

**A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY
LEGISLATOR RATH, MILLS, LORIGO, MORTON, DIXON & HARDWICK**

Re: Support for Repeal of the Gap Elimination Adjustment Law

WHEREAS, the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) law was passed in 2010 as an attempt to address New York State's multi-billion dollar budget deficit by pushing that deficit onto school districts; and

WHEREAS, school districts throughout New York State have been forced to pay for the State's deficit for several years now; and

WHEREAS, the deficit passed on to NYS Schools has had a detrimental impact on local education and extracurricular programs; and

WHEREAS, elimination of the GEA would result in \$434 million being returned to school districts in this fiscal year alone; and

WHEREAS, the reason for the initial implementation of the GEA was a budget deficit that no longer exists today and restoration of that funding should be a priority of our state leaders; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body requests that the NYS Senate and Assembly hold off passing a budget for 2016 that continues to impose the GEA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this honorable body hereby supports NYS Legislative Bills (A5365/S2643), and recently passed Senate Bill 6377; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this honorable body hereby requests that New York State hereby repay the suburban school districts from past budget shortcomings in an effort to repair the damage done by the Gap Elimination Adjustment law; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Western New York Delegation of the New York State Senate and Assemblies, Governor Cuomo's Office, and any other party deemed necessary and proper.

Fiscal Impact: none

6377

IN SENATE

January 7, 2016

Introduced by Sens. FLANAGAN, KLEIN, MARCELLINO, AKSHAR, AMEDORE, AVELLA, BONACIC, BOYLE, CARLUCCI, CROCI, DeFRANCISCO, FARLEY, FELDER, FUNKE, GALLIVAN, GOLDEN, GRIFFO, HANNON, LANZA, LARKIN, LAVALLE, LITTLE, MARCHIONE, MARTINS, MURPHY, NOZZOLIO, O'MARA, ORTT, RANZENHOFER, RITCHIE, ROBACH, SAVINO, SERINO, SEWARD, VALESKY, VENDITTO, YOUNG -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the gap elimination adjustment

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 17 of section 3602 of the education law is amended by adding a new paragraph i to read as follows:

I. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE GAP ELIMINATION ADJUSTMENT FOR THE TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN--TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN SCHOOL YEAR SHALL EQUAL ZERO.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

LBD13511-01-6

2643

2015-2016 Regular Sessions

I N S E N A T E

January 27, 2015

Introduced by Sen. SEWARD -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to repeal subdivision 17 of section 3602 of the education law relating to eliminating the gap elimination adjustment

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 17 of section 3602 of the education law is REPEALED.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

LBD05817-02-5

5365

2015-2016 Regular Sessions

I N A S S E M B L Y

February 20, 2015

Introduced by M. of A. BRINDISI, BARRETT, BUCHWALD, CLARK, FRIEND, ENGLEBRIGHT, GUNTHER, HOOPER, JAFFEE, KEARNS, LAVINE, LUPARDO, RAMOS, RUSSELL, SANTABARBARA, SCHIMMINGER, STECK, STIRPE, SKOUFIS, TENNEY, NOJAY, GIGLIO, ABINANTI, McDONALD, MAYER, TEDISCO, MOSLEY, RA, FAHY, LUPINACCI, SKARTADOS, GARBARINO, CURRAN -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BLANKENBUSH, DUPREY, McDONOUGH, McLAUGHLIN, MONTESANO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

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