

SENATE, No. 2114

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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SYNOPSIS

Concerns vaccine mandates and eligibility for unemployment benefits for certain health care workers.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1 AN ACT concerning vaccine mandates and eligibility for
2 unemployment benefits.

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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. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, an unemployed
8 individual who is otherwise eligible shall not be deemed ineligible
9 to receive unemployment benefits because the individual was
10 terminated or voluntarily left employment as a result of non-
11 compliance with Executive Order 283 of 2022.

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13 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply
14 retroactively to any claims after January 19, 2022. This act shall
15 expire on the 365th day next following enactment.

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STATEMENT

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20 This bill concerns vaccine mandates and the eligibility for
21 unemployment benefits for certain health care workers.

22 Specifically, the bill provides that, notwithstanding any law to
23 the contrary, an unemployed individual who is otherwise eligible
24 may not be deemed ineligible to receive unemployment benefits
25 because the individual was terminated or voluntarily left
26 employment as a result of non-compliance with Executive Order
27 283 of 2022.

28 Executive Order 283 of 2022 requires healthcare facilities and
29 high-risk congregate settings to adopt and implement policies
30 requiring covered workers at covered settings to receive and be up
31 to date with their COVID-19 vaccinations.