

CHAPTER 19

AN ACT clarifying the zoning classification of certain drug treatment facilities and supplementing P.L.1975, c.291 (C.40:55D-1 et seq.).

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

C.40:55D-66.10 Methadone clinic deemed business for zoning purposes.

1. For the purposes of any zoning ordinance adopted by any municipality in the State pursuant to section 49 of P.L.1975, c.291 (C.40:55D-62), a municipality may provide within the ordinance that a facility offering outpatient methadone maintenance services, hereinafter referred to as a "methadone clinic," shall be deemed to be a 'business' or commercial operation or functional equivalent thereof and shall not be construed, for zoning purposes, as ancillary or adjunct to a doctor's professional office. When a municipality has adopted such an ordinance, the siting of a methadone clinic within a municipality shall be limited to zones designated for business or commercial use.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 30, 2001.