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SYNOPSIS

Requires student representative be appointed to each board of education of school district and board of trustees of charter school that includes grades nine through 12.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the Senate on December 2, 2021.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/10/2022)

AN ACT concerning student representatives on certain boards of education ¹and boards of trustees of charter schools ¹ and supplementing chapter 12 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes ¹and P.L.1995, c.426 (C.18A:36A-1 et seq.) ¹.

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

1. a. Notwithstanding any law, rule or regulation to the contrary, each board of education of a school district that includes grades nine through 12 shall ¹ [appoint the student who serves as the president of the student council, or a designee of the president of the student council, include a minimum of one student selected by the student body ¹ to serve as a nonvoting student representative on the board. ¹ The student body may elect or appoint the student representative to the board, in a process to be determined by the ² superintendent of a school district and shall consider input provided by the ² student body. ¹ The student representative shall serve for a one school year term.

¹In the case of a school district that includes more than one high school, the student representative of the board shall rotate each school year among the high schools in the school district.¹

- b. The duties of the student representative shall include:
- (1) attending all board meetings, except that a student representative shall be excluded from discussions of the board involving subjects which are confidential;
- (2) representing all public high school students within the district and presenting student proposals and concerns to the board for its consideration; and
- (3) keeping public high school students informed of the business of the board by providing a monthly report to the student council concerning the activities of the board.

- ¹2. a. Notwithstanding any law, rule or regulation to the contrary, each board of trustees of a charter school that includes grades nine through 12 shall include a minimum of one student selected by the student body to serve as a nonvoting student representative on the board. The student body may elect or appoint the student representative to the board, in a process to be determined by the ²chief school administrator of a charter school and shall consider input provided by the² student body. The student representative shall serve for a one school year term.
- b. The duties of the student representative shall include:
- 43 <u>(1) attending all board meetings, except that a student</u> 44 <u>representative shall be excluded from discussions of the board</u>

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 enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AED committee amendments adopted October 22, 2020.

²Senate floor amendments adopted December 2, 2021.

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1	involving subjects which are confidential;
2	(2) representing all high school students within the charter school
3	and presenting student proposals and concerns to the board for its
4	consideration; and
5	(3) keeping high school students within the charter school
6	informed of the business of the board by providing a monthly report to
7	the student council concerning the activities of the board.
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9	¹ [2.] 3. This act shall take effect in the first full school year
10	following the date of enactment.
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