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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring the governing body of each school district, which eliminates certain teaching positions for any school year, to eliminate funding for interscholastic sports programs

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 1527-a to read as follows:

S 1527-A. SCHOOL BUDGET REDUCTIONS. DURING THE CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET FOR ANY SCHOOL YEAR IN WHICH THERE IS THE PROPOSED ELIMINATION OF ANY POSITION OF A TEACHER OF SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS, SPECIAL EDUCATION, LANGUAGE ARTS OR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS FROM THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SCHOOL YEAR, BECAUSE OF ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL FIRST INCLUDE IN SUCH PROPOSED BUDGET ELIMINATION OF FUNDING FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS PROGRAMS.

S 2. On or before December 1, 2009, the education department shall develop and implement, by rule, a plan for every school district which reduces its budget, because of New York state's worsening economic conditions, requiring each such district to eliminate funding for interscholastic sports programs before it proposes elimination of mathematics, science, language arts, special education or English language learners teachers.

S 3. 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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