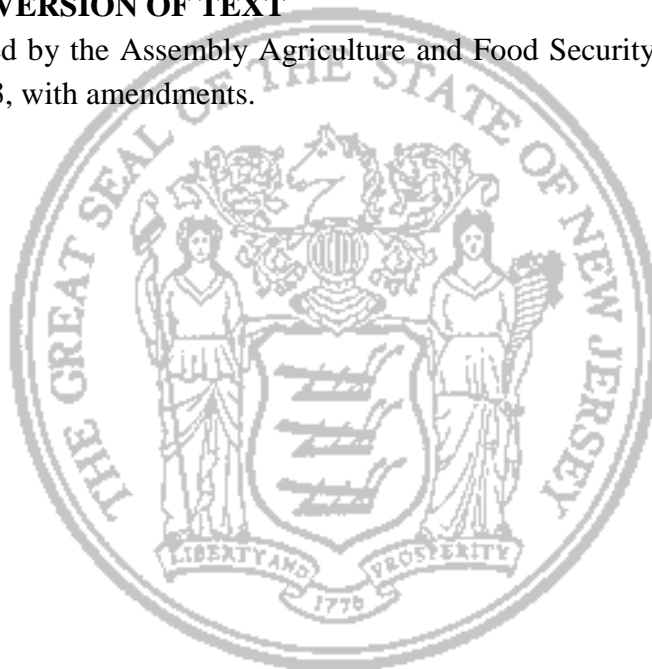
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**SYNOPSIS**

Establishes food rescue hotline.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Assembly Agriculture and Food Security Committee on June 15, 2023, with amendments.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/20/2023)**

1 AN ACT establishing a food rescue hotline and supplementing Title  
2 52 of the Revised Statutes.

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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. The Food Security Advocate shall establish and maintain<sup>1</sup>,<sup>1</sup>  
8 in the Office of the Food Security Advocate<sup>1</sup>,<sup>1</sup> a **["toll-free"]**<sup>1</sup> food  
9 rescue **["telephone"]**<sup>1</sup> hotline<sup>1</sup>**["**. The hotline<sup>1</sup> **that**<sup>1</sup> shall **be designed**  
10 **to:**

11 **(1)**<sup>1</sup> receive and respond to **["calls"]** requests submitted by  
12 telephone, in-person, or through electronic or other means, as may be  
13 authorized by the Food Security Advocate,<sup>1</sup> from individuals or  
14 organizations that are<sup>1</sup> seeking to donate large quantities of food<sup>1</sup>,<sup>1</sup>  
15 and **["shall"]**

16 **(2)**<sup>1</sup> direct **["callers"]** each individual or organization requesting  
17 hotline assistance, pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection<sup>1</sup> to an  
18 appropriate food bank<sup>1</sup>,<sup>1</sup> and to<sup>1</sup> other appropriate<sup>1</sup> community  
19 resources and organizations<sup>1</sup>, in order<sup>1</sup> to facilitate the delivery of the  
20 requester's donated<sup>1</sup> food to an appropriate location.

21 b. The Food Security Advocate shall engage in a public  
22 awareness campaign, using all available media, including television,  
23 radio, print, the Internet, and social media, to inform the public about  
24 the availability and purpose of the food rescue hotline.

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26 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

**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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly AAN committee amendments adopted June 15, 2023.