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Introduced by M. of A. JOYNER, JAFFEE, BURKE, LUPARDO, ORTIZ, CRUZ, D'URSO, REYES, FERNANDEZ, GOTTFRIED, SIMON, LAVINE, DARLING, WILLIAMS, JACOBSON, GALEF, ASHBY, MOSLEY, MONTESANO, MIKULIN, BARRON, GLICK, EPSTEIN, L. ROSENTHAL, BLAKE, DICKENS, DINOWITZ, JEAN-PIERRE, COOK, TAYLOR -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. ABBATE, DE LA ROSA -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing a maximum temperature in school buildings and indoor facilities

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 409-m  
2 to read as follows:

3 § 409-m. Maximum temperatures in school buildings and facilities. All  
4 common, union free, central, central high schools, city school districts  
5 and boards of cooperative educational services shall develop a policy  
6 for ensuring the health and safety of students, faculty and other  
7 employees, including, but not limited to, kitchen and cafeteria workers,  
8 on extreme heat condition days. For the purpose of this section, extreme  
9 heat condition days shall be defined as days when the occupiable educa-  
10 tional and support services spaces are found to be eighty-two degrees or  
11 greater Fahrenheit. For the purpose of this section, support services  
12 spaces shall include, but not be limited to, kitchen areas used in the  
13 preparation of food for consumption by students. For the purpose of  
14 this section, room temperature shall be measured at a shaded location,  
15 three feet above the floor near the center of the room. Schools shall be  
16 required to take action to relieve heat related discomfort when the  
17 occupied space temperature reaches eighty-two degrees Fahrenheit. Educa-

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

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1 tional and support services spaces cannot be occupied if room temper-  
2 ature reaches eighty-eight degrees Fahrenheit.  
3 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
4 it shall have become a law.