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SYNOPSIS

Requires minimum of one school bus aide for every 15 special needs students on school bus.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on June 5, 2017, with amendments.

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1 AN ACT concerning school bus aides and supplementing chapter 39
2 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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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. a. A board of education or a contractor that provides pupil
8 transportation services under contract with a board of education shall
9 ensure that a school bus has on board at least one school bus aide for
10 every 15 students with special needs. The aide-to-student ratio shall
11 be maintained at all times when a school bus is transporting students
12 with special needs or a combination of students with special needs and
13 general education students.

14 b. As used in this section, "student with special needs" means a
15 student who is classified as eligible for special education programs and
16 services ¹, but shall not include a student who is classified as eligible
17 for special education programs and services solely on the basis of a
18 "specific learning disability," as the term is defined in the federal
19 "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act," 20 U.S.C. s.1400 et
20 seq¹.

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22 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
23 the first full school year following the date of enactment.

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AED committee amendments adopted June 5, 2017.