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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to removing any imposed confidentiality agreements regarding common core testing

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 305 of the education law is amended by adding a new
2 subdivision 53 to read as follows:
3 53. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL:
4 A. RELEASE COMMON CORE TEST CONTENT, QUESTIONS, AND ANSWERS FOR PUBLIC
5 REVIEW AND DISCUSSION POST-TEST;
6 B. AMEND AND/OR REMOVE PROVISIONS OF THE EXISTING COMMON CORE CONFIDENTIALITY
7 AGREEMENT OR ANY SUCH FUTURE AGREEMENTS REQUIRED BY THE
8 DEPARTMENT, ITS VENDORS AND/OR SCHOOL DISTRICTS, THAT PROHIBIT TEACHERS,
9 ADMINISTRATORS, OR OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES FROM:
10 (1) DISCLOSING TEST CONTENT, QUESTIONS OR ANSWERS; AND
11 (2) DISCLOSING OR RETAINING ANY NOTES PERSONALLY TAKEN OR PREPARED AT
12 THE TIME OF THE EXAMINATION;
13 C. ENSURE THAT TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, OR OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES WHO
14 CHOOSE AFTER COMPLETION OF THE EXAMINATION TO ENGAGE IN PUBLIC
15 DISCUSSION OF COMMON CORE TEST CONTENT NOT BE SUBJECT TO:
16 (1) ANY DISCIPLINARY ACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS THREE THOUSAND
17 TWENTY AND THREE THOUSAND TWENTY-A OF THIS CHAPTER; AND/OR
18 (2) ANY ACTION AGAINST THEIR CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO PART
19 EIGHTY-THREE OF THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER; AND
20 D. PROHIBIT THE REQUIREMENT THAT TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, OR OTHER
21 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES SIGN A COMMON CORE CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT.
22 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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