STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

June 9, 2021

Introduced by Sen. MAY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT in relation to legalizing, validating, ratifying and confirming certain transportation contracts of the Syracuse city school district

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

Section 1. All the acts done and proceedings heretofore had and taken or caused to be had and taken by the Syracuse city school district and by all officers, employees or agents of such school district relating to or in connection with transportation contracts E275976 and E275975 of the 2018-2019 school year, and all acts incidental hereto are hereby legalized, validated, ratified and confirmed, notwithstanding any failure to comply with the contract award, approval and filing provisions of the education law, the general municipal law or any other law or any other statutory authority, rule or regulation, other than those filing provisions defined in paragraph a of subdivision 5 of section 3604 of the education law, in relation to any omission, error, defect, irregularity or illegality in such proceeding had and taken and provided that the failure to submit a transportation contract in a timely manner was an inadvertent administrative or ministerial oversight by the school district, and there is no evidence of any fraudulent or other improper intent by such district. The state education department is hereby directed to consider the aforementioned contracts for transportation aid as valid and proper obligations of the Syracuse city school district and shall not recover from such district any penalty arising from the failure to submit a transportation contract in a timely manner, provided that any amounts already so recovered shall be deemed a payment of moneys due for prior years pursuant to paragraph c of subdivision 5 of section 3604 of the education law and shall be paid to the school district pursuant to such provision.

§ 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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