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SYNOPSIS

Requires boards of education to include instruction, and adopt instructional materials, that accurately portray political, economic, and social contributions of persons with disabilities and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on December 6, 2018, with amendments.

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1 AN ACT concerning instruction and instructional materials in public
2 schools and supplementing chapter 35 of Title 18A of the New
3 Jersey 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. A board of education shall include instruction on the
9 political, economic, and social contributions of persons with
10 disabilities and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, in an
11 appropriate place in the curriculum of middle school and high
12 school students as part of the district's implementation of the
13 ¹**[Core Curriculum Content Standards]** New Jersey Student
14 Learning Standards¹ ²**[in Social Studies]**².

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16 2. ²A board of education shall have policies and procedures in
17 place pertaining to the selection of instructional materials to
18 implement the requirements of section 1 of this act.² When adopting
19 instructional materials for use in the schools of the district, a board
20 of education shall ²**[only]**² adopt ²inclusive² instructional materials
21 ²**[which, in its determination, accurately]** that² portray the cultural
22 and economic diversity of society including the political, economic,
23 and social contributions of persons with disabilities and lesbian,
24 gay, bisexual, and transgender people ², where appropriate².

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26 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
27 the ²**[2018-2019]** 2020-2021² school year.

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:

¹Senate floor amendments adopted June 21, 2018.

²Assembly AED committee amendments adopted December 6, 2018.