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## IN SENATE

May 1, 2019

Introduced by Sens. MARTINEZ, ROBACH, TEDISCO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to allowing school districts to permit home-schooled students to participate in district interscholastic sports

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 3235 to read as follows:

§ 3235. Home instruction students and interscholastic sports. The board of education or trustee of a school district may establish and adopt a policy to allow a student who receives home instruction to try out for and participate on a school district's interschool athletic team. The policy shall include, but not be limited to the following provisions:

1. The student shall be required to meet all the same responsibilities and standards of behavior and eligibility for practice and competition as a public school student enrolled in the school district participating on the interschool athletic team including but not limited to the health examination, immunization, and age eligibility requirements;

2. The student shall annually meet all academic requirements pursuant to section 100.10 of commissioner regulations; provided, however, that a board of education or trustee of a school district may require additional academic eligibility requirements;

3. The student shall only be eligible to try out for and participate on their school district of residence's interschool athletic team; and

4. Transportation shall be provided by the parent or guardian of the student.

§ 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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