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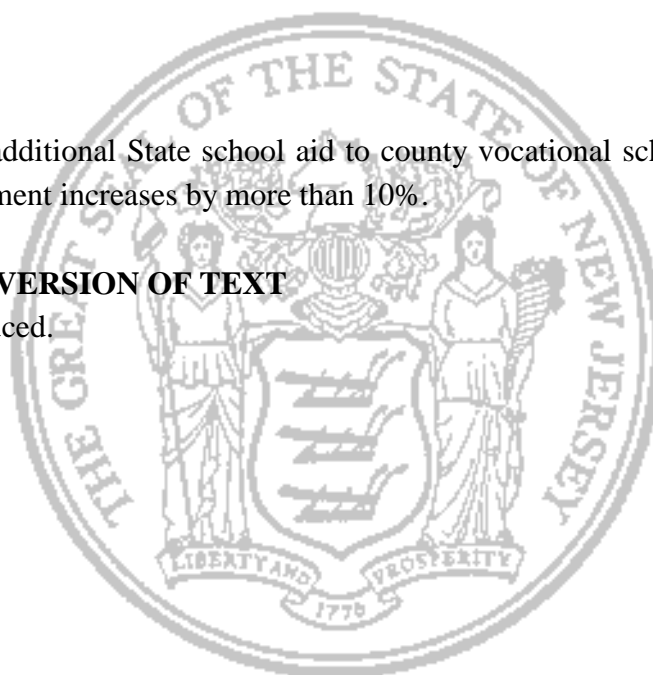
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**SYNOPSIS**

Provides additional State school aid to county vocational school districts in which enrollment increases by more than 10%.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning State school aid to certain county vocational  
2 school districts and supplementing P.L.2007, c.260 (C.18A:7F-  
3 43 et al.).

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

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8 1. a. Vocational education expansion aid shall be available  
9 when a county vocational school district anticipates that the  
10 district's resident enrollment in the budget year will increase by  
11 more than 10% relative to the prebudget year. The commissioner  
12 shall develop an application process by which a county vocational  
13 school district may demonstrate its plans to increase its student  
14 population.

15 b. Vocational education expansion aid shall be calculated as  
16 follows in the first school year after the approval of an application  
17 by the commissioner:

$$18 \quad VEEA = (PHENR - HENR) \times BPA \times HW \times CVW \times GCA$$

19 where

20 PHENR is the projected resident enrollment for grades 9-12 in  
21 the county vocational school district for the budget year, as  
22 approved by the commissioner;

23 HENR is the resident enrollment for grades 9-12 in the county  
24 vocational school district for the prebudget year;

25 BPA is the base per pupil amount;

26 HW is the weight for high school enrollment;

27 CVW is the weight for county vocational school district  
28 enrollment; and

29 GCA is the geographic cost adjustment.

30 In each subsequent school year, the county vocational school  
31 district shall receive vocational education expansion aid in an  
32 amount equal to the amount of vocational education expansion aid  
33 received in the prebudget year, less any increase in equalization aid  
34 between the prebudget year and the budget year, except that the  
35 commissioner may withhold the payment of vocational education  
36 expansion aid if the actual resident enrollment in the county  
37 vocational school district is significantly less than the projected  
38 resident enrollment in the district's application.

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40 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first be  
41 applicable to the first full school year beginning after the date of  
42 enactment.

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#### STATEMENT

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46 This bill provides that a county vocational school district may  
47 apply to the Commissioner of Education for vocational education  
48 expansion aid if the district plans to increase its resident enrollment

1 by more than 10 percent over the prior school year. In the first  
2 school year after successfully applying to the commissioner to  
3 receive the aid, a county vocational school district's aid would be  
4 calculated by multiplying the projected increase in the district's  
5 resident enrollment by the base per pupil amount, the weight for  
6 high school enrollment, the weight for county vocational school  
7 district enrollment, and the geographic cost adjustment for the  
8 county.

9 In subsequent school years, the district would receive vocational  
10 education expansion aid in an amount equal to the amount received  
11 in the prior school year, less any increase in equalization aid.  
12 However, the commissioner may withhold payment of this aid if the  
13 district's actual resident enrollment is significantly less than the  
14 amount projected in the district's application.