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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to notification of discharge from attendance upon instruction

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

Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 3211 of the education law is amended and a new subdivision 5 is added to read as follows:

4. Duties of principal or person in charge of the instruction of a minor. The principal of a school, or other person in charge of the instruction upon which a minor attends, as provided by THIS part [one of this article], shall cause the record of his OR HER attendance to be kept and produced and all appropriate inquiries in relation thereto answered as hereinbefore required. He OR SHE shall give prompt notification in writing to the school authorities of the city or district of the discharge or transfer of any such minor from attendance upon instruction, stating the date of the discharge, its cause, the name of the minor, his OR HER date of birth, his OR HER place of residence prior to and following discharge, if such place of residence be known, and the name of the person in parental relation to the minor, A CLEAR BREAKDOWN OF ALL DISCHARGES AND DROPOUTS FOR STUDENTS AGED TWENTY-ONE AND UNDER, AND THE REASONS THEY ARE NO LONGER IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM, A DEMOGRAPHIC AND RACIAL BREAKDOWN OF ALL DISCHARGED STUDENTS, THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE WHO ARE SEEKING OR ENROLLED IN GED PROGRAMS, THE NUMBER OF DISCHARGED STUDENTS AND THEIR EDUCATIONAL STATUS PRIOR TO BEING DISCHARGED, THE NUMBER OF ALL SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS WHO WERE DISCHARGED, THE NUMBER OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER (ELL) STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED, AND WHAT SUPPORT OR SERVICES WERE OFFERED TO THE STUDENT BEFORE DISCHARGE.

5. COLLECTION OF DATA. ANY DATA COLLECTED SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF THE END OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE TO THE LEGISLATURE A REPORT COMPILING SUCH INFORMATION AND SUBMIT TO THE CHAIR OF THE SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND THE CHAIR OF THE ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER THIRTIETH OF EACH YEAR. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ALSO PRODUCE GENERAL STATEWIDE DATA THAT SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

S 2. 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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