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IN SENATE

May 15, 2025

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

AN ACT to amend part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 2020, amending the education law relating to establishing the Syracuse Comprehensive Education and Workforce Training Center focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math to provide instruction to students in the Onondaga, Cortland and Madison county BOCES and the central New York region in the areas of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics, in relation to authorizing certain students attending the Syracuse Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics high school to be eligible for senior high school athletic competitions

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

Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 2 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 2020, amending the education law relating to establishing the Syracuse Comprehensive Education and Workforce Training Center focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math to provide instruction to students in the Onondaga, Cortland and Madison county BOCES and the central New York region in the areas of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics, as amended by chapter 309 of the laws of 2024, is amended to read as follows:

5. **(a)** Students attending such high school shall continue to be enrolled in their school district of residence. The Syracuse city school district shall be responsible for the issuance of a high school diploma to students who attended the high school based on such students' successful completion of the high school's educational program.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, a student attending such high school who participated in a high school athletic competition for a school district other than the Syracuse city school district while enrolled in the seventh grade, eighth grade, or both shall be eligible for senior high school athletic

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

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competitions in a sport during each of the four consecutive seasons of such sport commencing with such student's entry into the ninth grade and prior to graduation.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.