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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to removing the requirement for annual visual inspections of school buildings

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 409-d of the education law, as added by section 1 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

1. Program establishment. The commissioner is authorized and directed to establish, develop and monitor a comprehensive public school building safety program which shall include a uniform inspection, safety rating and monitoring system. Such program shall [require the annual inspection of all public school buildings throughout New York state;] establish a safety rating system for such school buildings to assess the need for maintenance, repairs, rehabilitation, reconstruction, construction and other improvements related to the structural integrity and overall safety of public school buildings including but not limited to building systems related to electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning, sanitation and health, fire and accident protection; and require that such ratings be used for the purpose of developing a buildings condition survey as required pursuant to subdivision four of section thirty-six hundred forty-one of this chapter and a five year facilities plan as required pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph two of paragraph b of subdivision six of section thirty-six hundred two of this chapter.

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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