# 18A:36-27

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NJSA: 18A:36-27 (Requires schools to provide eligible high school students with voter registration material)

BILL NO: A2752 (Substituted for S2541)

**SPONSOR(S)** Caputo and Others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** May 19, 2008

COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: Education

**SENATE:** Education

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE:** ASSEMBLY: December 15, 2008

**SENATE:** January 7, 2010

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FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (First reprint of bill enacted)

A2752

SPONSOR'S STATEMENT: (Begins on page 2 of introduced bill)

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes

**SENATE**: Yes

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

S2541

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** (Begins on page 2 of introduced bill)

Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:** ASSEMBLY: No

**SENATE**: Yes

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

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# [First Reprint]

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2752

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# 213th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 19, 2008

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman RALPH R. CAPUTO
District 28 (Essex)
Assemblywoman VALERIE VAINIERI HUTTLE

District 27 (Barrers)

District 37 (Bergen)

Assemblyman DOUGLAS H. FISHER

**District 3 (Salem, Cumberland and Gloucester)** 

## Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Diegnan, Assemblywoman Greenstein, Assemblyman DeAngelo, Senators Rice, Baroni, Redd and Bucco

## **SYNOPSIS**

Requires schools to provide eligible high school students with voter registration material.

# **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on November 13, 2008, with amendments.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/8/2010)

# **A2752** [1R] CAPUTO, VAINIERI HUTTLE

AN ACT providing for the distribution of voter registration material 2 <sup>1</sup>[upon receipt of a high school diploma] to eligible high school students<sup>1</sup> and amending P.L.1985, c.41. 3

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

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- 1. Section 1 of P.L.1985, c.41 (C.18A:36-27) is amended to read as follows:
- 10 1. The board of education of each school district and the 11 appropriate school officials in each nonpublic school shall provide a voter registration form, a summary of voter registration eligibility 12 13 requirements, and material describing the role of a citizen and the 14 importance of voting to each [eligible] '[graduating] eligible' high school pupil [in conjunction with the voter registration drive 15 conducted by each county commissioner of registration pursuant to 16 17 R.S. 19:31-2] <sup>1</sup>[upon issuance of the diploma] prior to the graduation date for the school year<sup>1</sup>. This material shall be 18 19 nonpartisan and conform to the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:42-4.
- (cf: P.L.1985, c.41, s.1) 20

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2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to the first full school year following the date of enactment.

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

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2752

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# 213th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 19, 2008

Sponsored by:
Assemblyman RALPH R. CAPUTO
District 28 (Essex)
Assemblywoman VALERIE VAINIERI HUTTLE
District 37 (Bergen)
Assemblyman DOUGLAS H. FISHER
District 3 (Salem, Cumberland and Gloucester)

## **SYNOPSIS**

Requires schools to provide graduating students with voter registration material.

## **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 9/23/2008)

## A2752 CAPUTO, VAINIERI HUTTLE

1	AN ACT providing for the distribution of voter registration material
2	upon receipt of a high school diploma and amending P.L.1985,
3	c.41.

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

- 1. Section 1 of P.L.1985, c.41 (C.18A:36-27) is amended to read as follows:
- 1. The board of education of each school district and the appropriate school officials in each nonpublic school shall provide a voter registration form, a summary of voter registration eligibility requirements, and material describing the role of a citizen and the importance of voting to each [eligible] graduating high school pupil [in conjunction with the voter registration drive conducted by each county commissioner of registration pursuant to R.S. 19:31-2] upon issuance of the diploma. This material shall be nonpartisan and conform to the provisions of N.J.S. 18A:42-4.

(cf: P.L.1985, c.41, s.1)

2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to the first full school year following the date of enactment.

#### **STATEMENT**

This bill requires that public and nonpublic schools provide graduating pupils with voter registration material at the same time the high school diploma is issued. Under current law, schools are required to provide similar information to pupils in conjunction with voter registration drives conducted by the county commissioner of registration. The purpose of this bill is to modify the means of distributing this information to pupils. The objective is to increase the likelihood that the materials are received.

## ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2752

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 13, 2008

The Assembly Education Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 2752 with committee amendments.

This bill, as amended, requires that public and nonpublic schools provide eligible high school pupils with voter registration material prior to the graduation date for the school year. Under current law, schools are required to provide similar information to pupils in conjunction with voter registration drives conducted by the county commissioner of registration. The purpose of this bill is to modify the means of distributing this information to pupils. The objective is to increase the likelihood that the materials are received.

The committee amended the bill to provide that the voter registration material must be given to pupils prior to graduation day. As introduced, the bill would have required that the school provide the voter registration material to pupils at graduation. The amendment ensures that pupils who are eligible to register to vote, but not yet graduating, will receive the material.

## SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

# STATEMENT TO

# [First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 2752

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 9, 2009

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 2752 (1R).

This bill requires that public and nonpublic schools provide eligible high school pupils with voter registration materials, including a summary of voter registration eligibility requirements, a voter registration form, and material describing the role of a citizen and the importance of voting, prior to the graduation date for the school year. Under current law, schools are required to provide a voter registration form and material describing the role of a citizen and the importance of voting to pupils in conjunction with voter registration drives conducted by the county commissioner of registration. The purpose of this bill is to modify the means of distributing this information to pupils. The objective is to increase the likelihood that the materials are received.

As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2541, which also was reported by the committee on this same date.

# SENATE, No. 2541

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

# 213th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 2, 2009

Sponsored by:
Senator RONAL

**Senator RONALD L. RICE** 

District 28 (Essex)

**Senator BILL BARONI** 

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)** 

**Co-Sponsored by:** 

**Senators Redd and Bucco** 

## **SYNOPSIS**

Requires schools to provide eligible high school students with voter registration material.

## **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/8/2010)

## S2541 RICE, BARONI

1	AN ACT providing for the distribution of voter registration material
2	to eligible high school students and amending P.L.1985, c.41.
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**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. Section 1 of P.L.1985, c.41 (C.18A:36-27) is amended to read as follows:
- 1. The board of education of each school district and the appropriate school officials in each nonpublic school shall provide a voter registration form, a summary of voter registration eligibility requirements, and material describing the role of a citizen and the importance of voting to each eligible high school pupil [in conjunction with the voter registration drive conducted by each county commissioner of registration pursuant to R.S. 19:31-2] prior to the graduation date for the school year. This material shall be nonpartisan and conform to the provisions of N.J.S.18A:42-4.

18 (cf: P.L.1985, c.41, s.1)

2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to the first full school year following the date of enactment.

#### **STATEMENT**

This bill requires that public and nonpublic schools provide eligible high school pupils with voter registration material prior to the graduation date for the school year. Under current law, schools are required to provide similar information to pupils in conjunction with voter registration drives conducted by the county commissioner of registration. The purpose of this bill is to modify the means of distributing this information to pupils. The objective is to increase the likelihood that the materials are received.

## SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

# STATEMENT TO

# **SENATE, No. 2541**

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 9, 2009

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