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Referred to Committee on Education

AN ACT creating a School Budget Review Board in the Department
of Education, amending N. J. S. 18A:22-38, and supplementing
chapter 22 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. This act may be known and cited as the "School Budget Re-
2 view Board Act of 1973."

1 2. N. J. S. 18A:22-38 is amended to read as follows:

2 18A:22-38. If said governing body or bodies shall fail so to
3 certify any amount, determined by them to be necessary for any
4 item rejected at the annual school election, or in event that the
5 governing bodies of the municipalities comprising a school district,
6 shall certify different amounts, then the **[commissioner]** *School*
7 *Budget Review Board* shall determine the amount or amounts
8 which in **[his]** *its* judgment, are necessary to be appropriated, for
9 each of the items appearing in the budget, submitted to such gov-
10 erning body or bodies, to provide a thorough and efficient system of
11 public schools in the district, and certify to the county board of
12 taxation the totals of the amount so determined to be necessary
13 for each of the following:

14 a. Current expenses of schools;

15 b. Vocational evening schools or classes;

16 c. Evening schools or classes for foreign-born residents;

17 d. Appropriations to capital reserve fund; or

18 e. Any capital project, the cost whereof is to be paid directly
19 from such taxes; and the amounts so certified shall be included in
20 the taxes to be assessed, levied and collected in such municipality
21 or municipalities for such purposes.

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill
is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

1 3. A School Budget Review Board is hereby created in the De-
2 partment of Education for the purpose of reviewing school budgets
3 which have been rejected by the voters in a school election and of
4 making fiscal recommendations in connection therewith.

1 4. The board shall consist of seven members, the Commissioner
2 of Education, who shall serve ex officio and six members to be
3 appointed by the Governor as follows: two members from the field
4 of education, two local elected officials, not more than one of whom
5 shall be a member of a board of education, and two citizen mem-
6 bers, one of whom shall be a registered municipal accountant of
7 New Jersey or a certified public accountant of New Jersey who
8 shall hold an uncanceled registration license as a public school
9 accountant for New Jersey.

10 Each member of the board, except the members first appointed
11 and the Commissioner of Education, shall serve for a term of 2
12 years. Each member shall hold office until the appointment of his
13 successor. The initial appointments to the board shall be three
14 members for a term of 1 year and three members for a term of
15 2 years.

16 Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term only. Members
17 of the board shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled
18 to be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses.

1 5. The board shall meet at the call of the Governor as soon as
2 may be following selection of its members, and shall organize by
3 the selection of a chairman from among its membership and a
4 secretary who need not be a member. The board shall fix the date
5 for its organization meeting and the dates for other regular meet-
6 ings during each year.

1 6. It shall be the duty and responsibility of the board to:

2 a. Hear appeals from governing bodies concerning school
3 budgets which have been rejected by the voters in the school
4 district;

5 b. Review the budgets of school districts and determine the
6 amount or amounts necessary to provide a thorough and efficient
7 system of public schools.

1 7. This act shall take effect immediately.