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SYNOPSIS

Permits use of public schools and school district property for certain child care services for children younger than school age.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** concerning child care services on school district property
2 and amending N.J.S.18A:20-34.

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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. N.J.S.18A:20-34 is amended to read as follows:

8 18A:20-34. The board of education of any district may,
9 pursuant to rules adopted by it, permit the use of any schoolhouse
10 and rooms therein, and the grounds and other property of the
11 district, when not in use for school purposes, for any of the
12 following purposes:

13 a. The assembly of persons for the purpose of giving and
14 receiving instruction in any branch of education, learning, or the
15 arts, including the science of agriculture, horticulture, and
16 floriculture;

17 b. Public library purposes or stations of public libraries;

18 c. The holding of such social, civic, and recreational meetings
19 and entertainments and such other purposes as may be approved by
20 the board;

21 d. Such meetings, entertainments, and occasions where
22 admission fees are charged as may be approved by the board;

23 e. Polling places, holding elections, registration of voters, and
24 holding political meetings;

25 f. Child care services provided by the board of education, or a
26 board approved sponsor, or a child care program licensed pursuant
27 to P.L.1983, c.492 (C.30:5B-1 et seq.), before or after regular
28 school hours, for any school aged child who attends school within
29 the school district ;

30 g. Child care services provided by the board of education, a
31 board approved sponsor, or a child care program licensed pursuant
32 to P.L.1983, c.492 (C.30:5B-1 et seq.) for children younger than
33 school age and which are provided for less than 24 hours a day. The
34 child care services for children younger than school age need not be
35 limited to children who reside within the school district .

36 (cf: P.L.1999, c.83, s.1)

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38 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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43 Current law at N.J.S.18A:20-34 authorizes the use of public
44 school buildings and school district property for certain other
45 purposes when not in use for school purposes. The authorized uses

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.

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1 include child care services before or after regular school hours for
2 school aged children who attend school within the district. This bill
3 would amend current law to also authorize the use of public school
4 buildings and school district property for child care services for
5 children younger than school age. The child care services would
6 operate for less than 24 hours a day, need not be limited to children
7 who reside within the school district, and may be provided by the
8 board of education, a board approved sponsor, or a child care
9 program licensed pursuant to P.L.1983, c.492 (C.30:5B-1 et seq.).