

CHAPTER 277

AN ACT concerning public movers and warehousemen and amending P.L.1981, c.311.

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

1. Section 10 of P.L.1981, c.311 (C.45:14D-10) is amended to read as follows:

C.45:14D-10 Issuance of receipt, bill of lading, electronic warehouse receipt permitted, certain.

10. Every person engaged in the business of storing or moving household goods, office goods, or special commodities for transportation in intrastate commerce shall issue a receipt or bill of lading therefor and shall be liable to the lawful holder thereof in accordance with the provisions of chapters 3, 4, 5, and 7 of Title 12A of the New Jersey Statutes. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a receipt issued pursuant to this section shall not be denied legal effect solely because it is in electronic form, provided that both parties have affirmatively agreed to the electronic form of the receipt, the issuer affirmatively provides to the holder the receipt in an accessible form which is capable of being received, retained and accurately reproduced by the holder, and the receipt contains all legally required information.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved December 27, 2001.