

P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 416, *approved January 18, 2022*
Senate, No. 4021 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning instruction on Asian Americans and Pacific
2 Islanders in public schools and supplementing chapter 35 of Title
3 18A of the New 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. A board of education shall include instruction on the
9 history and contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders
10 in an appropriate place in the curriculum of students in grades
11 kindergarten through 12 as part of the school district's
12 implementation of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards in
13 Social Studies.

14 b. A board of education shall have policies and procedures in
15 place pertaining to the selection of instructional materials to
16 implement the requirements of section a. of this section. When
17 adopting instructional materials for use in the school district, a
18 board of education shall adopt inclusive instructional materials that
19 portray the cultural and economic diversity of Asian Americans and
20 Pacific Islanders.

21 ¹c. A board of education shall seek the assistance and advice of
22 the Commission on Asian Heritage established pursuant to section 2
23 of P.L. _____, c. _____ (C. _____) (pending before the Legislature as
24 Assembly Bill No. 3369 or Senate Bill No. 3764 of 2020) in
25 fulfilling the requirements of this section.¹

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27 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
28 the ¹**【2022-2023】** first full¹ school year following the date of
29 enactment¹.

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34 Requires school districts to provide instruction on history and
35 contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders as part of
36 implementation of New Jersey Student Learning Standards in Social
37 Studies.

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:

¹Assembly AED committee amendments adopted December 9, 2021.