§ 2560. Liability of board of education and community school boards in a city having a population of one million or more inhabitants. 1. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, general, special or local, or the limitation contained in the provisions of any city charter, any duly appointed member of the board of education in a city having a population of one million or more, the members of each community school board in such city, the teaching or supervising staff, officer, or employee of such board and of each such community school board, member of a committee on special education or subcommittee thereof or authorized participant in the school volunteer program in such city shall be entitled to legal representation and indemnification pursuant to the provisions of, and subject to the conditions, procedures and limitations contained in section fifty-k of the general municipal law, except that any judgment or settlement pursuant to this section shall be payable from the monies of the board of education.

2. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, general, special or local, or limitations contained in the provision of any city charter, it shall not be within the power of the board of education or a community school board in any school district in a city with a population of one million or more to require a volunteer participating in any school activities to execute a waiver of responsibility in favor of that board as a condition, either express or implied, of such participation. Such waiver would include, but not be limited to, a release of any party against whom the volunteer may have rights under any existing provision of law for personal injuries incurred during the performance of authorized volunteer duties by an authorized participant in a school volunteer program.