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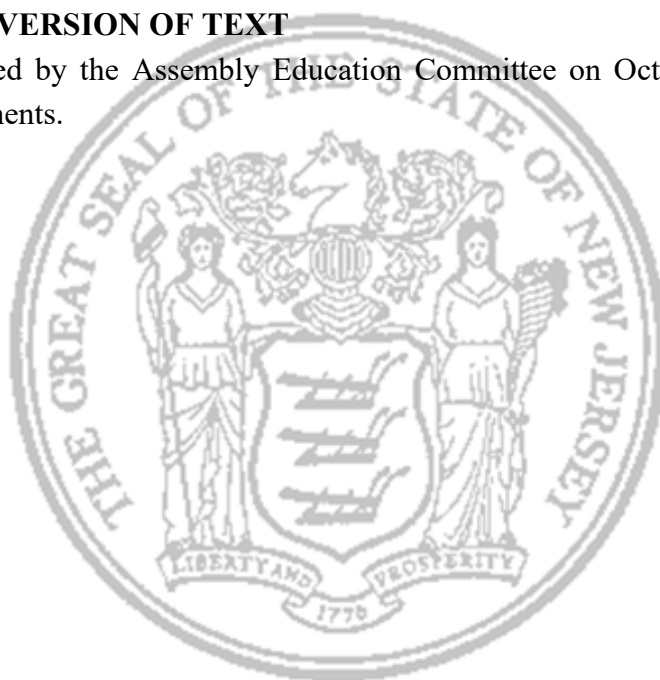
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SYNOPSIS

Permits board of education to employ certain veterans in coaching positions in school district's interscholastic athletic program.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on October 15, 2026, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 10/15/2026)

1 AN ACT concerning employment of certain veterans and
2 supplementing Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly* of the
5 State of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. Notwithstanding any law, rule, or regulation to the
8 contrary, a board of education may employ an eligible veteran who
9 is not the holder of a New Jersey teaching certificate or substitute
10 credential in a full-time or part-time coaching position in the
11 district's interscholastic athletic program.

12 b. As used in this section, "eligible veteran" means any
13 resident of the State who has ¹:

14 (1)¹ been honorably discharged or released under honorable
15 circumstances from military service in any branch of the Armed
16 Forces of the United States, or a reserve component thereof,
17 following at least four years of military service ¹; and

18 (2) undergone a criminal history record check pursuant to
19 section 1 of P.L.1986, c.116 (C.18A:6-7.1)¹.

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21 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:

¹Assembly AED committee amendments adopted October 15, 2026.