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IN SENATE -- Introduced by Sen. LAVALLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

IN ASSEMBLY -- Introduced by M. of A. THIELE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT in relation to the Tuckahoe common school district merger with the Southampton school district in Suffolk county

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

1     Section 1. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, upon voter  
2 approval of the dissolution and annexation of the Tuckahoe common school  
3 district into the Southampton school district in Suffolk county, such  
4 successor school district shall be authorized to establish a reserve for  
5 tax reduction pursuant to subdivision 37 of section 1709 of the educa-  
6 tion law. The proceeds of such reserve fund shall only include the  
7 proceeds of a capital reserve fund established by the Southampton school  
8 district existing before the voter approval of the dissolution and anne-  
9 xation of the Tuckahoe common school district, for the purposes of  
10 construction of a new district office building, where the school board  
11 of the successor school district determines by resolution that such  
12 capital project and reserve fund is no longer necessary for the opera-  
13 tion of the successor district. The proceeds of such reserve for tax  
14 reduction shall only be utilized for tax reduction for taxpayers of the  
15 Southampton school district existing before the voter approval of the  
16 dissolution and annexation of the Tuckahoe common school district, in  
17 the manner provided for by this act.

18     S 2. The successor school district shall annually provide a detailed  
19 report of the condition of the school district reserve for tax  
20 reduction, including but not limited to: (a) the date the fund was  
21 established, (b) the balance of the fund at the close of the immediately  
22 preceding school year, (c) the amount of interest earned at the close of  
23 the immediately preceding school year, and (d) a schedule of the amounts  
24 invested.

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

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1     S 3. Funds in the school district reserve for tax reduction shall be  
2 used to maintain the successor school district estimated tax rate for  
3 taxpayers of the Southampton school district existing before the voter  
4 approval of the dissolution and annexation of the Tuckahoe common school  
5 district at the level of such tax rate in the Southampton school  
6 district for the school year before the voter approval of the dissol-  
7 ution and annexation of the Tuckahoe common school district.

8     S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.