

CHAPTER 274

AN ACT concerning harassment, intimidation, and bullying in school settings and supplementing P.L.2002, c.83 (C.18A:37-13 et seq.).

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

C.18A:37-16.1 Immunity for reporting harassment, intimidation, or bullying at certain private schools.

1. In the event that the State Board of Education requires approved private schools for students with disabilities to develop, adopt, and implement a policy prohibiting harassment, intimidation, or bullying on school grounds, a member of a board of directors or an employee of an approved private school for students with disabilities who promptly reports an incident of harassment, intimidation, or bullying to the appropriate school official designated by the school's policy or to any school administrator, and who makes this report in compliance with the procedures in the school's policy, is immune from a cause of action for damages arising from any failure to remedy the reported incident.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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