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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to creating an exception to school busing requirements in the city of New York for restoration of past services

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

Section 1. Paragraph c of subdivision 1 of section 3635 of the education law, as amended by chapter 171 of the laws of 1996, is amended to read as follows:

c. The foregoing provisions of this subdivision shall not require transportation to be provided for children residing within a city school district, but if provided by such district pursuant to other provisions of this chapter, such transportation shall be offered equally to all such children in like circumstances; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IN CITIES WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE, EXCEPTIONS SHALL BE GRANTED TO ALLOW THE USE OF EXISTING CONTRACT BUS SERVICE PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY GRADES BY PUPILS IN GRADES SEVEN AND EIGHT, BUT ONLY WHERE SUCH USE IS AN EXTENSION OR REINSTATEMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER, TWO THOUSAND TEN, IN WHICH CASE THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL NOT APPLY; provided further that in city school districts in cities having a population of one hundred twenty-five thousand inhabitants or less such transportation, if provided, shall be subject to the mileage limitations prescribed in paragraph a of this subdivision or such greater or lesser limitations as are approved by the board of education prior to July first, nineteen hundred ninety-six or as otherwise authorized in subdivision twelve of section twenty-five hundred three of this chapter. City school districts with a population of more than two hundred twenty-five thousand and less than three hundred thousand, according to the nineteen hundred eighty federal census, which elect to provide transportation shall do so in accord with the grade and distance provisions of this subdivision including transportation outside the city limits.

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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