

P.L. 2003, CHAPTER 46, *approved April 23, 2003*

Senate, No. 487 (*Third Reprint*)

1 **AN ACT** concerning domestic violence education and supplementing
2 Title 18A 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 board of education may include instruction on the problems
8 of domestic violence and child abuse in an appropriate place in the
9 curriculum of ³elementary school,³ middle school and high school
10 pupils. The instruction shall enable pupils to understand the
11 psychology and dynamics of family violence, dating violence and child
12 abuse, ¹the relationship of alcohol and drug use to such violence and
13 abuse,¹ the relationship of animal cruelty to such violence and abuse,
14 and to learn methods of non-violent problem-solving. ²[The
15 instruction shall be funded by the "Domestic Violence and Child Abuse
16 Education Fund" established in section 2 of P.L. , c. (C.) (now
17 pending before the Legislature as this bill).]²

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19 ²[2. There is hereby created the "Domestic Violence and Child
20 Abuse Education Fund." The fund shall be a nonlapsing, dedicated
21 fund within the General Fund and administered by the Division of
22 Youth and Family Services of the Department of Human Services.
23 The fund shall be the depository of any moneys made available for its
24 purposes.]²

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26 ²[3. The Department of Human Services shall promulgate rules
27 and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act.]²

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29 ²[4.] 2.² This act shall take effect on the 180th day following
30 enactment.

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35 Provides for instruction for elementary, middle, and high school
36 students in the dynamics of domestic violence and child abuse.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate SED committee amendments adopted June 13, 2002.

² Assembly AED committee amendments adopted December 9, 2002.

³ Assembly floor amendments adopted December 12, 2002.