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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 amended by the General Assembly on November 16, 2020.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/10/2020)

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
 9 P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-11) or any other section of law to the
 10 contrary, the Department of Education shall postpone the
 11 comprehensive review under the New Jersey Quality Single
 12 Accountability Continuum ²**[until the 2021-2022 school year for]**
 13 of² any school district that ¹[is required to undergo]¹:

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 of
 20 P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-14) in the school district's most recent
 21 comprehensive review¹.

22 b. If ²the comprehensive review of² a school district is
 23 ²**[required to undergo a comprehensive review in the 2021-2022**
 24 **school year due to the postponement provided] postponed²** under
 25 subsection a. of this section, then the school district shall undergo
 26 its next ²**[following]²** comprehensive review three years after the
 27 school year in which its comprehensive review was originally
 28 scheduled to take place.

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

32 d. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section to the
 33 contrary, the Commissioner of Education may exempt a school
 34 district, upon request, from the postponement of the comprehensive
 35 review required pursuant to this section **]** A school district that is
 36 required to undergo a comprehensive review in the 2020-2021 school
 37 year and was not designated as a high performing district pursuant to
 38 section 14 of P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-14) in the school district's
 39 most recent comprehensive review shall undergo a comprehensive
 40 review under the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability
 41 Continuum in the 2020-2021 school year, except that such a district
 42 may postpone its comprehensive review until the 2021-2022 school
 43 year if the district provides written notification to the Commissioner of
 44 Education that it is not able to complete the review due to the impacts
 45 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.

²Assembly floor amendments adopted November 16, 2020.

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

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7 2. This act shall take effect immediately.