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## IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring the board of  
education and the trustees or sole trustee of every school district to  
establish policies and procedures regarding the treatment of transgen-  
der or gender non-conforming students

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

1 Section 1. Section 13 of the education law is amended by adding a new  
2 subdivision 6 to read as follows:

3 6. Policies and procedures that ensure that schools do not treat a  
4 transgender or gender non-conforming student differently from the way  
5 they treat other students of the same gender identity or gender  
6 expression that include, but are not limited to policies which:

7 a. ensure that schools and school employees treat students consistent-  
8 ly with their gender identity or expression, including using pronouns  
9 and names consistent with the student's gender identity or expression,  
10 even if their education records or identification documents indicate a  
11 different sex. Schools shall not require that students obtain a medical  
12 diagnosis, treatment, or identification documents that reflect their  
13 gender identity or expression as a prerequisite to treating the students  
14 consistent with their gender identity or expression;

15 b. allow students to participate in sex-segregated activities and  
16 access sex-segregated facilities, including but not limited to rest-  
17 rooms, locker rooms, athletics teams, student organizations, single-sex  
18 classes, and student housing or overnight accommodations, in a manner  
19 consistent with the student's gender identity or expression; and

20 c. protect students' privacy related to their transgender or gender  
21 non-conforming status, including their birth name or sex assigned at  
22 birth, and allow students to request that a school amend information in  
23 the student's education records relating to their gender identity or  
24 expression that is inaccurate, misleading, or in violation of the  
25 student's privacy rights.

26 § 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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