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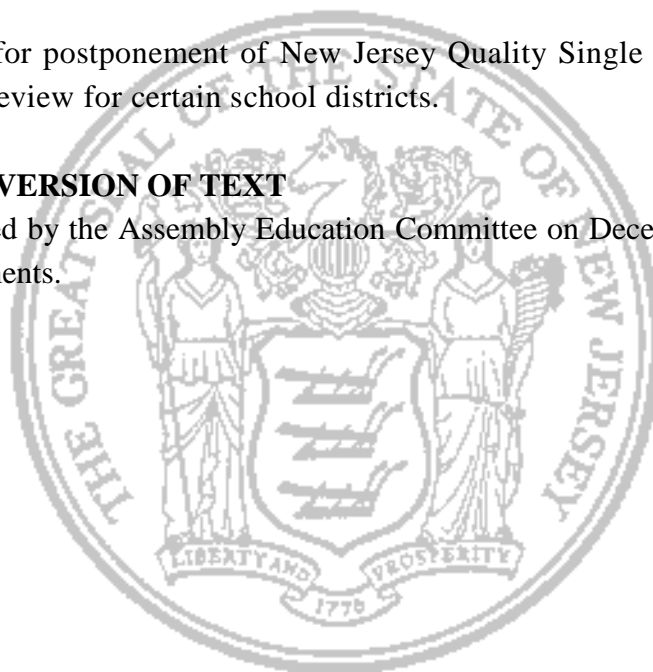
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SYNOPSIS

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

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on December 14, 2020, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/17/2020)

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. ³(1)³ 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] of²
13 any school district that ¹[is required to undergo]¹:

14 ³[(1)] (a)³ ¹is required to undergo¹ a comprehensive review in
15 the ¹[2019-2020] 2020-2021¹ school year¹[, which review was not
16 completed due to the COVID-19-related school closures]¹; ¹[or] and¹

17 ³[(2)] (b)³ ¹[a comprehensive review in the 2020-2021 school
18 year] was designated as a high performing district pursuant to section
19 14 of P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-14) in the school district's most
20 recent comprehensive review¹.

21 ³(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection to the
22 contrary, the Commissioner of Education shall permit a school district
23 that is subject to the postponement of a comprehensive review under
24 paragraph (1) of this subsection to undergo a comprehensive review in
25 the 2020-2021 school year, upon request by the school district. A
26 school district that undergoes a comprehensive review in the 2020-
27 2021 school year pursuant to this paragraph shall undergo its next
28 comprehensive review three years after the 2020-2021 school year.³

29 b. If ²the comprehensive review of² a school district is ²[required
30 to undergo a comprehensive review in the 2021-2022 school year due
31 to the postponement provided] postponed² under ³paragraph (1) of³
32 subsection a. of this section, then the school district shall undergo its
33 next ²[following]² comprehensive review three years after the school
34 year in which its comprehensive review was originally scheduled to
35 take place.

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

39 d. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section to the contrary,
40 the Commissioner of Education may exempt a school district, upon
41 request, from the postponement of the comprehensive review required
42 pursuant to this section] A school district that is required to undergo a
43 comprehensive review in the 2020-2021 school year and was not

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.

³Assembly AED committee amendments adopted December 14, 2020.

1 designated as a high performing district pursuant to section 14 of
2 P.L.1975, c.212 (C.18A:7A-14) in the school district's most recent
3 comprehensive review shall undergo a comprehensive review under
4 the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum in the 2020-
5 2021 school year, except that such a district may postpone its
6 comprehensive review until the 2021-2022 school year if the district
7 provides written notification to the Commissioner of Education that it
8 is not able to complete the review due to the impacts of the COVID-19
9 pandemic.

10 d. If a school district postpones its comprehensive review until
11 the 2021-2022 school year pursuant to subsection c. of this section,
12 then the school district shall undergo its next following comprehensive
13 review three years after the school year in which its comprehensive
14 review was originally scheduled to take place¹.

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16 2. This act shall take effect immediately.