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SYNOPSIS

Requires State agencies that administer utility bill payment assistance or energy efficiency programs to review and increase income thresholds for residential customers to participate in programs.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT requiring an increase to income thresholds for certain
2 utility bill payment assistance and energy efficiency programs.

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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. Within one year of the effective date of P.L. , c. (pending
8 before the Legislature as this bill), the Department of Community
9 Affairs, Department of Human Services, Board of Public Utilities,
10 and any other State agency that administers a utility bill payment
11 assistance program or energy efficiency program active upon the
12 effective date of P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this
13 bill) shall review and increase the income threshold for residential
14 customers to participate in those programs. A State agency may
15 request public comment, in a form and manner determined by that
16 State agency, or seek assistance from other State agencies, to
17 determine an appropriate increase to the program's income
18 threshold.

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20 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire upon
21 the date of the final income threshold increase required of a State
22 agency.

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STATEMENT

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27 This bill requires, within one year of the effective date of the
28 bill, the Department of Community Affairs, Department of Human
29 Services, Board of Public Utilities, and any other State agency that
30 administers a utility bill payment assistance program or energy
31 efficiency program active upon the effective date of the bill to
32 review and increase the income threshold for residential customers
33 to participate in those programs. A State agency may request public
34 comment, in a form and manner determined by that State agency, or
35 seek assistance from other State agencies, to determine an
36 appropriate increase to the program's income threshold.