

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1819

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 1, 2026

The Senate Education Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 1819.

As amended, this bill requires a nonpublic school to forward to a school district the student disciplinary records of a nonpublic school student who transfers to the school district.

Under the bill, when a student enrolled in a nonpublic school transfers to a public school, upon the written request of the school district, the nonpublic school is to provide to the district, within 14 calendar days of the district's request, all information in the student's record related to disciplinary action taken against the student by the nonpublic school. The nonpublic school is also required to notify, within 14 calendar days of the school district's written request, the district of any information the nonpublic school may have received from a court or a law enforcement or prosecuting agency in regard to any offense with which the student may have been charged. The provision of this information by courts and law enforcement agencies to school principals is authorized under existing law.

Current law establishes a procedure for the transfer of student records, including student disciplinary records, of a public school student who transfers to another school district. This bill establishes a similar procedure for the transfer of student disciplinary records when a nonpublic school student transfers to a public school.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 2026-2027 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to clarify that a nonpublic school is to send the student record information required under the bill within 14 calendar days of the district's request.