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I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sen. VALESKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to directing the commissioner of education to establish standards for the maintenance and repair of school buildings and exempting expenditures for the maintenance and repair of school buildings from the tax levy limit

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

Section 1. Section 305 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 44 to read as follows:

44. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL, BY RULE, ESTABLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS SO AS TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT WITHIN EACH SUCH BUILDING.

S 2. Subparagraphs (iii) and (iv) of paragraph i of subdivision 2 of section 2023-a of the education law, as added by section 2 of part A of chapter 97 of the laws of 2011, are amended and a new subparagraph (v) is added to read as follows:

(iii) in years in which the normal contribution rate of the New York state teachers' retirement system, as defined by paragraph a of subdivision two of section five hundred seventeen of this chapter, increases by more than two percentage points from the previous year, a tax levy necessary for expenditures for the coming fiscal year for school district employer contributions to the New York state teachers' retirement system caused by growth in the normal contribution rate minus two percentage points; [and]

(iv) a capital tax levy[.]; AND

(V) A TAX LEVY NECESSARY FOR EXPENDITURES FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law, provided that, effective immediately, any rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be promulgated, amended and/or repealed on or before such date; and provided further that the amendments to section 2023-a of the education law made by section two of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

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

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