STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

March 28, 2022

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to solar arrays on certain eligible school buildings

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 409-n to read as follows:

§ 409-n. Solar arrays on school buildings. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule or regulation, every school district with less than one million residents shall develop a plan to deploy solar arrays on the roofs of twenty percent of eligible school buildings.

2. If the provisions of the local finance law relating to bonding is completed, such solar arrays shall be installed by January first, two thousand twenty-seven. By January first, two thousand thirty, fifty percent of eligible school buildings shall use solar power and by two thousand thirty-five, one hundred percent of eligible school buildings shall use solar power.

3. Any expenditures necessary for compliance with this section shall be exempt from section three-c of the general municipal law.

4. For the purposes of this section, an eligible school building shall be a building which, with no major modification, could successfully house solar arrays.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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