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Introduced by Sen. FLANAGAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted said committee -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to allowing a principal employed by a district to make a written request to the board of education for an extended leave of absence to teach at a charter school

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

- Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 2854 of the education law, is amended by adding a new paragraph (d-1) to read as follows:
- 3 (D-1) IN A SCHOOL DISTRICT OF A CITY HAVING A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE, A PRINCIPAL EMPLOYED BY SUCH SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY MAKE A

WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR AN EXTENDED LEAVE OF

- 6 ABSENCE TO SERVE AS A PRINCIPAL OF A CHARTER SCHOOL. APPROVAL FOR SUCH A 7 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS OR LESS SHALL NOT BE UNREA-
- 8 SONABLY WITHHELD. IF SUCH APPROVAL IS GRANTED TO A PRINCIPAL 9
- SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE PRINCIPAL MAY RETURN TO SERVE AS A PRINCIPAL IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DURING SUCH PERIOD OF LEAVE WITHOUT THE LOSS OF ANY 10
- SENIORITY, 11 RIGHT OF CERTIFICATION, RETIREMENT, SALARY STATUS OTHER BENEFIT PROVIDED BY LAW OR BY COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT. 12
- POSITION IS UNAVAILABLE, THE PRINCIPAL'S NAME SHALL BE 13 APPROPRIATE
- 14 PLACED ON A PREFERRED ELIGIBLE LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT 15 THAT MAY THEREAFTER OCCUR IN AN OFFICE OR POSITION SIMILAR TO
- THE ONE SUCH PRINCIPAL FILLED IN SUCH SCHOOL DISTRICT IMMEDIATELY 16
- 17 TO THE LEAVE OF SERVICE.

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18 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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