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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to tax levy limits of school districts

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph i of subdivision 2 of section 2023-a of the
2 education law is amended by adding a new subparagraph (v) to read as
3 follows:

4 (V) A TAX LEVY NECESSARY FOR EXPENDITURES TO ENSURE ADEQUATE SAFETY
5 AND PROTECTION FROM A SERIOUS VIOLENT INCIDENT OR SIMILAR EMERGENCY, AS
6 SUCH TERMS ARE DEFINED IN PART 155.17 OF THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY
7 THE COMMISSIONER, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, EXPENDI-
8 TURES FOR SECURITY PERSONNEL, SAFETY TRAINING OR INSTRUCTION, INFRAS-
9 TRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO IMPROVE SAFETY AND SECURITY, AND THE ACQUISI-
10 TION OF SECURITY DEVICES OR OTHER SAFETY EQUIPMENT.

11 S 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 6 of section 2023-a of the education
12 law, as added by section 2 of part A of chapter 97 of the laws of 2011,
13 is amended to read as follows:

14 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in the
15 event the trustee, trustees or board of education of a school district
16 that is subject to the provisions of this section proposes a budget that
17 will require a tax levy that exceeds the tax levy limit for the corre-
18 sponding school year, not including any levy necessary to support the
19 expenditures pursuant to subparagraphs (i) through [(iv)] (V) of para-
20 graph i of subdivision two of this section, then such budget shall be
21 approved if sixty percent of the votes cast thereon are in the affirma-
22 tive.

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

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1 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the amend-
2 ments made to section 2023-a of the education law by sections one and
3 two of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be
4 deemed repealed therewith.