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**SYNOPSIS**

Modifies support limit for nonpublic security aid to equal per pupil appropriation for security aid for public schools.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning security aid for nonpublic schools and  
2 amending P.L.2016, c.49.

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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. Section 5 of P.L.2016, c.49 (C.18A:58-37.12) is amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 5. a. The support limit **for the 2016-2017 school year** shall  
10 be **[\$75]** equal to the State appropriation for security aid pursuant  
11 to section 14 of P.L.2007, c.260 (C.18A:7F-56) for the budget year  
12 divided by the Statewide projected resident enrollment for the  
13 budget year. **For each school year thereafter the commissioner**  
14 **shall determine the support limit by multiplying the support limit**  
15 **for the previous school year times the sum of 1.0 plus the average**  
16 **annual percentage increase in the consumer price index for the New**  
17 **York and Philadelphia areas during the fiscal year preceding the**  
18 **prebudget year as reported by the United States Department of**  
19 **Labor.**

20 b. On or before November 5 of each year, each board of  
21 education shall forward to the Commissioner of Education an  
22 estimate of the cost of providing, during the next school year, the  
23 security services, equipment, or technology required pursuant to  
24 **[this act] P.L.2016, c.49 (C.18A:58-37.8 et seq.)** and the number of  
25 students attending nonpublic schools located within the district as  
26 of the last school day of October of the current school year. The  
27 commissioner shall provide State aid to each school district in an  
28 amount equal to the number of nonpublic school students within the  
29 district identified by the district on or before November 5 multiplied  
30 by the State support limit. In the event that the expenditure  
31 incurred by any district is less than the amount of State aid  
32 received, the district shall refund the unexpended State aid after the  
33 completion of the school year, but not later than December 1 of the  
34 following school year.

35 c. If in any year, the amount of State aid appropriated is  
36 insufficient to carry out in full the provisions of **[this act]**  
37 **P.L.2016, c.49 (C.18A:58-37.8 et seq.)**, the commissioner shall  
38 apportion that appropriation among the districts in proportion to the  
39 State aid each district would have received had the full amount of  
40 State aid been appropriated. In any year, no district shall be  
41 required to make expenditures for the purposes of this act in excess  
42 of the amount of State aid received for these purposes.

43 (cf: P.L.2016, c.49, s.5)

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45 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first be  
46 applicable to the first full school year following enactment.

**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.

1 STATEMENT

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3 Under current law, school districts receive nonpublic security aid  
4 to provide security services, equipment, or technology to nonpublic  
5 schools located in the district. In the 2016-2017 school year, the  
6 per pupil funding equaled \$75, and would increase annually by the  
7 CPI. This bill changes the per pupil funding amount to equal the  
8 amount of security aid appropriated to school districts pursuant to  
9 the “School Funding Reform Act of 2008,” P.L.2007, c.260  
10 (C.18A:7F-43 et al.) divided by the Statewide total projected  
11 resident enrollment. In FY 2018, this amount equaled \$148 per  
12 pupil.