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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. TEDISCO, MARCHIONE, RITCHIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- reported favorably from said committee and committed to the Committee on Rules -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to enacting "Jacobe's law"

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

- 1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Jacobe's law."  
2 § 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 15-a to read  
3 as follows:  
4 § 15-a. Reporting by school administrators. 1. School administrators,  
5 or the school employee charged with receiving reports of harassment,  
6 bullying and discrimination, shall make a reasonable and good faith  
7 effort to contact the parents or guardians of the students involved in  
8 an incident of bullying or harassment after verifying, in accordance  
9 with the provisions of this article, that such incident has occurred.  
10 2. The school administrator shall contact the parent or guardian by  
11 telephone, electronic mail, regular mail or other means.  
12 3. As used in this section:  
13 a. "school administrator" shall have the same meaning as the term  
14 defined by subdivision six of section eleven hundred twenty-five of this  
15 title;  
16 b. "school employee" shall have the same meaning as specified in para-  
17 graph a of subdivision one of section thirteen of this article; and  
18 c. "harassment" and "bullying" shall have the same meaning as defined  
19 under subdivision seven of section eleven of this article.  
20 § 3. 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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