

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

October 2, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting the home instruction of children in certain circumstances

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

1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Raylee's law".

2 § 2. Section 3205 of the education law is amended by adding a new
3 subdivision 4 to read as follows:

4 4. A school district may not authorize a currently enrolled public
5 school student to be instructed in the home if there is a pending child
6 abuse or neglect investigation against either custodial parent or a
7 person instructing the child, or if either custodial parent or a person
8 instructing the child has ever been convicted of domestic violence or
9 child abuse or neglect. The board of education of every school district
10 within the state shall develop and institute a policy to ensure that the
11 school district superintendent is contacted when a report of suspected
12 child abuse or neglect is made by a school teacher or other school
13 personnel. Upon determination by the school district superintendent that
14 an investigation has been initiated, the superintendent shall request
15 confirmation of case status from the office of children and family
16 services, which shall provide confirmation within forty-eight hours of
17 receipt of such request.

18 § 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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