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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. MARCHIONE, AMEDORE, BONACIC, GALLIVAN, RANZENHOFER, RITCHIE, SEWARD, VALESKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to universal pre-kindergarten school bus transportation

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Paragraph q of subdivision 1 of section 3635 of the educa-2 tion law, as added by chapter 244 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

g. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the trustees or board of education of any school district may, in its discretion, provide transportation for students attending a universal pre-kindergarten program in addition to transportation funded by such 8 program or transportation for students attending another district sponsored or district-run pre-kindergarten program, within mileage limits 10 established by the school district; if provided such transportation 11 shall be offered equally to all children in like circumstances residing in the district. The cost of providing such transportation shall be a 13 charge upon the district [and]; provided that for purposes of subdivision seven of section thirty-six hundred two of this [chapter] article, such pupils shall be considered [non] allowable pupils and the costs of their transportation shall [not] be aidable. 16

17 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to the 2019--2020 school year and all school years commencing thereafter.

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

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