

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to reserve funds for pupil transportation costs

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

1 Section 1. Section 3651 of the education law is amended by adding a  
2 new subdivision 1-c to read as follows:

3 1-c. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision one of this  
4 section, any school district may establish a reserve fund for the  
5 payment of unanticipated costs related to pupil transportation in excess  
6 of public funds apportioned to districts for such purposes pursuant to  
7 subdivision seven of section thirty-six hundred two of this title,  
8 provided that the establishment of such fund shall require approval from  
9 a majority of qualified voters in the district voting on a proposition  
10 therefor submitted at a regular or special school district meeting, or  
11 in school districts which do not have such meetings, at an election  
12 called for such purpose.

13 § 2. Subdivisions 3-a and 4 of section 3651 of the education law,  
14 subdivision 3-a as added by chapter 588 of the laws of 1988 and subdivi-  
15 sion 4 as added by chapter 782 of the laws of 1948, are amended to read  
16 as follows:

17 3-a. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision three of this  
18 section, any school district which establishes a reserve fund in accord-  
19 ance with subdivision one-a or subdivision one-c of this section may  
20 make expenditures from such fund for the purposes specified in such  
21 subdivision without authorization of the voters.

22 4. The voters may authorize the transfer of all or any part of any  
23 reserve fund to any other reserve fund established pursuant to this  
24 section or article two of the general municipal law.

25 § 3. 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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