STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 16, 2018

Introduced by Sens. STAVISKY, BAILEY -- 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 school districts screening for gifted and talented students

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 57 to read as follows:

57. a. The commissioner shall require all school districts to screen for gifted and talented students. Such students shall be screened prior to entering third grade.

b. School districts shall provide notice of such screening to each student and to the parent or guardian of each student enrolled in such school district. The notice shall:

(i) be printed in a clear and conspicuous manner and shall describe such screening methods; and

(ii) give the parent or guardian of such student the opportunity to opt out of such screening by checking the box "do not screen my child".

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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