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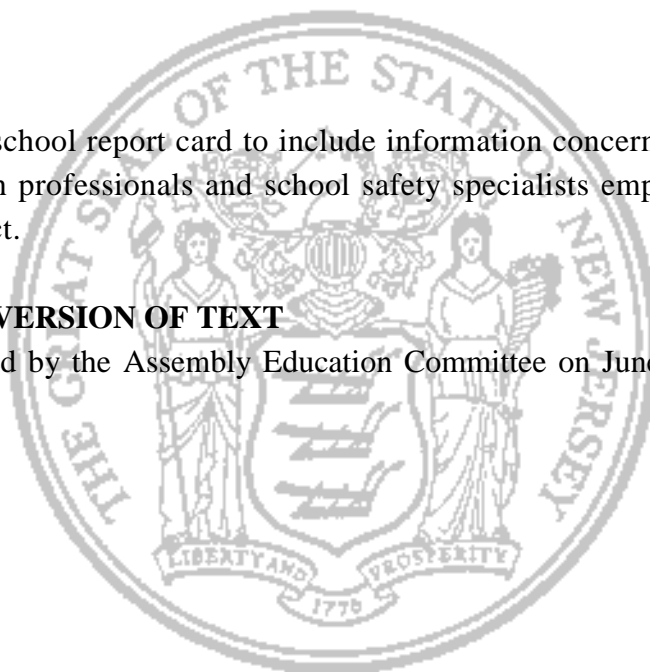
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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires school report card to include information concerning number of mental health professionals and school safety specialists employed by each school district.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on June 9, 2021, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning the New Jersey School Report Card and  
2 amending P.L.1995, c.235.

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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. Section 3 of P.L.1995, c.235 (C.18A:7E-3) is amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 3. Report cards issued pursuant to section 2 of **[this act]**  
10 P.L.1995, c.235 (C.18A:7E-2) shall include, but not be limited to,  
11 the following information for:

12 a. the school district and for each school within the district, as  
13 appropriate:

14 (1) results of the elementary assessment programs;

15 (2) results of the Early Warning Test;

16 (3) results of the High School Proficiency Test;

17 (4) daily attendance records for students and professional staff;

18 (5) student graduation and dropout rates;

19 (6) annual student scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test;

20 (7) total student enrollment, percentage of limited English  
21 proficient students, percentage of students in advanced placement  
22 courses, and any other school characteristics which the  
23 commissioner deems appropriate;

24 (8) instructional resources including teacher/student ratio,  
25 average class size and amount of instructional time per day, as  
26 calculated by formulas specified by the commissioner;

27 (9) a written narrative by the school principal or a designee  
28 which describes any special achievements, events, problems or  
29 initiatives of the school or district;

30 (10) data identifying the number and nature of all reports of  
31 harassment, intimidation, or bullying;

32 (11) indicators of student career readiness;

33 (12) the number and percentage of students who were  
34 chronically absent, as defined in rules and regulations promulgated  
35 by the Commissioner of Education within 90 days of the effective  
36 date of P.L.2018, c.23 (C.18A:38-25.1 et al.), including the number  
37 and percentage of students who were chronically absent  
38 disaggregated by multiple student subgroups to be determined by  
39 the commissioner; **[and]**

40 (13) the number and percentage of students who received a  
41 disciplinary suspension;

42 (14) the number of school psychologists<sup>1</sup>, school counselors,  
43 social workers, student assistance coordinators, and other mental  
44 health professionals employed by, or under contract with, the school  
45 district to provide mental health services to students,<sup>1</sup> and the ratio

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:

<sup>1</sup>Senate SED committee amendments adopted September 14, 2020.

<sup>2</sup>Assembly AED committee amendments adopted June 9, 2021.

1 of students to <sup>1</sup>【school psychologists】 the total number of mental  
2 health professionals providing services in the school and the  
3 district<sup>1</sup>; and

4 (15) the number of school <sup>2</sup>【security personnel, including safe  
5 schools resource officers, Class Three special law enforcement  
6 officers, and any other security officers, respectively, and the ratio  
7 of students to each category of school security personnel】 safety  
8 specialists<sup>2</sup>; and

9 b. the school district, as appropriate:

10 (1) per pupil expenditures and State aid ratio;

11 (2) percent of budget allocated for salaries and benefits of  
12 administrative personnel;

13 (3) percent of budget allocated for salaries and benefits of  
14 teachers;

15 (4) percentage increase over the previous year for salaries and  
16 benefits of administrative and instructional personnel;

17 (5) the number of administrative personnel and the ratio of  
18 administrative personnel to instructional personnel;

19 (6) a profile of the most recent graduating class concerning their  
20 educational or employment plans following graduation; and

21 (7) any other information which the commissioner deems  
22 appropriate.

23 For the purposes of this section, the Commissioner of Education  
24 shall establish a uniform methodology for the reporting of the data  
25 concerning administrative personnel on a full-time equivalent basis.  
26 (cf: P.L.2018, c.23, s.1)

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28 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to  
29 the school report card issued for the first full school year following  
30 the date of enactment.