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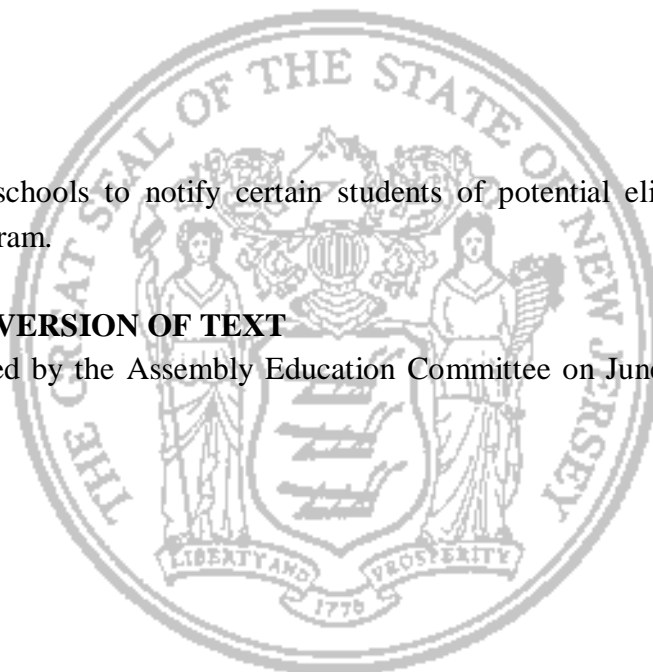
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SYNOPSIS

Requires schools to notify certain students of potential eligibility for NJ STARS Program.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on June 8, 2009, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning notification of eligibility for the NJ STARS
2 Program and supplementing P.L.2004, c.59 (C.18A:71B-81 et
3 seq.)

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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. In September of each school year, 'the board of education
9 of a school district or the chief school administrator of a nonpublic
10 school shall provide each student in the 9th grade with general
11 information on the New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Reward
12 Scholarship (NJ STARS) Program created pursuant to P.L.2004,
13 c.59 (C.18A:71B-81 et seq.).

14 b. In September of each school year,¹ the board of education of
15 a school district or the chief school administrator of a nonpublic
16 school shall notify each student in the 11th grade who is ranked in
17 the top ~~'[30%]~~ 25.0%¹ of the class of his potential to qualify for
18 the ~~'[New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Reward Scholarship~~
19 ~~(NJ STARS) Program created pursuant to P.L.2004, c.59~~
20 ~~(C.18A:71B-81 et seq.)]~~ NJ STARS Program¹ if the student's class
21 rank at the time of high school graduation is within the top ~~'[20%]~~
22 15.0%¹ of the graduating class.

23 ~~'[b.In January of each school year, the board of education of a~~
24 ~~school district or the chief school administrator of a nonpublic~~
25 ~~school shall notify each student in the 12th grade who may be~~
26 ~~eligible for the NJ STARS Program upon high school graduation in~~
27 ~~accordance with the provisions of P.L.2004, c.59 (C.18A:71B-81 et~~
28 ~~seq.) of his potential program eligibility]~~ The notification shall
29 include information about the rigorous course of study required to
30 qualify for the program.

31 A student in the 12th grade shall be notified of conditional
32 eligibility for the NJ STARS Program by the Higher Education
33 Student Assistance Authority in accordance with the provisions of
34 section 2 of P.L.2008, c.124 (C.18A:71B-85.1)¹.

35 c. The notification 'by the board of education or chief school
36 administrator¹ required pursuant to subsections a. and b. of this
37 section shall be communicated via regular or electronic mail or sent
38 home with the student and include a brief description of the NJ
39 STARS Program and the requirements for eligibility for the
40 program.

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42 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
43 the ~~'[2008-2009]~~ 2009-2010¹ school year.

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 June 8, 2009.