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P.L. 2020, CHAPTER 85, *approved September 14, 2020*
Senate, No. 2573 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT establishing the position of State School Nurse Consultant
2 in the Department of Education and supplementing chapter 4 of
3 Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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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. The Commissioner of Education shall appoint a State
9 School Nurse Consultant. The State School Nurse Consultant shall be
10 a ¹New Jersey¹ certified school nurse who holds a master's degree ¹**[in**
11 **nursing and has management experience and leadership and education**
12 **administration training or skills]** and has demonstrated higher-level
13 leadership with recent school nursing experience¹. The State School
14 Nurse Consultant shall work with school districts and school nurses to
15 ¹**[promote quality school nursing services and]** facilitate best practices
16 by advancing comprehensive¹ school health ¹**[programs]** services¹
17 that address the ¹**[broad]**¹ health ¹**[needs]** and wellness¹ of ¹**all**¹
18 students. The State School Nurse Consultant, in performing the duties
19 of the position, shall collaborate with the Department of Health ¹**[and**
20 **the New Jersey State Board of Nursing]** , other State agencies, and
21 associated stakeholders¹.

22 b. It shall be the duty of the State School Nurse Consultant to:
23 (1) Serve as a liaison and resource expert in school nursing and
24 ¹comprehensive¹ school health ¹**[program areas]** services¹ for ¹**[local,**
25 **regional]** county¹, State, and national school health ¹**[care providers]**
26 organizations¹, and policy setting groups;
27 (2) Provide consultation and technical assistance to ¹support¹
28 school districts ¹**[, parents,]** in facilitating parent¹ and community
29 ¹**[members]** engagement¹;
30 (3) Coordinate school health program activities with public health,
31 social services, environmental, and educational agencies as well as
32 other public and private entities;
33 (4) Monitor, interpret, synthesize, and disseminate relevant
34 information associated with changes in health and medical care, school
35 nursing practice, legislation, and legal issues that impact schools;
36 (5) Facilitate the development of policies, standards, and
37 guidelines ¹**[and interpret updates and disseminate policies, standards,**
38 **guidelines, and procedures]**¹ to enhance ¹**[coordinated]**
39 comprehensive¹ school health ¹**[programs]** services¹;

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:

¹Senate SED committee amendments adopted June 25, 2020.

- 1 (6) Foster and promote **1[staff] professional¹** development for
2 school nurses, which may include planning **1[and providing**
3 **orientation]¹**, coordinating^{1,1} or providing educational **1[offerings]**
4 **guidance¹**, and networking with universities and other providers of
5 continuing education to meet identified needs;
- 6 (7) Promote quality assurance **1[in] of comprehensive¹** school
7 health services by **1[initiating and coordinating a quality assurance**
8 **program that includes needs assessment, data collection and analysis,**
9 **and evidenced-based practice] advocating for the use of evidence-**
10 **based school nursing practice and participating in the National**
11 **Association of School Nurses data collection initiatives¹**;
- 12 (8) Participate in State-level public interagency partnerships and
13 private partnerships with Statewide stakeholders to foster **1[a**
14 **coordinated] comprehensive¹** school health **1[program] services¹**,
15 representing school nurses in multi-disciplinary collaborations;
- 16 (9) Initiate, participate in, and utilize research studies related to
17 **1[a coordinated] comprehensive¹** school health **1[program] services¹**,
18 the health needs of children and youth, school nursing practice, and
19 related issues; and
- 20 (10) Serve as a liaison regarding school health issues with the
21 Department of Health and the Legislature.

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23 2. The State School Nurse Consultant shall report annually to the
24 Governor, and to the Legislature pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991,
25 c.164 (C.52:14-19.1). The report shall include a summary of the
26 activities of the State School Nurse Consultant during the year, and
27 any specific recommendations deemed appropriate and necessary
28 concerning school **1[nurse] nursing¹** services and **1comprehensive¹**
29 school health service programs.

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31 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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36 Establishes position of State School Nurse Consultant in DOE to
37 facilitate best practices in school nursing by advancing
38 comprehensive school health services.

SENATE, No. 2573

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 15, 2020

Sponsored by:

Senator M. TERESA RUIZ

District 29 (Essex)

Senator RICHARD J. CODEY

District 27 (Essex and Morris)

SYNOPSIS

Establishes position of State School Nurse Consultant in DOE to promote quality school nursing services and school health programs.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/25/2020)

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11 and has management experience and leadership and education
12 administration training or skills. The State School Nurse
13 Consultant shall work with school districts and school nurses to
14 promote quality school nursing services and school health programs
15 that address the broad health needs of students. The State School
16 Nurse Consultant, in performing the duties of the position, shall
17 collaborate with the Department of Health and the New Jersey State
18 Board of Nursing.

19 b. It shall be the duty of the State School Nurse Consultant to:

20 (1) Serve as a liaison and resource expert in school nursing and
21 school health program areas for local, regional, State, and national
22 school health care providers, and policy setting groups;

23 (2) Provide consultation and technical assistance to school
24 districts, parents, and community members;

25 (3) Coordinate school health program activities with public
26 health, social services, environmental, and educational agencies as
27 well as other public and private entities;

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29 information associated with changes in health and medical care,
30 school nursing practice, legislation, and legal issues that impact
31 schools;

32 (5) Facilitate the development of policies, standards, and
33 guidelines and interpret updates and disseminate policies, standards,
34 guidelines, and procedures to enhance coordinated school health
35 programs;

36 (6) Foster and promote staff development for school nurses,
37 which may include planning and providing orientation, coordinating
38 or providing educational offerings, and networking with universities
39 and other providers of continuing education to meet identified
40 needs;

41 (7) Promote quality assurance in school health services by
42 initiating and coordinating a quality assurance program that
43 includes needs assessment, data collection and analysis, and
44 evidenced-based practice;

45 (8) Participate in State-level public interagency partnerships and
46 private partnerships with Statewide stakeholders to foster a
47 coordinated school health program, representing school nurses in
48 multi-disciplinary collaborations;

1 (9) Initiate, participate in, and utilize research studies related to
2 a coordinated school health program, the health needs of children
3 and youth, school nursing practice, and related issues; and

4 (10) Serve as a liaison regarding school health issues with the
5 Department of Health and the Legislature.

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7 2. The State School Nurse Consultant shall report annually to
8 the Governor, and to the Legislature pursuant to section 2 of
9 P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1). The report shall include a
10 summary of the activities of the State School Nurse Consultant
11 during the year, and any specific recommendations deemed
12 appropriate and necessary concerning school nurse services and
13 school health service programs.

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15 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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20 This bill requires the Commissioner of Education to appoint a
21 State School Nurse Consultant to work with school districts and
22 school nurses to promote quality school nursing services and school
23 health programs that address the broad health needs of students
24 through the State. The person appointed to the position is required
25 to be a certified school nurse who holds a master's degree in nursing
26 and has management experience and leadership and education
27 administration training or skills. The State School Nurse
28 Consultant is required to collaborate with the Department of Health
29 and the New Jersey State Board of Nursing and perform the
30 following duties:

31 • Serve as a liaison and resource expert in school nursing
32 and school health program areas for local, regional, State,
33 and national school health care providers, and policy
34 setting groups;

35 • Provide consultation and technical assistance to school
36 districts, parents, and community members;

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43 legal issues that impact schools;

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45 guidelines and interpret updates and disseminate policies,
46 standards, guidelines, and procedures to enhance
47 coordinated school health programs;

- 1 • Foster and promote staff development for school nurses;
- 2 • Promote quality assurance in school health services by
- 3 initiating and coordinating a quality assurance program;
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- 5 and private partnerships with Statewide stakeholders to
- 6 foster a coordinated school health program, representing
- 7 school nurses in multi-disciplinary collaborations;
- 8 • Initiate, participate in, and utilize research studies related
- 9 to a coordinated school health program, the health needs
- 10 of children and youth, school nursing practice, and related
- 11 issues; and
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- 13 Department of Health and the Legislature.

14 School nursing services are a vital component of the support
15 services required for the health and safety of students and staff
16 while at school. The State School Nurse Consultant will provide
17 nursing leadership to ensure effective school nurse services
18 throughout the State and, in addition, develop and promote quality
19 standards for school health services programs that reflect current
20 school nursing practice. The leadership provided by the State
21 School Nurse Consultant will foster a better understanding among
22 educators, parents, and the general public regarding the relationship
23 between health status and a student's capacity to learn.

ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2573

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JULY 22, 2020

The Assembly Education Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2573 (1R).

This bill establishes the position of State School Nurse Consultant in the Department of Education. Under the bill, the State School Nurse Consultant would work with school districts and school nurses to facilitate best practices in school nursing by advancing comprehensive school health services to address the health and wellness of all students throughout the State.

The bill requires the Commissioner of Education to appoint the State School Nurse Consultant. The person appointed to the position is required to be a New Jersey certified school nurse who holds a master's degree and has demonstrated higher-level leadership with recent school nursing experience. Once appointed, the State School Nurse Consultant would be required to collaborate with the Department of Health (DOH), other State agencies, and associated stakeholders in executing the duties of the position.

As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4378, which was amended and also reported by the committee on this same date.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2573

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 25, 2020

The Senate Education Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 2573 with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill establishes the position of State School Nurse Consultant in the Department of Education. Under the bill, the State School Nurse Consultant would work with school districts and school nurses to facilitate best practices in school nursing by advancing comprehensive school health services to address the health and wellness of all students throughout the State.

The bill requires the Commissioner of Education to appoint the State School Nurse Consultant. The person appointed to the position is required to be a New Jersey certified school nurse who holds a master's degree and has demonstrated higher-level leadership with recent school nursing experience. Once appointed, the State School Nurse Consultant would be required to collaborate with the Department of Health (DOH), other State agencies, and associated stakeholders in executing the duties of the position.

The committee amendments revise the eligibility requirements for the position of State School Nurse Consultant. As amended, the bill requires the person to be a New Jersey certified school nurse who holds a master's degree and has demonstrated higher-level leadership with recent school nursing experience. As introduced, the person was required to be a certified school nurse who holds a master's degree in nursing and has management experience and leadership and education administration training or skills.

The committee amendments also require the State School Nurse Consultant to collaborate with the DOH, other State agencies, and associated stakeholders in executing the duties of the position. As introduced, the consultant was only required to collaborate with the DOH and the New Jersey State Board of Nursing.

Additionally, the committee amendments include technical changes to clarify the mission and duties of the State School Nurse Consultant.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2573

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JULY 2, 2020

SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Establishes position of State School Nurse Consultant in DOE to facilitate best practices in school nursing by advancing comprehensive school health services.
- Type of Impact:** State expenditure increase.
- Agencies Affected:** Department of Education.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Annual</u>
Expenditure Increase to Department of Education	Indeterminate

- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) concludes that enactment of this bill would result in an indeterminate increase in State expenditures to the Department of Education (DOE), primarily to provide for the salary and fringe benefits of the State School Nurse Consultant. The bill may also result in increased State costs to the DOE to the extent that additional staff, materials and supplies, and office space may be needed to support the role of the State School Nurse Consultant.
- Using the most recently available public payroll data from neighboring states to New Jersey, the OLS finds that the average annual salaries for State School Nurse Consultants in those states range between approximately \$100,000 and \$150,000.

BILL DESCRIPTION

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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Using the most recently available public payroll data from neighboring states to New Jersey, the OLS finds that the average annual salaries for the equivalent positions of State School Nurse Consultants in those states range between approximately \$100,000 and \$150,000. The current fringe benefit rate for public employees in New Jersey, as enumerated by the Office of Management and Budget, is 38.5 percent of base salary costs. Thus, total personnel costs for the hiring of a State School Nurse Consultant in New Jersey may be between \$138,500 and \$207,750, if the State provides a base salary that is consistent with those of State School Nurse Consultants in other nearby states.

Section: Education

*Analyst: Christopher Myles
Assistant Fiscal Analyst*

*Approved: Frank W. Haines III
Legislative Budget and Finance Officer*

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).

ASSEMBLY, No. 4378

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JULY 2, 2020

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman ROBERT J. KARABINCHAK

District 18 (Middlesex)

Assemblywoman MILA M. JASEY

District 27 (Essex and Morris)

Assemblywoman PAMELA R. LAMPITT

District 6 (Burlington and Camden)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman Speight and Assemblyman Benson

SYNOPSIS

Establishes position of State School Nurse Consultant in DOE to promote quality school nursing services and school health programs.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 7/23/2020)

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ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4378

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JULY 22, 2020

The Assembly Education Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4378 with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill establishes the position of State School Nurse Consultant in the Department of Education. Under the bill, the State School Nurse Consultant would work with school districts and school nurses to facilitate best practices in school nursing by advancing comprehensive school health services to address the health and wellness of all students throughout the State.

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As amended and reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2573 (1R), which also was reported by the committee on this same date.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to:

- revise the eligibility requirements for the position of State School Nurse Consultant. As amended, the bill requires the person to be a New Jersey certified school nurse who holds a master's degree and has demonstrated higher-level leadership with recent school nursing experience. As introduced, the person was required to be a certified school nurse who holds a master's degree in nursing and has management experience and leadership and education administration training or skills;
- require the State School Nurse Consultant to collaborate with the DOH, other State agencies, and associated stakeholders in executing the duties of the position. As introduced, the consultant was only required to collaborate with the DOH and the New Jersey State Board of Nursing; and
- include technical changes to clarify the mission and duties of the State School Nurse Consultant.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 4378

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
219th LEGISLATURE**

DATED: JULY 31, 2020

SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Establishes position of State School Nurse Consultant in DOE to facilitate best practices in school nursing by advancing comprehensive school health services.
- Type of Impact:** Annual State expenditure increase.
- Agencies Affected:** Department of Education.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Annual</u>
State Expenditure Increase	Indeterminate

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

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OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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Section: Education

*Analyst: Christopher Myles
Associate Fiscal Analyst*

*Approved: Frank W. Haines III
Legislative Budget and Finance Officer*

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).

Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

09/14/2020

TRENTON – Today, Governor Phil Murphy signed the following bills and resolutions into law:

S-349/A-1993 (Smith, Greenstein/Pinkin, Benson, Kennedy) – Requires developers to offer electric vehicle charging stations as option in certain new home construction

S-806/A-895 (Cunningham, Pou/Giblin, Timberlake, Jasey) – Provides that New Jersey Better Educational Savings Trust (NJBEST) Program scholarship may be awarded in any semester of attendance or enrollment at institution of higher education in State

S-960/A-3628 (Rice/Lopez) – Requires parent to provide completed financial aid application to Higher Education Student Assistance Authority if parent's dependent applies to State for student financial aid

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S-971/A-2106 (Lagana, Cunningham, Weinberg/Swain, Tully, Wimberly) – "New Jersey Fair Play Act"; allows collegiate student-athletes to earn compensation for use of name, image, or likeness

S-2380/A-3999 (Sweeney, Scutari, Singer, Greenstein/Giblin, Burzichelli, Murphy, Downey) – Concerns employment benefits and coronavirus disease 2019 infections contracted by essential employees

S-2573/A-4378 (Ruiz, Codey/Karabinchak, Jasey, Lampitt) – Establishes position of State School Nurse Consultant in DOE to facilitate best practices in school nursing by advancing comprehensive school health services

SJR-79/AJR-167 (Greenstein, Gill/Vainieri Huttel, Tucker, Murphy) – Creates commission to study sexual assault, misconduct, and harassment by staff against inmates in State correctional facilities

A-2669/S-1198 (Mukherji/Pou, Oroho) – Concerning motor vehicle ancillary production products and service contracts

Governor Murphy absolute vetoed the following bill:

A-3965/S-2463 (Moen, Murphy, Mukherji/Greenstein, Cruz-Perez) – ABSOLUTE – Expands existing EDA loan program to include certain small producers and retailers of alcoholic beverages

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