

SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2311

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 10, 2024

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2311.

This bill modifies the health care professions governed by the law regarding criminal history background checks. Specifically, the bill modifies the definition of “health care professional” in the law by incorporating individuals seeking licensure from the State Board of Applied Behavior Analyst Examiners, the State Board of Creative Arts and Activities Therapies, or the State Board of Dietetics and Nutrition. Individuals captured by this modification will be required to undergo a criminal history background check prior to issuance of an initial license. Individuals will also be subject to current law allowing the requisite board or the Division of Consumer Affairs to refuse to renew or to revoke a license if criminal history record information exists that provides grounds for a refusal or revocation.