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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the powers and duties of the boards of education

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

Section 1. Section 1709 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3-a to read as follows:

3-A. TO ALTER THE EXISTING BOUNDARIES OF THE ATTENDANCE ZONES THAT A STUDENT CURRENTLY ATTENDS, THE SCHOOL BOARD SHALL CONSIDER THE PROSPECTIVE NEED FOR SUCH ALTERATIONS, THE RAMIFICATIONS UPON THE COMMUNITY, INITIAL COSTS AND SAVINGS RESULTING FROM SUCH ALTERATIONS. THE SCHOOL BOARD SHALL POST THE ALTERNATIVE BOUNDARY LINES IN A PLAN AND CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. NOTICE OF SUCH HEARING SHALL BE PUBLISHED BY SUCH BOARD OF EDUCATION IN AT LEAST ONE NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE COMMUNITY ONCE A WEEK FOR TWO WEEKS, AND SHALL BE CONSPICUOUSLY POSTED IN THE AFFECTED SCHOOL DISTRICT. THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL RENDER A DECISION AT A REGULAR OR SPECIAL MEETING, THE RESULTS OF WHICH SHALL BE RECORDED AND MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.

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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