

SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 4615

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 11, 2023

The Senate Health, Human Services, and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 4615 (1R).

As amended by the committee, this bill requires the Commissioner of Human Services to apply for such State plan amendments or waivers as may be necessary to secure federal financial participation for State Medicaid expenditures under the federal Medicaid program for the purpose of establishing additional graduate medical education program slots focused on behavioral health care. Contingent on the approval of such State plan amendments or waivers, the Commissioner of Human Services and the Secretary of Higher Education are to establish a process for new and existing graduate medical education programs to request and use Medicaid funds to establish additional graduate medical education program slots focused on behavioral health care.

As reported by the committee with amendments, Assembly Bill No. 4615 (1R) is identical to Senate Bill No. 3591, which was also reported by the committee on this date with amendments.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments revise the bill to remove a section that would have amended section 5 of P.L.1977, c.390 (C.18A:64H-5).

The committee amendments make various technical amendments, including revising the title and synopsis of the bill, to reflect this change.