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SYNOPSIS

Requires DOE to define expenditures for behavior modification at approved private schools for students with disabilities as allowable instructional cost for purposes of tuition rate setting.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.

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AN ACT concerning approved private schools for students with disabilities and supplementing chapter 46 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

1. The Department of Education shall define expenditures for behavior modification that are deemed necessary by an approved private school for students with disabilities as an allowable instructional cost in the chart of accounts for the purposes of tuition rate setting.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill directs the Department of Education to define expenditures for behavior modification as an allowable instructional cost for approved private schools for students with disabilities (APSSDs). Behavior modification is an evidenced-based instructional strategy and is a vital component to the individualized education program (IEP) for many students with disabilities, including those with autism and emotional disabilities.