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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring public schools to start no earlier than eight thirty a.m. and that no public high school within the state shall start before an elementary school starts within the same school district

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

Section 1. Section 305 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 63 to read as follows:

63. The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations requiring all public schools within the state to start no earlier than eight thirty a.m. and that no public high school within the state shall start before an elementary school starts within the same school district.

§ 2. Section 3604 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 8-a to read as follows:

8-a. No public school within the state shall be entitled to any portion of such school moneys on such apportionment unless the report of the trustees or board of education for the preceding school year shall show that the public schools started no earlier than eight thirty a.m. and that no high school within such school district started before an elementary school within such school district started.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all academic years beginning on and after such date.

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

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