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Introduced by Sens. COONEY, ASHBY, HINCHEY -- 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 certain special services aid for large city school districts and other school districts which were not components of a board of cooperative educational services in the base year

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph b of subdivision 10 of section 3602 of the educa-
2 tion law, as amended by section 16 of part B of chapter 57 of the laws
3 of 2007, is amended to read as follows:
4 b. Aid for career education. There shall be apportioned to such city
5 school districts and other school districts which were not components of
6 a board of cooperative educational services in the base year for pupils
7 in grades [~~ten~~ *nine*] through twelve in attendance in career education
8 programs as such programs are defined by the commissioner, subject for
9 the purposes of this paragraph to the approval of the director of the
10 budget, an amount for each such pupil to be computed by multiplying the
11 career education aid ratio by [~~three~~ *four*] thousand [~~nine~~ *three*] hundred
12 dollars. Such aid will be payable for weighted pupils attending career
13 education programs operated by the school district and for weighted
14 pupils for whom such school district contracts with boards of cooper-
15 ative educational services to attend career education programs operated
16 by a board of cooperative educational services. Weighted pupils for the
17 purposes of this paragraph shall mean the sum of the attendance of
18 students in grades [~~ten~~ *nine*] through twelve in career education
19 sequences in trade, industrial, technical, agricultural or health
20 programs plus the product of sixteen hundredths multiplied by the
21 attendance of students in grades [~~ten~~ *nine*] through twelve in career
22 education sequences in business and marketing as defined by the commis-

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

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1 sioner in regulations. The career education aid ratio shall be computed
2 by subtracting from one the product obtained by multiplying fifty-nine
3 percent by the combined wealth ratio. This aid ratio shall be expressed
4 as a decimal carried to three places without rounding, but not less than
5 thirty-six percent.

6 Any school district that receives aid pursuant to this paragraph shall
7 be required to use such amount to support career education programs in
8 the current year.

9 A board of education which spends less than its local funds as defined
10 by regulations of the commissioner for career education in the base year
11 during the current year shall have its apportionment under this subdivi-
12 sion reduced in an amount equal to such deficiency in the current or a
13 succeeding school year, provided however that the commissioner may waive
14 such reduction upon determination that overall expenditures per pupil in
15 support of career education programs were continued at a level equal to
16 or greater than the level of such overall expenditures per pupil in the
17 preceding school year.

18 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to school
19 years commencing on and after July 1, 2025.