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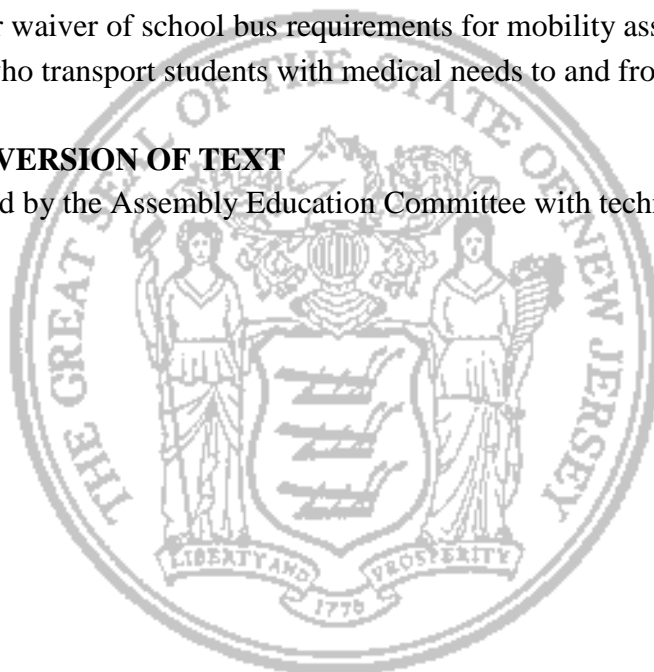
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SYNOPSIS

Allows for waiver of school bus requirements for mobility assistance vehicle technicians who transport students with medical needs to and from school.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee with technical review.



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1 AN ACT concerning the transportation of students with certain
2 medical needs and amending P.L.1981, c.51.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1981, c.51 (C.18A:39-20.1) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 1. a. Notwithstanding any statute or regulation to the contrary,
10 any board of education, governing body of a nonpublic school or
11 State agency may authorize qualified school personnel, State
12 employees or parents, to transport school children to and from
13 related school activities in a private vehicle with a capacity of eight
14 or less. Any person authorized by a board, body or agency to
15 provide such transportation services shall not be required to be
16 licensed or regulated as a school bus driver. Such transportation
17 shall be exempt from all registration, equipment, inspection and
18 maintenance requirements imposed on the transportation of pupils
19 by school bus.

20 b. Notwithstanding any statute or regulation to the contrary,
21 any board of education, governing body of a nonpublic school or
22 State agency may authorize a person certified as a mobility
23 assistance vehicle technician to transport a student with medical
24 needs to and from school or related school activities in a mobility
25 assistance vehicle. Any certified mobility assistance vehicle
26 technician authorized by a board, body or agency to provide such
27 transportation services shall not be required to be licensed or
28 regulated as a school bus driver. Such transportation shall be
29 exempt from all registration, equipment, inspection and
30 maintenance requirements imposed on the transportation of students
31 by a school bus.

32 Each year prior to transporting students, a certified mobility
33 assistance vehicle technician who transports a student with medical
34 needs in accordance with this section shall furnish to the executive
35 county superintendent a criminal history background check and
36 evidence of a check for the technician's record of alcohol and drug-
37 related motor vehicle violations in the performance of his contract.

38 For the purposes of this subsection, "student with medical
39 needs," means a school-aged child who suffers from a life-
40 threatening medical condition, and as a result of such condition,
41 requires more individualized and continuous care.

42 (cf: P.L.1981, c.51, s.1)

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44 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.