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AMENDMENT MEMO



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2023 Assembly Bill 1024

Assembly Amendment 1

CURRENT LAW

Current law requires school districts to mail a notice letter to parents when a student qualifies as habitually truant, which means the student has had five unexcused absences during a semester. The letter must include the following information: (1) a statement that the parent must have the student attend regularly; (2) a statement that the parent may request program or curriculum modifications; (3) a statement that the student may be eligible for a program for children at risk; (4) a request that the parent meet with school personnel; and (5) a statement of the potential penalties for failing to have the student attend school regularly.

2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 1024

Assembly Bill 1024 requires the parent notification letter to include additional information for parents regarding evaluation for special education services. Specifically, the letter must include a statement informing parents that they may ask for an evaluation of whether the student is a child with a disability, or may ask to have an existing individualized education program (IEP) reviewed or revised.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 adds further required information to the parent notification letter. Under the amendment, a parent notification letter must state that a parent may correct an unexcused absence by providing documentation to the school district demonstrating that the absence is excused.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Binsfeld on February 7, 2024. On February 14, 2024, the Assembly Committee on Education adopted the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 11; Noes, 4. The committee then passed the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 9; Noes, 6.

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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