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Introduced by Sen. NOZZOLIO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring tax levy information and percentage increase to be sent to all voters

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 2-a of section 2022 of the
2 education law, as added by section 3 of part A of chapter 60 of the laws
3 of 2000, is amended to read as follows:
4 a. Commencing with the proposed budget for the two thousand one--two
5 thousand two school year, such notice shall also include a description
6 of how total spending and the tax levy, AND, COMMENCING WITH THE
7 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN--TWO THOUSAND TWELVE SCHOOL
8 YEAR, THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR DECREASE IN THE TAX LEVY resulting from
9 the proposed budget would compare with a projected contingency budget
10 adopted pursuant to section two thousand twenty-three of this article,
11 assuming that such contingency budget is adopted on the same day as the
12 vote on the proposed budget. Such comparison shall be in total and by
13 component (program, capital and administrative), and shall include a
14 statement of the assumptions made in estimating the projected contingency
15 budget.
16 S 2. Section 1716 of the education law is amended by adding two new
17 subdivisions 8 and 9 to read as follows:
18 8. COMMENCING WITH THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND
19 ELEVEN--TWO THOUSAND TWELVE SCHOOL YEAR, THE PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD
20 SHALL BE MAILED TO ALL QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AFTER THE
21 DATE OF THE BUDGET HEARING, BUT NO LATER THAN SIX DAYS PRIOR TO THE
22 ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OR SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING AT WHICH A
23 SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE WILL OCCUR.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 9. COMMENCING WITH THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND
2 ELEVEN--TWO THOUSAND TWELVE SCHOOL YEAR, ALL DOCUMENTS PREPARED BY THE
3 BOARD OF EDUCATION AND/OR SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT INFORM THE PUBLIC, WHETH-
4 ER BY ELECTRONIC, HARDCOPY, OR OTHER MEANS, ABOUT PROPOSED TAX RATE
5 INCREASES OR DECREASES, AND/OR PERCENTAGE INCREASES OR DECREASES,
6 RESULTING FROM A PROPOSED BUDGET, SHALL INCLUDE THE PROPOSED BUDGET
7 INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND THE
8 PROPOSED TAX LEVY INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR
9 DECREASE, ON THE SAME PAGE, AND IN THE SAME FONT STYLE AND SIZE, AS THE
10 PROPOSED TAX RATE CHANGE.

11 S 3. Section 1608 of the education law is amended by adding two new
12 subdivisions 8 and 9 to read as follows:

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26 PROPOSED TAX LEVY INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR
27 DECREASE, ON THE SAME PAGE, AND IN THE SAME FONT STYLE AND SIZE, AS THE
28 PROPOSED TAX RATE CHANGE.

29 S 4. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
30 the date on which it shall have become a law; provided, however, that
31 effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule
32 or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effec-
33 tive date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on or
34 before such effective date.