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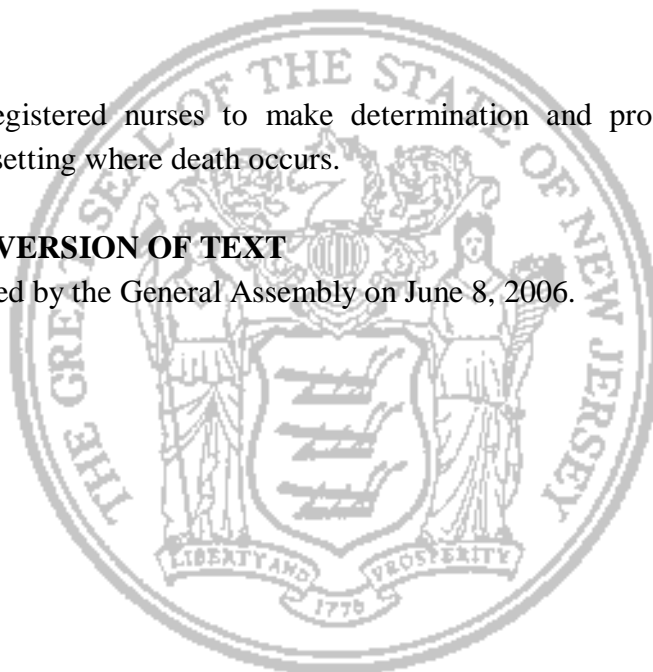
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SYNOPSIS

Permits registered nurses to make determination and pronouncement of death in any setting where death occurs.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the General Assembly on June 8, 2006.



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1 AN ACT concerning pronouncement of death and amending
2 P.L.1983, c.308.

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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.1983, c.308 (C.26:6-8.1) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 4. a. Where there has been an apparent death 'that is not
10 governed by the provisions of section 4 of P.L.1991, c.90 (C.26:6A-
11 4)¹, a registered professional nurse licensed by the New Jersey
12 Board of Nursing under P.L.1947, c.262 (C.45:11-23 et seq.) may
13 make the actual determination and pronouncement of death and
14 shall attest to this pronouncement by: signing in the space
15 designated for this signature on the certificate of death under
16 R.S.26:6-7; or, for the purposes of the NJ-EDRS, transmitting orally
17 or in writing a report of the pronouncement to the attending,
18 covering or resident physician, or the county medical examiner.

19 b. **[**The provisions of subsection a. of this section shall only
20 apply in the case of a death which occurs in the home or place of
21 residence of the deceased, in a hospice, or in a long-term care
22 facility or nursing home.**]** ¹**('Deleted by amendment,**
23 **P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this bill) '[.])¹**
24 (cf: P.L.2003, c.221, s.6)

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26 2. This act shall take effect on the 60th day after enactment.

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 floor amendments adopted June 8, 2006.