

# ASSEMBLY, No. 4956

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**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that school district may not condition student enrollment in district on fact that MVC does not have name or address of parent or guardian on file.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning school district enrollment and amending  
2 P.L.2015, c.161.

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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.2015, c.161 (C.18A:38-1.3) is amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 1. a. In the case of a dispute between a school district and the  
10 parents or guardians of a student in regard to a student's eligibility  
11 to enroll in the district or to remain enrolled in the district pursuant  
12 to the provisions of N.J.S.18A:38-1, the school district may request  
13 from the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission the parent or  
14 guardian's name and address for use in verifying a student's  
15 eligibility for enrollment in the school district.

16 b. The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission shall disclose to  
17 a school district the information requested pursuant to subsection a.  
18 of this section in accordance with procedures established by the  
19 commission.

20 c. A school district shall not condition enrollment in the district  
21 on immigration status or on the fact that the commission does not  
22 have the name or address of the parent or guardian on file.

23 (cf: P.L.2015, c.161, s.1)

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25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

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30 Under current law, P.L.2015, c.161 (C.18A:38-1.3), in the case  
31 of a dispute between a school district and a parent or guardian in  
32 regard to a student's right to enroll or remain enrolled in the district  
33 based on domicile in the district, the school district may request  
34 from the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission the parent or  
35 guardian's name and address for use in verifying the student's  
36 eligibility for enrollment. The law stipulates that a school district  
37 may not condition enrollment in the district on immigration status.

38 This bill provides that a school district also may not condition  
39 enrollment on the fact that the commission does not have the name  
40 or address of the parent or guardian on file.

**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.**