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SYNOPSIS

Allows DOE to postpone New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum in certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability
2 Continuum and supplementing Title 18A of the New Jersey
3 Statutes.

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

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8 1. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 11 of P.L.1975,
9 c.212 (C.18A:7A-11) or any other section of law to the contrary, the
10 Commissioner of Education may grant a request to postpone the
11 comprehensive review under the New Jersey Quality Single
12 Accountability Continuum for one school year for any school
13 district in which a school or schools of the district have been
14 damaged, destroyed, or lost as a result of a disaster or hazardous
15 weather event.

16 b. A board of education seeking to postpone the New Jersey
17 Quality Single Accountability Continuum pursuant to subsection a.
18 of this section shall pass a resolution directing the superintendent to
19 request the postponement.

20 c. The Commissioner of Education shall determine whether the
21 requested postponement is granted or denied within 15 business
22 days of receipt of the request.

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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27 STATEMENT

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29 This bill allows the Commissioner of Education to postpone the
30 comprehensive review under the New Jersey Quality Single
31 Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) for one school year for any
32 school district in which a school or schools of the district have been
33 damaged, destroyed, or lost as a result of a disaster or a hazardous
34 weather event.

35 Also under the bill, a board of education seeking to postpone the
36 NJQSAC due to damage to a school building as a result of a disaster
37 or hazardous weather event will pass a resolution directing the
38 superintendent to request the postponement. Upon receipt of the
39 request, the Commissioner of Education will have 15 business days
40 to grant or deny the request.

41 The NJQSAC is the State's monitoring and district self-
42 evaluation system for public school districts. The goal of the
43 NJQSAC is to ensure that all school districts are operating at a high
44 level of performance.