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On August 21, 2025, New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy signed in to law [Assembly Bill No.5792](#), requiring employers to provide up to twelve hours of paid, confidential counseling for first responders after critical incidents, with up to twenty-four more hours if needed. Counseling is covered by workers' compensation and must be available during work hours without using leave.

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