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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senator PALAIA

1 AN ACT establishing a Task Force on Diabetes and the Schools and
2 making an appropriation.

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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. There is established a Task Force on Diabetes and the Schools
8 to consist of the following ¹[9] 12¹ members:one member to be
9 appointed by the President of the Senate, and one member to be
10 appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly, both of whom shall
11 be a parent of a student with diabetes attending the public schools; one
12 member to be appointed by the Governor who shall be a representative
13 of a non-public school; the Commissioner of Education, or his
14 designee; one school administrator selected by the New Jersey
15 Association of School Administrators; one local school board member
16 selected by the New Jersey School Boards Association; one public
17 school teacher selected by the New Jersey Education Association; one
18 public school ¹[teacher] principal or supervisor¹ selected by the New
19 Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association; ¹a pediatrician selected
20 by the Academy of Pediatrics-New Jersey; a certified school nurse
21 selected by the New Jersey State Nurses Association; a certified
22 school nurse selected by the New Jersey State School Nurses
23 Association;¹ and one representative from the American Diabetes
24 Association, New Jersey Affiliate.

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26 2. All appointments shall be made within 30 days after the effective
27 date of this act. Vacancies in the membership of the task force shall
28 be filled in the same manner as the original appointments were made.
29 Members of the task force shall serve without compensation.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate SED committee amendments adopted December 1, 1997.

1 3. The task force shall organize within 30 days after the
2 appointment of its members and shall select a chairperson and a vice-
3 chairperson from among its members and a secretary who need not be
4 a member of the task force.

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6 4. It shall be the duty of the task force to develop guidelines on the
7 most appropriate and effective means of providing care for students
8 with diabetes in the school setting. In particular, the guidelines shall
9 include, but need not be limited to:

10 a. the establishment of a standardized but flexible system of
11 procedures to enable a school to implement an individualized
12 treatment plan for a diabetic student;

13 b. the establishment of basic procedures to ensure that a school
14 works in conjunction with the student's parents and medical care
15 providers; and

16 c. the establishment of procedures to ensure that a student's
17 diabetes care is integrated into the usual school routine to the greatest
18 extent possible.

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20 5. Staff and related support services shall be provided to the task
21 force by the Department of Education. The task force shall also be
22 entitled to call to its assistance and avail itself of the services of the
23 employees of any State, county or municipal department, board,
24 bureau, commission or agency as it may require and as may be
25 available to it for its purposes.

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27 6. a. The task force may meet and hold hearings at the place or
28 places it designates during the sessions or recesses of the Legislature
29 and shall present its guidelines to the State Board of Education no
30 later than six months following its organizational meeting.

31 b. After review by the State board, the Department of Education
32 shall disseminate the guidelines to all school districts. The department
33 shall periodically update the guidelines as required to incorporate
34 revised protocols on the care of diabetic students.

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36 7. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the task force
37 \$5,000 to effectuate the purposes of this act.

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39 8. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire 30 days
40 after the submission of the task force guidelines.

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45 Establishes the Task Force on Diabetes and the Schools; appropriates
46 \$5,000.