

**SENATE, No. 1080**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**214th LEGISLATURE**

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**Senator ANTHONY R. BUCCO**  
**District 25 (Morris)**  
**Senator DONALD NORCROSS**  
**District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator Oroho**

**SYNOPSIS**

Requires designated fire command structure in municipal emergency operations plans involving mutual aid responses to fires.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/21/2010)**

1 AN ACT concerning certain municipal emergency management  
2 plans and amending P.L.2003, c.28.

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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. Section 4 of P.L.2003, c.28 (C.52:14E-14) is amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 4. Each municipality or fire district, as the case may be, in this  
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11 shall set forth policies and procedures to coordinate the effective  
12 utilization of fire service resources in those instances where the  
13 implementation of the local fire mutual aid plan is determined to be  
14 necessary or appropriate. Each local fire mutual aid plan shall be  
15 based upon the planning criteria, objectives, requirements,  
16 responsibilities and concepts of operation essential for the  
17 implementation of all necessary and appropriate protective or  
18 remedial measures to be taken in response to emergency incidents.

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22 the local and county fire mutual aid plan to respond to any  
23 emergency, to supply command support, or to be assigned to the  
24 command structure.

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26 year after the effective date of this act. Following adoption, each  
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33 shall be reviewed and updated every two years.

34 (cf: P.L.2003, c.28, s.4)

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36 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month  
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#### STATEMENT

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42 This bill clarifies that the local fire mutual aid plan of each  
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not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

**S1080 A.R.BUCCO, NORCROSS**

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- 2 part of the county fire mutual aid plan.
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- 5 delineated support command structure is essential.

**ASSEMBLY, No. 1463**

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PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2010 SESSION

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**District 19 (Middlesex)**

**Assemblyman DAVID P. RIBLE**

**District 11 (Monmouth)**

**Assemblyman DAVID C. RUSSO**

**District 40 (Bergen, Essex and Passaic)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Assemblymen Giblin, Fuentes, Prieto, Assemblywoman McHose,**

**Assemblymen A.M.Bucco, Chiusano and Caputo**

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Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



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