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Introduced by Sens. JACKSON, COMRIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on New York City Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to mayoral control of the city school district of the city of New York

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

Section 1. Subparagraphs 1 and 8 of paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 2590-b of the education law, as amended by section 43-b of part YYY of chapter 59 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

(1) (A) Such board of education shall consist of thirteen appointed members: one member to be appointed by each borough president of the city of New York; **four by the city council, one of whom shall be a representative of a college or university, one of whom shall be a member of parent organizations and one of whom shall be a member of a community district education council;** and [~~eight~~] **four** members to be appointed by the mayor of the city of New York.

(B) Commencing on July first, two thousand twenty, the board of education shall consist of fifteen members: one member to be appointed by each borough president of the city of New York, one member to be elected by community district education council presidents, **four by the city council, one of whom shall be a representative of a college or university, and one of whom shall be a member of parent organizations;** and [~~nine~~] **five** members to be appointed by the mayor of the city of New York. On or before December thirty-first, two thousand nineteen, the chancellor shall promulgate regulations establishing a process for community district education council presidents to elect a member of the board, and processes for removal of such member and for the filling of such position in the event of a vacancy. The first member elected by community district education council presidents pursuant to such regulations shall take office on July first, two thousand twenty and shall

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

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serve a term that ends on June thirtieth, two thousand twenty-two. Thereafter, the member elected by community district education council presidents shall serve for a two year term commencing on July first.

(8) Each mayoral appointee shall be a resident of the city and [~~two~~] **one** shall be [~~parents~~] **a parent** of a child attending a public school within the city district.

§ 2. The opening paragraph of section 2590-h of the education law, as amended by section 43-d of part YYY of chapter 59 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

The office of chancellor of the city district is hereby continued. Such chancellor shall serve at the pleasure of and be employed by the [~~mayor~~] **city board** of the city of New York by contract. The chancellor shall meet the requirements of subdivision one of section three thousand three of this chapter, provided that a person who has been issued a certificate as superintendent of schools pursuant to subdivision three of such section may serve as chancellor on the basis of such certificate for no longer than six months. The length of such contract shall not exceed by more than two years the term of office of the [~~mayor~~] **city board** authorizing such contract. The chancellor shall receive a salary to be fixed by the [~~mayor~~] **city board** within the budgetary allocation therefor. He or she shall exercise all his or her powers and duties in a manner not inconsistent with the city-wide educational policies of the city board. The chancellor shall have the following powers and duties as the superintendent of schools and chief executive officer for the city district, which the chancellor shall exercise to promote an equal educational opportunity for all students in the schools of the city district, promote fiscal and educational equity, increase student achievement and school performance and encourage local school-based innovation, including the power and duty to:

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that the amendments to subdivision 1 of section 2590-b and the opening paragraph of section 2590-h of the education law made by sections one and two of this act shall not affect the expiration of such provisions and shall be deemed to expire therewith.