

## CHAPTER 215

AN ACT concerning the establishment of alternate testing dates for certain applicants for licenses and supplementing P.L.1978, c.73 (C.45:1-14 et seq.).

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

C.45:1-42 Definitions relative to establishment of alternative testing dates for certain license applicants.

1. As used in this act:

"Applicant" means an individual to whom a licensing examination is administered.

"Affected applicant" means an applicant for whom a day of religious observance falls on the day or portion thereof that a licensing examination is administered.

"Day of religious observance" means any day or portion thereof on which a religious observance imposes a substantial burden on any applicant's ability to participate in a licensing examination, or any particular day or days or any portion thereof which any individual observes as a Sabbath or other holy day or days in accordance with the requirements of his religion.

"Licensing examination" means any test or examination that is given and used to determine whether an applicant is qualified for licensure, registration or certification by a professional or occupational board or the director, pursuant to Title 45 of the Revised Statutes.

C.45:1-43 Offering of alternate testing dates for examination.

2. When any licensing examination is administered on a day of religious observance, a special administration of that licensing examination or an equivalent examination shall be offered to any affected applicant as soon after or before as is possible, at a comparable time, place and cost, provided that in no circumstances shall the special administration be more than 30 days before or after the regular test administration.

3. This act shall take effect on the 180th day following enactment.

Approved December 20, 2007.