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SYNOPSIS

Provides for postponement of New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum review for certain school districts.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Appropriations Committee on November 12, 2020, with amendments.



1 AN ACT concerning the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability
 2 Continuum and supplementing P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-3 et
 3 seq.).

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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 Department of Education shall postpone the comprehensive review
 11 under the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum
 12 until the 2021-2022 school year for any school district that ¹is
 13 required to undergo¹:

14 (1) ¹is required to undergo¹ a comprehensive review in the
 15 ¹[2019-2020] 2020-2021¹ school year¹, which review was not
 16 completed due to the COVID-19-related school closures¹; ¹[or]
 17 and¹

18 (2) ¹[a comprehensive review in the 2020-2021 school year]
 19 was designated as a high performing district pursuant to section 14
 20 of P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-14) in the school district's most
 21 recent comprehensive review¹.

22 b. If a school district is required to undergo a comprehensive
 23 review in the 2021-2022 school year due to the postponement
 24 provided under subsection a. of this section, then the school district
 25 shall undergo its next following comprehensive review three years
 26 after the school year in which its comprehensive review was
 27 originally scheduled to take place.

28 c. ¹[The postponement of the comprehensive review for school
 29 districts under subsection a. of this subsection shall not disrupt the
 30 comprehensive review schedule for any other school district.

31 d. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section to the
 32 contrary, the Commissioner of Education may exempt a school
 33 district, upon request, from the postponement of the comprehensive
 34 review required pursuant to this section] A school district that is
 35 required to undergo a comprehensive review in the 2020-2021
 36 school year and was not designated as a high performing district
 37 pursuant to section 14 of P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-14) in the
 38 school district's most recent comprehensive review shall undergo a
 39 comprehensive review under the New Jersey Quality Single
 40 Accountability Continuum in the 2020-2021 school year, except
 41 that such a district may postpone its comprehensive review until the
 42 2021-2022 school year if the district provides written notification to
 43 the Commissioner of Education that it is not able to complete the
 44 review due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted November 12, 2020.

- 1 d. If a school district postpones its comprehensive review until
2 the 2021-2022 school year pursuant to subsection c. of this section,
3 then the school district shall undergo its next following
4 comprehensive review three years after the school year in which its
5 comprehensive review was originally scheduled to take place¹.
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7 2. This act shall take effect immediately.