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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to reports by the education department

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 115 to read as follows:

S 115. REPORT ON OUTDOOR PLAYSPACE IN THE NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAKE AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER FIRST OF EACH YEAR OF ITS FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING MATTERS REGARDING THE NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SHALL SUBMIT WITH ITS REPORTS SUCH LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THE AVAILABILITY, SIZE AND CONDITION OF OUTDOOR FACILITIES FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AT EACH NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL, INCLUDING WHETHER EACH SCHOOL HAS A PLAYGROUND, SCHOOLYARD, ATHLETIC FIELDS OR TRACK ON ITS GROUNDS OR A NEARBY PARK SUITABLE FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY;

2. PLANNED INCLUSION OF OUTDOOR PLAYSPACE IN NEW CAPACITY-GENERATING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS INCLUDING NEW SCHOOLS AND THE IMPACT OF MAJOR RENOVATIONS OR CHANGES TO EXISTING OUTDOOR FACILITIES; AND

3. THE UTILIZATION OF TEMPORARY CLASSROOM UNITS (TCUS) AT EACH NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL, INCLUDING THE IMPACT ON OUTDOOR PLAYSPACE, THE LENGTH AND EXPECTED DURATION OF USE AND FUTURE PLANS FOR USE OF TCUS AT THE SCHOOL.

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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