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Introduced by Sens. NOZZOLIO, LARKIN, YOUNG -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring tax levy information and percentage increase to be sent to all voters

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 2-a of section 2022 of the
2 education law, as amended by section 7 of part A of chapter 97 of the
3 laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:
4 a. Commencing with the proposed budget for the two thousand one--two
5 thousand two school year, such notice shall also include a description
6 of how total spending and the tax levy, AND, COMMENCING WITH THE
7 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND TWELVE--TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN
8 SCHOOL YEAR, THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR DECREASE IN THE TAX LEVY result-
9 ing from the proposed budget would compare with a projected contingency
10 budget adopted pursuant to section two thousand twenty-three of this
11 [article] PART, assuming that such contingency budget is adopted on the
12 same day as the vote on the proposed budget. Such comparison shall be in
13 total and by component (program, capital and administrative), and shall
14 include a statement of the assumptions made in estimating the projected
15 contingency budget.
16 S 2. Paragraph a of subdivision 2-a of section 2022 of the education
17 law, as added by section 3 of part A of chapter 60 of the laws of 2000,
18 is amended to read as follows:
19 a. Commencing with the proposed budget for the two thousand one--two
20 thousand two school year, such notice shall also include a description
21 of how total spending and the tax levy, AND, COMMENCING WITH THE

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

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1 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN--TWO THOUSAND TWELVE SCHOOL
2 YEAR, THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR DECREASE IN THE TAX LEVY resulting from
3 the proposed budget would compare with a projected contingency budget
4 adopted pursuant to section two thousand twenty-three of this [article]
5 PART, assuming that such contingency budget is adopted on the same day
6 as the vote on the proposed budget. Such comparison shall be in total
7 and by component (program, capital and administrative), and shall
8 include a statement of the assumptions made in estimating the projected
9 contingency budget.

10 S 3. Section 1716 of the education law is amended by adding two new
11 subdivisions 8 and 9 to read as follows:

12 8. COMMENCING WITH THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND
13 TWELVE--TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN SCHOOL YEAR, THE PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD
14 SHALL BE MAILED TO ALL QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AFTER THE
15 DATE OF THE BUDGET HEARING, BUT NO LATER THAN SIX DAYS PRIOR TO THE
16 ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OR SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING AT WHICH A
17 SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE WILL OCCUR.

18 9. COMMENCING WITH THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND
19 TWELVE--TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN SCHOOL YEAR, ALL DOCUMENTS PREPARED BY THE
20 BOARD OF EDUCATION AND/OR SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT INFORM THE PUBLIC, WHETH-
21 ER BY ELECTRONIC, HARDCOPY, OR OTHER MEANS, ABOUT PROPOSED TAX RATE
22 INCREASES OR DECREASES, AND/OR PERCENTAGE INCREASES OR DECREASES,
23 RESULTING FROM A PROPOSED BUDGET, SHALL INCLUDE THE PROPOSED BUDGET
24 INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND THE
25 PROPOSED TAX LEVY INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR
26 DECREASE, ON THE SAME PAGE, AND IN THE SAME FONT STYLE AND SIZE, AS THE
27 PROPOSED TAX RATE CHANGE.

28 S 4. Section 1608 of the education law is amended by adding two new
29 subdivisions 8 and 9 to read as follows:

30 8. COMMENCING WITH THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE TWO THOUSAND
31 TWELVE--TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN SCHOOL YEAR, THE PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD
32 SHALL BE MAILED TO ALL QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AFTER THE
33 DATE OF THE BUDGET HEARING, BUT NO LATER THAN SIX DAYS PRIOR TO THE
34 ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OR SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING AT WHICH A
35 SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE WILL OCCUR.

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38 BOARD OF EDUCATION AND/OR SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT INFORM THE PUBLIC, WHETH-
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43 PROPOSED TAX LEVY INCREASE OR DECREASE, AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE OR
44 DECREASE, ON THE SAME PAGE, AND IN THE SAME FONT STYLE AND SIZE, AS THE
45 PROPOSED TAX RATE CHANGE.

46 S 5. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
47 the date on which it shall have become a law; provided, however, that
48 the amendments to paragraph a of subdivision 2-a of section 2022 of the
49 education law, made by section one of this act, shall be subject to the
50 expiration and reversion of such section pursuant to section 13 of part
51 A of chapter 97 of the laws of 2011, as amended, when upon such date the
52 provisions of section two of this act shall take effect; provided
53 further that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or
54 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of
55 this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be made
56 and completed on or before such effective date.