

# ASSEMBLY, No. 3000

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that public school parent who objects to learning material or activity that parent considers harmful may receive voucher from school district to enroll student in nonpublic school.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning vouchers for certain public school students and  
2 supplementing chapter 35 of 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. In the event that the parent or guardian of a student enrolled  
9 in a school district objects to a learning material or activity that is  
10 part of the curriculum, on the basis that the material or activity is  
11 harmful, withdraws his child from the school district and enrolls the  
12 child in a nonpublic school, the resident school district shall provide  
13 the parent or guardian with a voucher to support the tuition and fees  
14 of the nonpublic school. The voucher shall equal 75 percent of the  
15 resident school district's annual spending per pupil prorated based  
16 upon the number of days remaining in the school year.

17 An objection to a learning material or activity on the basis that it  
18 is harmful includes, but is not limited to, an objection that the  
19 material or activity questions, violates, or conflicts with the parent  
20 or guardian's belief or practice regarding sex, sexuality, sexual  
21 orientation, gender identity or expression, conscience, ethics,  
22 morality, or religion.

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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27 STATEMENT

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