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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to parental notification  
when charter schools are placed on probation or receive a remedial  
action plan

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

- 1     Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 2855-a  
2     to read as follows:  
3     S 2855-A. PARENTAL NOTIFICATION. 1. PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS OF  
4     CHILDREN WHO ARE ENROLLED IN CHARTER SCHOOLS OR WHOM THE SCHOOLS ARE  
5     ATTEMPTING TO RECRUIT SHALL BE NOTIFIED WHEN SUCH SCHOOLS MAY BE PLACED  
6     ON PROBATION OR RECEIVE A REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN FROM THE CHARTER ENTITY  
7     OR REGENTS.  
8     2. THE TERM "CHARTER SCHOOL" SHALL HAVE THE SAME MEANING AS DEFINED IN  
9     THIS CHAPTER.  
10    3. SUCH NOTICE SHALL BE GRANTED WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF ACTUAL NOTICE OF  
11    SUCH A SCHOOL'S STATUS.  
12    4. AS SCHOOLS PROVIDE NOTICE, THEY SHALL DISCLOSE THEIR PROBATIONARY  
13    STATUS AND REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN TO REMAIN OPEN.  
14    5. SUCH PROVIDED NOTICE SHALL BE WRITTEN AND SENT VIA POSTAL MAIL TO  
15    THE PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS. IN THE EVENT OF DUAL CUSTODY SITUATIONS,  
16    THE SCHOOLS SHALL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO BOTH PARENTS IF THEIR  
17    ADDRESSES ARE ON FILE WITH THE SCHOOL.  
18    6. SCHOOLS SHALL ALSO DISCLOSE THEIR PROBATIONARY STATUS IN A DATABASE  
19    THAT SHALL BE UPDATED EVERY TWO WEEKS. IN THIS DATABASE, CHARTER SCHOOLS  
20    SHALL DISCLOSE ANY PROBATIONARY STATUS AND REMEDIAL ACTION PLANS.  
21    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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