

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 30, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the qualifications to serve as a member of the citywide council on English language learners and of the citywide council on high schools

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of
2 section 2590-b of the education law, as amended by chapter 103 of the
3 laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

4 (i) nine voting members who shall be parents of students who are or at
5 any time in the past have been enrolled in a bilingual or English as a
6 second language program conducted pursuant to section thirty-two hundred
7 four of this chapter~~[, some of whom may be parents of students who have~~
8 ~~been in such a program within the preceding two years]~~, to be selected
9 by parents of students who receive or have ever received such services
10 pursuant to a representative process developed by the chancellor. Such
11 members shall serve a two year term and shall be eligible to continue
12 serving their term following the conclusion of their child's enrollment
13 in a bilingual or English as a second language program;

14 § 2. Subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 6 of section
15 2590-b of the education law, as added by chapter 345 of the laws of
16 2009, is amended to read as follows:

17 (iii) one voting member who shall be a parent of a student who is or
18 at any time in the past has been enrolled in a bilingual or English as a
19 second language program conducted in a public high school. Such member
20 shall be appointed by the city-wide council on English language learners,
21 and shall serve a two year term and shall be eligible to continue
22 serving their term following the conclusion of their child's enrollment
23 in a bilingual or English as a second language program;

24 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately, provided, however, that
25 the amendments to section 2590-b of the education law made by sections
26 one and two of this act shall not affect the expiration or repeal of
27 such provisions and shall expire and be deemed repealed therewith.

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

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