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[FIRST REPRINT] SENATE, No. 886

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MARCH 21, 1994

By Senators PALAIA and EWING

AN ACT designating ¹[the second] <u>a certain</u> week in May of each year as "Special Education Week" and supplementing chapter 36 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

- 1. The Legislature finds and declares that:
- a. Every year tens of thousands of children receive special education instruction in New Jersey's public and private schools;
- b. In addition, many special needs children are enrolled in preschool and early intervention programs in this State;
- c. Thousands of special needs adults receive job counselling, housing assistance and continuing education instruction in New Jersey;
- d. Thousands of parents, teachers, child study team members and school administrators give generously of their time and energy to support the learning needs of special education students;
- e. The public school districts and the private schools of New Jersey make a major contribution to the public welfare by preparing thousands of exceptional persons to participate as citizens of this State and as members of society; and
- f. Local public school board members as well as the boards of directors and trustees of the private schools and agencies for the handicapped in the State serve as advocates of the rights of exceptional citizens.
- 2. The ¹[second]¹ week ¹[of] beginning with the second Sunday in ¹ May of each year is designated as "Special Education Week" in the State of New Jersey in order to give the citizens of this State the opportunity to recognize the contribution of public school board members, schools and agencies for the handicapped, educators, parents and the students themselves, and to commend them for their dedication to ensuring quality education for the exceptional citizens of this State.
 - 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Designates a certain week in May as "Special Education Week" in New Jersey.

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:

Senate SED committee amendments adopted September 12, 1994.

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STATEMENT

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SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 886

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 12, 1994

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 886 with committee amendments.

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The committee amended the date for "Special Education Week" in order to conform it with the week in May which has been traditionally designated for the observance.