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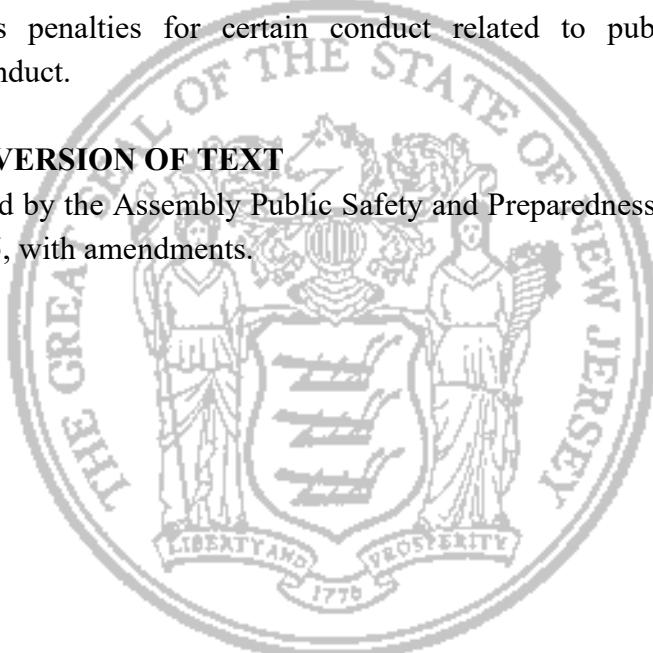
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SYNOPSIS

Establishes penalties for certain conduct related to public brawl and disorderly conduct.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Public Safety and Preparedness Committee on June 19, 2025, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/22/2025)

1 **AN ACT** concerning public brawls and disorderly conduct and
2 supplementing Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes.

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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. A parent or legal guardian having legal custody of a juvenile
8 shall be:

9 a. subject to a fine of \$1,000, to be collected in a civil action
10 by a summary proceeding under the "Penalty Enforcement Law of
11 1999," P.L.1999, c.274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.), if the parent or legal
12 guardian demonstrated willful or wanton disregard in the exercise
13 of the supervision and control of the conduct of the juvenile such
14 that the juvenile was adjudicated delinquent for engaging in
15 improper behavior in violation of subsection a. of N.J.S.2C:33-2,
16 which resulted in property damage;

17 b. guilty of a petty disorderly persons offense if the parent or
18 legal guardian demonstrated willful or wanton disregard in the exercise
19 of the supervision and control of the conduct of the juvenile such that the juvenile was adjudicated delinquent for a first
20 offense of inciting a public brawl in violation of subsection c. of
21 N.J.S.2C:33-1; and

22 c. guilty of a disorderly persons offense if the parent or legal
23 guardian demonstrated willful or wanton disregard in the exercise
24 of the supervision and control of the conduct of the juvenile and the
25 juvenile was adjudicated delinquent for a second or subsequent
26 offense of inciting a public brawl in violation of subsection c. of
27 N.J.S.2C:33-1.

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29 2. This act shall take effect ¹【upon the enactment into law of
30 P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as Senate Bill
31 No. 3508 of 2024-2025)】 immediately¹.

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 APS committee amendments adopted June 19, 2025.