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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits distribution to students of literature that promotes, favors, or opposes candidacy of any candidate for election at any general, municipal, or school election.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning the distribution of campaign literature to
2 students and amending N.J.S.18A:42-4.

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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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7 1. N.J.S.18A:42-4 is amended to read as follows:

8 18A:42-4. No literature which in any manner and in any part
9 thereof promotes, favors or opposes the candidacy of any candidate
10 for election at any **annual** general, municipal, or school election,
11 or the adoption of any bond issue, proposal, or any public question
12 submitted at any general, municipal or school election shall be
13 given to any public school pupil in any public school building or on
14 the grounds thereof for the purpose of having such pupil take the
15 same to his home or distribute it to any person outside of said
16 building or grounds, nor shall any pupil be requested or directed by
17 any official or employee of the public schools to engage in any
18 activity which tends to promote, favor or oppose any such
19 candidacy, bond issue, proposal, or public question. The board of
20 education of each school district shall prescribe necessary rules to
21 carry out the purposes of this section.

22 (cf: N.J.S.18A:42-4)

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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27 STATEMENT

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29 Current law prohibits the distribution to students of literature that
30 promotes, favors, or opposes the candidacy of any candidate for
31 election at any annual school election or the adoption of any bond
32 issue, proposal, or any public question submitted at any general,
33 municipal, or school election. This bill amends the law to extend
34 the prohibition to the distribution to students of literature regarding
35 the candidacy of any candidate of any general, municipal, or school
36 election.

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.