

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

July 6, 2022

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Ra) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to providing an annual growth amount for tuition and regional rate reimbursement for approved school-age and preschool special education programs

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 4003 of the education law, as
2 amended by chapter 947 of the laws of 1981, is amended to read as
3 follows:
4 2. The director of the budget, in consultation with the commissioner
5 [~~of education~~], the commissioner of social services, the commissioner of
6 health, the commissioner of mental health, and any other state agency or
7 other source he or she may deem appropriate, shall approve reimbursement
8 methodologies for tuition and maintenance. Any modification in any such
9 methodology which has previously been approved shall be subject to the
10 approval of the director of the budget. Tuition and/or fee for service
11 rates approved for the two thousand twenty-three--two thousand twenty-
12 four school year and thereafter for special services or programs
13 provided to school-age students by approved private residential or
14 nonresidential schools for the education of students with disabilities
15 that are located within the state, by special act school districts, and
16 by July and August programs for students with disabilities approved
17 pursuant to section forty-four hundred eight of this title, and for
18 special services or programs provided to preschool students by programs
19 serving preschool students with disabilities approved pursuant to
20 section forty-four hundred ten of this title including, but not limited
21 to, special class and special class in an integrated setting programs,
22 multi-disciplinary evaluation programs, special education itinerant
23 services, and preschool transportation services for which tuition and/or
24 fee for service rates are determined, shall grow by a percentage equal
25 to the greater of: (i) the difference of the quotient arrived at when
26 dividing the statewide apportionments for general support for public
27 schools, as defined in subdivision one of section thirty-six hundred

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

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1 nine-a of this chapter, for the current year by such apportionments for
2 the base year, as such terms are defined in subdivision one of section
3 thirty-six hundred two of this chapter, as is computed based on an elec-
4 tronic filing data file used to produce the school aid computer for the
5 current year, less one; or (ii) zero.

6 § 2. Paragraph c of subdivision 4 of section 4405 of the education
7 law, as amended by chapter 82 of the laws of 1995, is amended to read as
8 follows:

9 c. The director of the budget, in consultation with the commissioner
10 [~~of education~~], the commissioner of social services, and any other state
11 agency or other source the director may deem appropriate, shall approve
12 reimbursement methodologies for tuition and for maintenance. Any modifi-
13 cation in the approved reimbursement methodologies shall be subject to
14 the approval of the director of the budget. [~~Notwithstanding any other~~
15 ~~provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, tuition rates~~
16 ~~established for the nineteen hundred ninety five ninety six school year~~
17 ~~shall exclude the two percent cost of living adjustment authorized in~~
18 ~~rates established for the nineteen hundred ninety four ninety five~~
19 ~~school year.] Tuition and/or fee for service rates approved for the two
20 thousand twenty-three--two thousand twenty-four school year and there-
21 after for special services or programs provided to school-age students
22 by approved private residential or nonresidential schools for the educa-
23 tion of students with disabilities that are located within the state, by
24 special act school districts, and by July and August programs for
25 students with disabilities approved pursuant to section forty-four
26 hundred eight of this article, and for special services or programs
27 provided to preschool students by programs serving preschool students
28 with disabilities approved pursuant to section forty-four hundred ten of
29 this article including, but not limited to, special class and special
30 class in an integrated setting programs, multi-disciplinary evaluation
31 programs, special education itinerant services, and preschool transpor-
32 tation services for which tuition and/or fee for service rates are
33 determined, shall grow by a percentage equal to the greater of: (i) the
34 difference of the quotient arrived at when dividing the statewide appor-
35 tionments for general support for public schools, as defined in subdivi-
36 sion one of section thirty-six hundred nine-a of this chapter, for the
37 current year by such apportionments for the base year, as such terms are
38 defined in subdivision one of section thirty-six hundred two of this
39 chapter, as is computed based on an electronic filing data file used to
40 produce the school aid computer for the current year, less one; or (ii)
41 zero.~~

42 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.