

ASSEMBLY, No. 911

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblymen ROCCO and WOLFE

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2 AN ACT regarding monitoring of public schools and supplementing
3 chapter 7A of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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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 any law to the contrary, a school district
9 which for two consecutive years since it was last certified as providing
10 a thorough and efficient education pursuant to section 14 of P.L.1975,
11 c.212 (C.18A:7A-14) is rated as acceptable on all pupil performance
12 indicators and all pupil behavior indicators as adopted by the State
13 Board of Education for the evaluation of the performance of each
14 public school district shall not be required to be certified again for a
15 period of ten years from the date it was last certified or at such time
16 as it fails to meet all pupil performance and pupil behavior indicators,
17 whichever occurs earlier.

18 b. The Commissioner of Education may require the recertification
19 of any district prior to the expiration of the ten year period if the
20 commissioner deems it to be necessary.

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22 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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25 STATEMENT

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27 This bill provides that a school district which meets all pupil
28 performance indicators and all pupil behavior indicators as adopted by
29 the State Board of Education, for two consecutive years since it was
30 last certified by the State, shall not be required to be certified again for
31 a period of ten years from the date the district was last certified, or
32 until such time as it fails to meet all pupil performance or pupil
33 behavior indicators, whichever occurs earlier. Currently a school
34 district must be monitored every seven years.

35 Under the bill's provisions, the commissioner may require the

1 recertification of any district prior to the expiration of the ten year
2 period if the commissioner deems it necessary.

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7 Provides that any school district rated acceptable on pupil performance
8 and pupil behavior indicators need not be monitored for ten years.