

# SENATE, No. 716

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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**SYNOPSIS**

Permits school district of residence to provide aid in-lieu-of transportation to pupil attending Marine Academy of Science and Technology provided certain conditions are met.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT concerning transportation to the Marine Academy of  
2 Science and Technology and amending P.L.1983, c.341.

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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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8 1. Section 6 of P.L.1983, c.341 (C.18A:54C-7) is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 6. Transportation for pupils attending the Marine Academy of  
11 Science and Technology shall be provided by the district in which  
12 the pupil resides; except that in the case of a pupil whose school  
13 district of residence is not located in the county in which the  
14 academy is located and the pupil resides more than 40 miles from  
15 the academy, then the parent, guardian, or other person having legal  
16 custody of the pupil shall be eligible to receive the amount  
17 determined pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1981, c.57 (C.18A:39-1a).

18 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section to the contrary,  
19 pupils enrolled in and attending the regular full-time program at the  
20 Marine Academy of Science and Technology on the effective date  
21 of P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall  
22 receive transportation until graduation from the academy in  
23 accordance with the provisions of this section as the same read prior  
24 to the effective date of P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature  
25 as this bill).

26 (cf: P.L.1983, c.341, s.6)

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28 2. This act shall take effect on July 1 of the first full school  
29 year following the date of enactment.

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32 STATEMENT

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34 This bill revises the requirements for providing pupil  
35 transportation to students attending the Marine Academy of Science  
36 and Technology which is a county vocational school located in  
37 Monmouth County. Currently, the school district in which a  
38 student resides is required to provide transportation if a student  
39 resides more than two and one-half miles from his county  
40 vocational school of attendance, regardless of the distance to the  
41 county vocational school or the cost of the transportation. This bill  
42 would continue to require resident school districts to provide  
43 transportation to all of their pupils attending the Marine Academy  
44 of Science and Technology, except in the case of students who  
45 reside outside of Monmouth County and more than 40 miles from

**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.

1 the academy. In this case the student's parent or guardian would be  
2 eligible to receive the aid-in-lieu-of transportation amount, which in  
3 the 2018-2019 school year is \$1,000. The bill also includes a  
4 grandfather provision for these students residing outside the county  
5 and more than 40 miles from the academy, if they are enrolled in  
6 and attending the regular full-time program at the academy on the  
7 bill's effective date. Under the grandfather provision, these  
8 students will continue to receive transportation from the resident  
9 school district until graduation from the academy.