

# SENATE, No. 2767

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**SYNOPSIS**

Allows parent or guardian to exclude student from administration of certain assessments.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning the administration of certain assessments and  
2 supplementing chapter 7C of Title 18A of the New Jersey  
3 Statutes.

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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. As used in this act, “PARCC assessment” means the  
9 assessments developed by the consortium of states known as the  
10 Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers.

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12 2. a. No later than the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year,  
13 each school district or charter school shall establish a procedure for  
14 a parent or guardian of a public school student to provide written  
15 notification that the student will not participate in the administration  
16 of a PARCC assessment. To facilitate the parent or guardian’s  
17 decision, the school district or charter school shall, no later than  
18 September 30 of each school year, provide to the parent or guardian  
19 of a student enrolled in the district or charter school information  
20 regarding any PARCC assessment that is scheduled to be  
21 administered to the student in that school year. The information  
22 shall include, but need not be limited to, the following:

23 (1) the subject area of the assessment and the grade levels  
24 covered by the standardized assessment;

25 (2) the date or dates on which the assessment will be  
26 administered; and

27 (3) the manner in which the assessment results will be used,  
28 including if the results may be used for placement in gifted and  
29 talented programs, placement in other programs or interventions,  
30 grade promotion, graduation, or any other district or school decision  
31 affecting students.

32 The Commissioner of Education shall provide each school  
33 district and charter school with a template of the information to be  
34 provided pursuant to this subsection.

35 b. A parent or guardian of a student enrolled in a school district  
36 or charter school shall provide written notification no later than 14  
37 days prior to the administration of a PARCC assessment stating that  
38 the PARCC assessment is not to be administered to the student.

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40 3. In the case of a student who does not participate in the  
41 administration of a PARCC assessment pursuant to the provisions  
42 of section 2 of this act, a school district or charter school shall  
43 provide educationally appropriate alternative activities during the  
44 time in which the assessment is being administered. Any  
45 alternative activity shall not occur in the same room in which the  
46 assessment is being administered.

