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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits teaching staff members from inputting information and conversations regarding individually identifiable health information into third party software applications managed by entities engaging in partisan political activity.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the input of certain information and
2 conversations by teaching staff members into third party
3 software applications and supplementing chapter 36 of Title 18A
4 of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

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9 1. a. A teaching staff member employed by a board of
10 education shall not input the individually identifiable health
11 information of a student or members of a student's family, or
12 conversations concerning such information, into a third party
13 software application managed by an entity that engages in partisan
14 political activity.

15 b. For purposes of this section:

16 "Individually identifiable health information" means any
17 information, including genetic or vaccination information, relating
18 to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition
19 of an individual that either identifies the individual or could
20 reasonably be used to identify the individual; and

21 "Partisan political activity" means campaigning, fundraising, and
22 electioneering on behalf of candidates or political parties.

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to the
25 first school year next following enactment.

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STATEMENT

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30 This bill prohibits a teaching staff member employed by a board
31 of education from inputting the individually identifiable health
32 information of a student or members of a student's family, or
33 conversations concerning such information, into a third party
34 software application managed by an entity that engages in partisan
35 political activity. The bill defines "individually identifiable health
36 information" as any information, including genetic or vaccination
37 information, relating to the past, present, or future physical or
38 mental health or condition of an individual that either identifies the
39 individual or could reasonably be used to identify the individual.
40 The bill also defines "partisan political activity" as campaigning,
41 fundraising, and electioneering on behalf of candidates or political
42 parties.