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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the use of monies received for costs associated with providing universal prekindergarten

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

Section 1. Subdivision 10 of section 3602-e of the education law is amended by adding a new paragraph d to read as follows:

D. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, UPON A SHOWING THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN UNABLE TO EXPEND THE MAXIMUM ALLOCATION THAT SUCH DISTRICT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PROVIDING UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN IN ANY SCHOOL YEAR, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO GRANT A WAIVER FROM ANY LAW TO THE CONTRARY TO ALLOW SUCH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO EXPEND GRANT FUNDS FOR EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PROVISION OF FULL-DAY PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS, AFTER-SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWO OR OTHER PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER THAT ARE DESIGNED TO IMPROVE STUDENT ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE IN PREKINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWO. EXPENDITURES MADE PURSUANT TO SUCH WAIVER SHALL BE DEEMED ALLOWABLE GRANT EXPENDITURES FOR ALL PURPOSES UNDER THIS SECTION.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

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