

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prior year claims due to school districts

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph c of subdivision 5 of section 3604 of the education law, as added by chapter 82 of the laws of 1995, is amended to read  
2 as follows:

3 c. Payment of moneys due for prior years. (i) State aid payments due  
4 for prior years in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision  
5 shall be paid within the limit of the appropriation designated therefor  
6 provided, however, that each eligible claim shall be payable in the  
7 order that it has been approved for payment by the commissioner, but in  
8 no case shall a single claim draw down more than forty percent of the  
9 appropriation so designated for a single year, and provided further that  
10 no claim shall be set aside for insufficiency of funds to make a  
11 complete payment, but shall be eligible for a partial payment in one  
12 year and shall retain its priority date status for appropriations designated for such purposes in future years.

13 (ii) Notwithstanding subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, all funds  
14 obtained as the result of any settlement with the office of the attorney  
15 general shall be applied to payment of money due to school districts for  
16 prior years after the distribution of funds necessary to fulfill the  
17 obligations of the office of the attorney general, but before any  
18 remaining funds shall be apportioned to the general fund.

19 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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