

ASSEMBLY, No. 4956

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 218th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Provides that school district may not condition student enrollment in district on fact that MVC does not have name or address of parent or guardian on file.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning school district enrollment and amending
2 P.L.2015, c.161.

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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 1 of P.L.2015, c.161 (C.18A:38-1.3) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 1. a. In the case of a dispute between a school district and the
10 parents or guardians of a student in regard to a student's eligibility
11 to enroll in the district or to remain enrolled in the district pursuant
12 to the provisions of N.J.S.18A:38-1, the school district may request
13 from the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission the parent or
14 guardian's name and address for use in verifying a student's
15 eligibility for enrollment in the school district.

16 b. The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission shall disclose to
17 a school district the information requested pursuant to subsection a.
18 of this section in accordance with procedures established by the
19 commission.

20 c. A school district shall not condition enrollment in the district
21 on immigration status or on the fact that the commission does not
22 have the name or address of the parent or guardian on file.

23 (cf: P.L.2015, c.161, s.1)

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25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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30 Under current law, P.L.2015, c.161 (C.18A:38-1.3), in the case
31 of a dispute between a school district and a parent or guardian in
32 regard to a student's right to enroll or remain enrolled in the district
33 based on domicile in the district, the school district may request
34 from the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission the parent or
35 guardian's name and address for use in verifying the student's
36 eligibility for enrollment. The law stipulates that a school district
37 may not condition enrollment in the district on immigration status.

38 This bill provides that a school district also may not condition
39 enrollment on the fact that the commission does not have the name
40 or address of the parent or guardian on file.

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.