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IN SENATE

March 31, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to relocation of a charter school

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 2857 of the education law, as amended by section 7 of part D-2 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2007, is amended to read as follows:

1. The board of regents shall distribute information announcing the availability of the charter school process described in this article to each local school district and public postsecondary educational institution. At each significant stage of the chartering process, the charter entity and the board of regents shall provide appropriate notification to the school district in which the charter school is located and to public and nonpublic schools in the same geographic area as the proposed charter school. Such notification shall be provided by each charter entity within thirty days of its receipt of an application for formation of a new charter school or for renewal of an existing charter school, and at least forty-five days prior to initial approval of the charter application by the charter entity. Prior to the issuance, revision, or renewal of a charter, the school district in which the charter school is located shall hold a public hearing to solicit comments from the community in connection with the foregoing. Such hearing shall be held within the community potentially impacted by the proposed charter school. When a revision involves the relocation of a charter school to a different school district, **or, in a city with a population of one million or more, to a different community education council district,** the proposed new school district **or community education council district** shall also hold such hearing. In addition, such school districts shall be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed charter to the charter entity and such charter entity shall consider any comments raised and submit any such comments to the board of regents with the application for issuance, revision, or renewal of a charter.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth 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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