

**Bills Effecting the Delaware State Education Association
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Bill Number	Title	Synopsis	Prime Sponsors	History
HS 1 for HB 12	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS	This bill provides State funding to kindergarten through third grade for basic special education. State funding already occurs for intensive and complex special education during these grades. Currently the basic special education funding runs from fourth through twelfth grade. This bill is an effort to promote earlier identification and assistance for basic special education needs which should then mitigate costs over the long term. Pursuant to its terms, funding for K-3 special education will be phased in gradually over 4 years.	Rep. K.Williams & Sen. Poore	1/18/2017- Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House with 4 Favorable, 9 On Its Merits 1/5/17-Adopted in lieu of the original bill HB 12, and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HB 3	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14 AND 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE.	This legislation requires that all full-time employees of the State, including employees of school districts, continuously in the employ of the state for at least one year, shall be eligible for 12 weeks of paid leave upon the birth or adoption of a child 6 years of age or younger. Both parents would be eligible for such leave. Employees shall continue to have the right, as they do under current law, to use accrued sick leave for maternity and paternity purposes. This legislation leaves intact the rights of persons adopting a child over 6 years of age to take unpaid leave. Due to lack of adequate paid family leave policies, many parents must return to work sooner than is optimal for the health of mothers (in the case of biological birth) and children. Granting paid leave will contribute to the establishment of parent-child bonds, breastfeeding establishment,	Rep. Heffernan	6/20/2018 Passed the Senate 6/19/2018 Reported out Senate Government Affairs Committee 6/13/2018 Assigned to House Senate

<p>and allow infants to receive vaccines and develop stronger immune systems prior to entering daycare. Further, a more generous leave policy will increase the productivity of workers and reduce employee turnover. This Act takes effect January 1, 2019. The Office of Management and Budget is directed to establish guidelines for the implementation of this Act.</p> <p>HA 1- This Amendment replaces the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") with the Department of Human Resources ("Department"). The Department was created last year and now oversees various responsibilities that previously belonged to OMB. This change requires the Department to establish guidelines for other state agencies to follow in granting leave under this Act and to distribute the guidelines to these state agencies</p> <p>HA 2-This amendment reduces the amount of paid leave by half and thereby reduces the costs to the School District and State agencies who must either pay temporary workers to complete the work during the paid absence or burden existing workers with the additional workload.</p> <p>HA 3- This amendment delays the enactment of the bill until April, 2019 to provide the Department of Human Resources and the school districts time to establish guidelines and procedures regarding parental leave. This amendment clarifies that the employees of all school districts employees, charter schools and vocational school districts are included in the bill. This amendment also clarifies that parental leave, FMLA and short-term disability are to run concurrently. This amendment establishes reporting requirements, which will enable the number of people using parental leave and the impact the program is having on retention and recruitment of employees to be evaluated. Finally, this amendment makes technical changes to the bill.</p> <p>SA 1- This amendment reduces the amount of paid leave from 12 weeks to 6 weeks.</p>	<p>Government Affairs</p> <p>6/12/2018 Passed By House. Votes</p> <p>6/6/2018 Reported Out of House Appropriations</p> <p>3/14/2018 Assigned to House Appropriations</p> <p>1/17/2018 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>4/5/2017 Introduced and Assigned to House Administration</p> <p>1/17/2018 Reported out Committee and Assigned to House Appropriations</p> <p>6/6/2018 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/7/2018 HA 3 PWB</p>
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		SA 2- This amendment adds a 3-year sunset provision to the bill.		
HB 4	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14, 15, 18, 19, 29 AND 31 OF THE DELAWARE CODE TO PROVIDE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT BY CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES; TRANSFERRING SELECTED DIVISIONS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS FROM THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET AND DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES; AMENDING REFERENCES TO	This legislation amends the Delaware Code to establish the Department of Human Resources by transferring various divisions and other organizational units from the Office of Management and Budget to the newly established Department of Human Resources. The powers and duties of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Secretary of the Department of Human Resources are aligned to reflect the transfers of the divisions and other organizational units of the newly established Department of Human Resources. Various sections of the Delaware Code are amended to reflect changes in titles and nomenclature. This bill also establishes Office of Women's Advancement and Advocacy. This bill sets forth that the Office of Women's Advancement and Advocacy will be a unit of the Department of Human Resources. The purpose of this Office is to promote the equality of women in all areas of society. Functions of the Office include fostering and facilitating collaborations between all facets of government and private businesses to eliminate gender-based bias and discriminatory practices, study and report on the status of women in the State, compile and analyze statistics, advise executive and legislative bodies on the effect of proposed legislation, make specific legislative proposals and submit a report to the Governor, Secretary of the Department of Human Resources and the General Assembly at the beginning of every General Assembly of the Office's activities and	Rep. Longhurst	6/6/2017 Introduced in House and Assigned to House Administration Committee 6/14/2017 Reported Out of Committee 6/20/2017 Passed by House 6/20/2017 Assigned to Senate Executive Committee 6/30/2017 Passed the Senate

	<p>SUPERSEDED AGENCIES OR OFFICERS; ALIGNING THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF HUMAN RESOURCES, THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION ON WOMEN BY CREATING THE OFFICE OF WOMEN'S ADVANCEMENT AND ADVOCACY WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES.</p>	<p>recommendations. The bill establishes that the governing body of the Office is the Commission for Women comprised of 9 members. This bill provides that the Office of Women's Advancement and Advocacy oversees the Delaware Women's Hall of Fame Committee and the Delaware Women's Workforce Council. The Delaware Women's Hall of Fame Committee shall have 7 members and the Delaware Women's Workforce Council shall be comprised of 11 members. Delaware Women's Workforce Council shall conduct a study of gender-based inequities in workplaces in Delaware, recommend policies to remove gender-based inequities in the workplace, and develop and publish best practices for employers to achieve gender equality.</p>		
HB 15	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND COMPUTER SCIENCE.</p>	<p>This bill creates a requirement that all public high schools, including charter schools, shall offer at least one computer science course at the high school level by the 2020-2021 school year. Also, this bill creates a requirement that, by the 2018-2019 school year, a computer science course may satisfy one year of the total credit requirement in mathematics, excluding Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II or the equivalent courses. The State Board of Education shall develop guidelines addressing how computer science courses can satisfy graduation requirements.</p>	<p>Rep. Heffernan & Sen. McDowell</p>	<p>4/4/2017 Passed by the House</p> <p>3/29/2017 Passed by the Senate, sent back to the House</p>

		SA 1- This amendment allows a public high school, including a charter school, to request waiver of the requirement that the school offer at least one computer science course if it would be a financial or programmatically burden to the school. The request must be in writing and submitted to the Secretary of Education, who will approve or deny the request.		<p>3/29/2017 SA 1 Passed by the Senate</p> <p>3/15/2017 Reported out of Senate Ed</p> <p>1/24/2017 Passed the House and assigned to Senate Ed</p> <p>1/18/2017 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House</p> <p>1/5/2017- Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p>
HB 17	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.	This bill increases the minimum age of required school attendance from 16 to the age of 17. The minimum age for truancy has also been increased accordingly.	Rep. Dukes & Sen. Sokola	12/15/2017- Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House

<p>HB 23</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.</p>	<p>This Act requires that any student over the age of 16 who wishes to leave school prior to graduation must obtain the written consent of the parent or guardian, and attend an exit interview where information is supplied regarding the likelihood of diminished earning potential and the increased likelihood of unemployment associated with dropping out. The school is also directed to explore whether there are support services, interventions or programs that might assist the student in remaining enrolled. The intent is to lower the dropout rate and encourage students to complete high school</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment clarifies that written consent is only required for students who have not reached the age of majority. It also limits the burden on schools by clarifying that a school must make three attempts to contact and schedule an exit interview with a parent or guardian. If the parent or guardian is unreachable or uncooperative the school has no further obligations under this subsection.</p>	<p>Rep. Matthews & Sen. McDowell</p>	<p>5/18/2017 Signed by the Governor</p> <p>4/5/2017 Passed By Senate</p> <p>3/29/2017 Reported Out of Committee in Senate</p> <p>3/21/2017 Passed By House. Assigned to Senate Ed</p> <p>3/21/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HB 23 - Passed In House by Voice Vote</p> <p>1/25/2017 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House with 11 On Its Merits</p> <p>1/5/2017- Introduced and</p>
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HB 24	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	This bill requires a conference with the parent or guardian of a student who has been absent without excuse for 5 days from school. A needs assessment will be performed to determine what supports or services will help the student and family improve school attendance. Moving the intervention forward to the fifth unexcused absence rather than the 10th may help to improve outcomes for Delaware's students and help prevent students from disengaging from the school community and dropping out of school	Rep. Matthews & Sen. McDowell	1/5/2017- Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HB 25	OPERATING BILL	RECOMMENDED BUDGET BILL	Rep. Schwartzkopf & Sen. McBride	1/12/2017 Introduced in House and Assigned to Appropriations Committee
HB 49	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14 AND 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL SAFETY.	This bill requires all new school construction or major renovation to include the following features: an intruder alarm, bulletproof glass in entrance areas and interior doors and windows, and doors lockable with keys on both sides. Further, the bill would require all new school construction plans to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget's Facilities Management Section for compliance with these requirements as well as with Crime Prevention through Environmental Design principles.	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Poore	3/29/2017 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House 1/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House

<p>HS 1 to HB 49</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14 AND 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL SAFETY.</p>	<p>This Act requires all new school construction and schools undergoing major renovations to incorporate the following safety features: a secured vestibule to be used as the primary entrance to screen visitors, installation of ballistic resistant glass or other ballistic resistant materials in all areas used to screen visitors, installation of a panic button or intruder alert system, and classroom doors that can be locked on the outside with a key or magnetic card locking system. Further, the Act provides that the Office of Management and Budget Facilities Management Section shall coordinate a review of construction plans with the Department of Homeland Security to verify compliance with this Act and evaluate the security and safety of new schools and schools planning major renovations. This Act shall be known as the "Representative Joseph E. Miro School Safety Act." This bill is a substitute for and differs from House Bill 49 by using industry standard terms, requiring the installation of a panic button or intruder alert system, requiring that the Department of Education and Comprehensive School Safety Program annually provide best practices for ballistic and alarm capabilities to school districts and Facilities Management, and ensuring compliance with fire prevention regulations.</p>	<p>Rep. Jaques</p>	<p>3/20/2018 Introduced and adopted in lieu of HB 49</p> <p>3/28/2018 Reported out of House Education</p> <p>3/29/2018 Passed by House</p> <p>4/17/2018 Assigned Senate Education</p> <p>4/25/2018 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/7/2018 Passed by the Senate</p> <p>Signed by the Governor</p>
<p>HB 50</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL NURSES.</p>	<p>This Act seeks to ensure that every public school in the State has a school nurse. This Act provides a mechanism to allow a district or a charter school that currently does not have a school nurse to receive state funds. This Act also permits a district to levy a tax under § 1902(b), Title 14, known as a "match tax", to assist those districts that hire a school nurse as a result of this Act to pay for the local share of that school nurse</p>	<p>Rep. Jaques & Sen. Poore</p>	<p>1/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>3/15/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p>

				3/21/2017 Assigned to Appropriations Committee in Senate
HB 51	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO FEES FOR EDUCATOR LICENSURE.	In 2016, the Legislature provided a reimbursement for teachers employed in Delaware who had to pay the 1-time licensure fee. By using "teacher", we inadvertently excluded specialists including school media specialists, school counselors, school nurses, et cetera. This Bill changes "teacher" to "educator" to include specialists and other educators.	Rep. Williams & Sen. Sokola	5/18/2017 Signed by Governor 4/6/2017 Passed the Senate 4/5/2017 Reported out of Senate Committee 3/28/2017 Assigned to Senate Education 3/23/2017 Passed By House 3/13/2017 Reported Out of Committee 1/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to

				Education Committee in House
HB 55	AN ACT TO AMEND THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	This Act increases the age requirement for compulsory school attendance in Delaware from 16 to 18 years of age. The age increase is phased in over a two-year period; accordingly, there is a one-year interim period where the compulsory school attendance age requirement will be 17 years old. The Act further provides that a child may be exempt from the age requirement for compulsory school attendance if the child has received a high school diploma or a certificate of performance or obtains permission to withdraw from school from the superintendent of the district in which the child is enrolled or from the president of the board of the charter school in which the child is enrolled. To obtain a waiver from the date of enactment of this Act until August 31, 2018, a child must be at least 16 years old. To obtain a waiver on or after September 1, 2018, a child must be at least 17 years old. The Act preserves the exemption under which a child may be excused from compulsory attendance upon request of the child's parent or legal guardian coupled with supporting written documentation from a qualified health professional.	Rep. Heffernan & Sen. McDowell	5/11/2017 Assigned to House Appropriations 4/26/2017 Reported out of Committee 1/25/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HB 60	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATION ASSESSMENT.	This bill creates the right for the parent or guardian of a child to opt out of the annual assessment, currently the Smarter Balanced Assessment System	Rep. Kowalko & Sen. Lawson	1/26/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House

HB 67	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL PROPERTY AND HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS.	As a public school safety measure, this bill requires that any door to a classroom will be equipped with a lock that can be locked from either side of the door. Many doors are currently not capable of locking from the inside. Locking the door(s) to a classroom from inside the classroom would enable precluding a school intruder from entering that classroom. The Act permits schools 5 years from the date of enactment to bring existing structures into compliance with this requirement. New construction and major renovations must comply with the requirement immediately upon enactment.	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Sokola	<p>4/5/2017 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House</p> <p>3/9/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>6/21/2018 Stricken</p>
HB 70	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.	Under current educational standards, students are no longer required to be taught cursive writing and many schools have abandoned teaching cursive writing to students. As cursive writing is still an imperative skill in many professions, this bill makes teaching cursive writing a requirement for all public schools in Delaware	Rep. Bennett & Sen. Henry	<p>6/21/2017 Passed by Senate</p> <p>6/18/2017 Passed by House</p> <p>4/5/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>3/9/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p>

HB 85	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.	This bill eliminates preferences for students living within a 5-mile radius of a charter school. This change was supported by a majority vote of the Enrollment Preferences Task Force established by House Bill 90 of the 147th General Assembly. The Act will take effect for the 2018-2019 school year, and any charter schools currently using the 5-mile preference must cease application of that preference at that time. This Act will allow a school to exercise a preference for students located in that portion of a district which is geographically contiguous with the location of the school.	Rep. Williams & Sen. Sokola	Lieu/Substituted 3/28/17 3/21/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HS 1 to HB 85	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS	<p>This bill eliminates the use of an enrollment preference for students living within a 5-mile radius of a charter school. This change was supported by a majority vote of the Enrollment Preferences Task Force established by House Bill No. 90 of the 147th General Assembly. The Act will take effect immediately. For any charter school using the 5-mile preference at the time of enactment, the school is required to eliminate the preference through notification to the authorizer prior to the 2018-2019 school year. The bill allows a new preference for students located in the portion of the regular school district that is geographically contiguous with the location of the charter school.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment removes the language that would allow a charter school to provide a preference only for students living in that portion of a non-contiguous school district where the charter school is located.</p> <p>SA 1 - This amendment removes the language that would allow a charter school to provide a preference only for students living in that portion of a non-contiguous school district where the charter school is located.</p>	Rep. Williams & Sen. Sokola	<p>4/5/2017 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House</p> <p>3/28/2017 Adopted in lieu of the original bill HB 85, and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>5/18/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HS 1 - Defeated By House.</p> <p>5/18/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HS 1 -</p>

				<p>Defeated By House.</p> <p>6/7/2017 Reported out of Senate Education Committee</p> <p>6/22/2017 Amendment SA 1 to HS 1 - Defeated By Senate</p> <p>6/22/2017 Passed by Senate</p>
HB 88	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SALARIES FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS.	<p>This Act allows for juniors and seniors majoring in education at a Delaware college or university to be paid \$83 per day as substitute teachers, the same rate paid to those who hold a bachelor's degree but not a teaching license. This will encourage education students to gain some field experience, while also incentivizing a larger pool of potential substitute teachers to address a growing difficulty in finding qualified, reliable substitute teachers for our schools</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment allows qualifying students enrolled in an accredited institution of higher education in Delaware or other jurisdictions to be substitute teachers.</p>	Rep. Mathews & Sen. Townsend	<p>6/30/2017 Passed by House</p> <p>5/3/2017 HA 1 Placed with bill</p> <p>4/26/2017 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>3/23/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education</p>

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HB 98	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION</p>	<p>This Act establishes the ability to grant a waiver for participation in interscholastic sports when a child exercises the right for choice from one school to another school of choice provided the standards for the waiver are met. In addition, this Act takes into consideration a new charter school or newly added grades to a charter school.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment corrects a typographical error</p>	<p>Rep. Jaques & Sen. Simpson</p>	<p>6/14/2017 Passed by Senate</p> <p>5/16/2017 Passed by House</p> <p>5/3/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HB 98 - Introduced and Placed With Bill</p> <p>4/26/2017 Out of Committee</p> <p>3/28/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p>

<p>HB 99</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14 AND 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ADMINISTRATION OF SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX CREDITS.</p>	<p>This bill would require that a resident 65 years of age or older claiming a tax credit against school taxes must be a resident of the state for at least 10 years before qualifying for such credit. The current requirement is only for 3-year residency. This bill makes a conforming change in the Code provision governing reimbursements from the General Fund. It also eliminates language related to 2001 taxes, which is no longer relevant. This change will be effective for tax and fiscal years after January 1, 2017. Those residents who would have become eligible over the last three years under the prior version of the statute will remain eligible.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment retains the 3-year residency requirement for eligibility for anyone moving into the State before December 31, 2017. Anyone establishing residency after that date must be a resident for 10 years rather than 3 before becoming eligible. The amendment also corrects a typo in the original bill.</p>	<p>Rep. Williams & Sen. Walsh</p>	<p>6/6/2017 Passed by Senate</p> <p>4/27/2017 Passed By House.</p> <p>4/27/2017 Amendment filed</p> <p>4/26/2017 Reported Out of Committee in House with 5 On Its Merits</p> <p>4/6/2017 ReAssigned to House Administration Committee in Senate</p> <p>3/30/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p>
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HB 109	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PERSONAL INCOME TAX	<p>This bill lowers the current tax rate by .05% for each bracket. The bill creates a new tax bracket at \$125,000 with a rate of 7.05% and an additional bracket at \$250,000 with a rate of 7.80%. The bill also provides a tiered reduction of the otherwise available itemized deduction based upon the individual's taxable income.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment makes certain a tax increase is not effective in the current tax year, thereby complying with Article VIII, Section 9, of the Delaware Constitution.</p>	Rep. Kowalko & Sen. Henry	<p>4/5/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>3/30/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee in House</p>
HB 133	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS.	<p>This bill would create an end date for the special filing deadline created by school board vacancies that arise after the second Friday in February. The new end date for these vacancies would be the first Friday in March. Any vacancies that arise after the first Friday in March would be filled by the remaining members on the School Board for the remainder of the fiscal year.</p>	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Poore	<p>7/1/2017 Passed by Senate</p> <p>6/29/2017 Passed by House</p> <p>4/13/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p>
HB 134	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS OF THE YEAR.	<p>This Act establishes an Educational Support Professional of the year award program throughout the State. Through this legislation, the state will formally honor and recognize the work educational support professionals, such as paraprofessionals, food service workers, custodians, and secretaries do to enhance school communities in Delaware</p>	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Sokola	<p>4/13/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>5/10/2017</p>

				<p>Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>1/11/2018 Passed by House</p> <p>1/24/2018 Reported Out of Senate Education Committee</p> <p>3/6/2018 Passed by Senate</p> <p>4/24/2018 Signed by Governor</p>
HB 142	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OF SECLUSION AND RESTRAINT.	This Act will improve guidelines for training by school districts and charters as it pertains to School Resource Officers (SRO), their duties and training when interacting with students with disabilities. The limitations and prohibitions described in this section are in addition to, and not in derogation of, any other constitutional, statutory, or regulatory rights otherwise conferred by federal or state law or regulation.	Rep. Williams & Sen. Poore	<p>4/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>5/17/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>6/15/2017 Passed by House</p>

				<p>6/13/2017 Assigned to House Education Committee</p> <p>6/21/2017 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/30/2017 Passed by Senate</p>
HB 143	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATOR LICENSURE	<p>This bill removes a performance assessment requirement for new educators that is limiting Delaware schools' ability to recruit new educators from other jurisdictions that do not have this requirement. Approximately 45% of teachers hired annually by Delaware's School Districts graduate from out-of-state pre-service teaching programs as Delaware Colleges and Universities do not supply enough teachers to meet Delaware's demand. Delaware's requirement of passing a performance assessment for licensure places a burden on the recruitment process as most first year teacher out-of-state hires are recruited from states that do not have this requirement. Currently only 16 of the 50 states have a performance assessment policy in place. The largest percentage of Delaware's out-of-state new teacher hires come from PA, MD, and VA, all states that do not have a performance assessment requirement for licensure. The result for these new teachers is having to be placed on a provisional license in order to complete the performance assessment tasks as they are working to meet the heavy demands for first year teaching and transitioning to a new state. For new teachers making job selection decisions, Delaware's</p>	Rep. Williams & Sen. Sokola	<p>4/25/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p>

		performance assessment requirement can be viewed as cumbersome and serve as a deterrent to possible applicants.		
HS 1 to HB 143	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATOR LICENSURE	<p>This Act removes the provisional license and re-establishes a 3 tiered licensure system. An initial license provides for two years for the initial licensee to obtain a passing score on an approved performance assessment. This Act provides for reciprocity for a state-created and approved performance assessment from another state or jurisdiction to meet the performance assessment requirement. This Act also eliminates the general knowledge exam for licensure which will result in a savings to the candidate of a range of \$100 to \$150. Additionally, this Act provides for a reimbursement of no less than \$100 to a license holder who meets the performance assessment requirement and becomes employed in a Delaware public school. The Department will be responsible for training local district and school staff on the performance assessment. Additionally, the Department of Education leadership, including the Secretary of Education will be trained on the performance assessment. For enactment, any individual provided an initial license prior to the enactment date will not be subject to the requirement of obtaining a passing score on a performance assessment. Additionally, any individual provided a provisional license prior to the enactment date will be reissued an initial license and the 2 year requirement for meeting the performance assessment will become effective commencing on the new issue date. The remainder of the bill makes conforming changes to cross-references and license designations.</p> <p>HA 1 to HS 1 to HB 143 This amendment clarifies implementation of this Act to ensure those educators already on an initial license with multiple years to pass a general knowledge exam, such as School Nurses and Skilled and Technical Science Instructors, are no longer obligated to meet the requirement of passing a general</p>	Rep. K Williams & Sen. Sokola	<p>5/17/2017 Adopted in lieu of the original bill HB 143, and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>5/17/2017 Released from House Education Committee</p> <p>6/1/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HS 1 - Introduced and Placed With Bill</p> <p>6/8/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HS 1 - Passed In House by Voice Vote</p> <p>6/8/2017 Passed By House</p>

		<p>knowledge exam and also clarifies that those educators currently on an initial license are not required to pass an approved performance assessment for movement to a continuing license.</p>		<p>6/14/2017 Released from Senate Education Committee</p> <p>6/15/2017 Passed by Senate</p> <p>6/21/2017 Signed by Governor</p>
HB 148	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO COLLEGE SAVINGS AND "ABLE" SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.</p>	<p>This bill would allow Delaware residents two new deductions from personal income tax. The first is a deduction from taxable income of up to \$2,500 for contributions to a "529" College Savings Plan. The second is a deduction from taxable income of up to \$2,500 for contributions to a "529A" Savings Account – a special account for meeting the needs of certain individuals with disabilities. Under this Act, a Delaware resident taxpayer would be eligible for the deduction regardless of whether they made a contribution to a 529 or 529A plan sponsored by the State of Delaware or another state or institution, so long as the plans met federal criterion.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment limits the deduction for contributions to 529 "College Savings Plans" to individuals and couples with federal adjusted gross income of less \$125,000 or \$250,000 respectively. This amendment also clarifies that the amount deducted for qualified contributions to a 529 College Savings Plan may not exceed a total of \$2,500 for an individual or couple.</p> <p>HA -2 This amendment eliminates the deduction for 529 College Savings Plans, and limits the deduction for 529A "ABLE" plans to individuals and couples with a federal adjusted gross income of less than \$125,000 or \$250,000 respectively.</p>	Rep. Paradee	<p>6/17/2017 Assigned to Appropriations Committee in House</p>

HB 149	AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE COMPLETE YOUR DEGREE GRANT PROGRAM.	This Act creates the Complete Your Degree Grant Program. Under this program, state funds may be provided to help eligible students who have completed at least 30 credit hours return to school and complete an associate degree.	Rep. Bentz & Sen. McDowell	5/5/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HB 213	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO LOCAL SCHOOL TAXES	This bill creates a mechanism by which school boards may increase funds for a school district without a referendum.	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Sokola	6/6/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HB 218	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE INTERAGENCY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.	This Act removes the ability of members of the Interagency Resource Management Committee to appoint designees to serve in their stead.	Rep. K. Williams & Sen. Poore	6/8/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House 6/21/2017 Reported out of Committee
HB 229	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATED TO UNUSED SICK LEAVE UPON SEPARATION OF SERVICE	This bill concerns sick leave payout for retired State Troopers who became reemployed in public education. Specifically, this bill adds language to the code that would treat retired State Troopers the same as other educational employees as it relates to sick leave payment upon separation from educational employment. HA 1- This amendment will cap the total number of days a State Police Officer can receive compensation for unused sick days at 90 days, whether claimed in full following retirement from DSP or in combination with a second state job.	Rep. Jaques	6/13/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House 6/21/2017 Reported Out of Committee 6/28/2017

		SA 1- This amendment replaces House Amendment No. 1, and will cap the total number of days a State Police Officer can receive compensation for unused sick days at 75 days, whether claimed in full following retirement from DSP or in combination with a second state job.		Passed the House
HB 230	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO STATE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS FOR VETERANS WHO SERVED DURING IDENTIFIED PERIOD OF WAR OR CONFLICT.	This bill expands the population of war veterans who are eligible to be awarded a high school diploma.	Rep. Jaques	6/13/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House 6/21/2017 Reported Out Education 6/27/2017 Passed the House 7/1/2017 Passed the Senate
HB 240	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO TAXES ON PERSONAL INCOME.	Sections 1 and 7 of this Act update from \$400 to \$800 the threshold which triggers the penalty for insufficient payment of estimated tax. The current threshold has been in place since 2000. Because it has not been modified in almost 20-years, the penalties generated as a result of this low threshold are often trivial amounts, which frustrate taxpayers. However, despite the penalties' low dollar amounts, they still require significant resources to administer and resolve. Sections 1and 7 also provide for an inflation adjustment for the threshold ensuring that it will	Rep. Longhurst & Sen. McBride	6/15/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee in House 6/21/2017

		<p>automatically keep pace with future economic trends. Section 2 of this Act increases tax rates in all existing brackets by 0.15 to 0.4 percentage points and creates a new bracket of 6.95% at \$150,000. Section 3 of this Act raises the eligibility age from 60 to 65 in one-year increments over a five-year period for the \$12,500 exclusion from income of pensions and other retirement income. Section 4 of this Act eliminates itemized deductions and increases the standard deduction amount from \$3,250 to \$5,000 for single and married taxpayers filing separately and from \$6,500 to \$10,000 for taxpayers filing joint returns. In addition, Section 4 reduces from \$110 to \$85 the amount of the personal credit. Lastly, Section 4 raises the eligibility age from 60 to 65 in one-year increments over a five-year period for the extra, age-based personal credit. Sections 5 and 6 of this Act update cross references.</p> <p>HA 5- This amendment eliminates the tax rate increases for all existing brackets below \$60,000, while allowing taxpayers to elect to deduct the greater of the current standard deduction or 50% of their itemized deductions. Additionally, this amendment increases the tax rate to 7.1% in the bracket over \$150,000.</p>		<p>Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>7/1/2017 Failed the House</p>
HB 241	AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 5, TITLE 4 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO TAXES ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.	This Act increases the State's alcoholic beverage tax rates. The rate for beer increases by 2¢ per 12 ounce can. The rate for wine increases by approximately 3¢ per 5 ounce serving. The rate for spirits containing more than 25% ethyl alcohol by volume increases by 15¢ per 750 ml bottle.	Rep. Schwartzkopf	<p>6/15/2017</p> <p>Introduced and Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee in House</p> <p>6/21/2017</p>

				<p>Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>7/2/2017 Passed the House</p> <p>7/2/2017 Passed the Senate</p> <p>7/2/2017 Signed by the Governor</p>
HB 242	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO TOBACCO PRODUCT, INCLUDING VAPOR PRODUCT, TAXATION AND LICENSING.	Vapor products, commonly known as e-cigarettes or vape products, are increasing in popularity. This Act adds a definition of vapor products to Chapter 53, Title 30 (regarding Tobacco Product Tax), includes vapor products as a type of tobacco product, and makes other amendments to the Chapter to require those who deal in vapor products to obtain licenses just like those who deal in traditional tobacco products and to impose a tax on vapor products. This Act also increases the tax on tobacco products. Specifically, this Act does the following related to tobacco product and vapor product taxes: (1) Increases the tax on cigarettes from \$1.60 to \$2.10 per 20 cigarette pack. (2) Increases the tax on all tobacco products other than vapor products, moist snuff, and cigarettes from 15% of the wholesale price to 30% of the wholesale price. (3) Imposes a tax of 5 cents per fluid millimeter of vapor product. (4) Increases the tax on moist snuff from 54 cents per ounce to 92 cents per ounce. This Act also increases the fees charged for retail tobacco product licenses and tobacco product vending machine licenses. These license fees were originally established in 1964. The retail license fee was last increased in	Rep. Schwartzkopf & Sen. McBride	<p>6/15/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee in House</p> <p>6/21/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>7/2/2017 Passed the House</p> <p>7/2/2017 Passed the Senate</p>

		<p>1969. The vending machine license fee was last increased in 1976. The licensing fees adopted by this Act are similar to, or less than, the fees charged by other states in the region. By including vapor products in the definition of tobacco products, vapor product wholesalers, retailers, and vending machine operators must pay license fees at the same rates as for traditional tobacco products. Section 28 establishes when the Sections of this Act take effect and how increases in existing taxes are to be handled. Finally, this Act makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.</p>		<p>7/2/2017 Signed by the Governor</p>
HB 253	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ENROLLMENT FOR THE SUSSEX COUNTY VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT.</p>	<p>This Act extends the enrollment reduction requirements and clarifies that enrollment shall not exceed 1,250 students as of the 2017-2018 school year and each school year thereafter.</p>	<p>Rep. Briggs King</p>	<p>6/21/2017 Introduced and Assigned to House Education Committee</p>
HB 254	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO METHOD OF PAYMENT OF STATE OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.</p>	<p>This bill changes the calculation of biweekly pay for State officials and employees to compensate for the 27th pay period that occurs approximately every 11 years. This calculation is used by the Federal government to fairly spread the impact of the 27th pay over all pay periods. The last leap year resulted in an additional 58 million dollar cost.</p>	<p>Rep. Briggs King & Sen. Pettyjohn</p>	<p>6/21/2017 Introduced and Assigned to House Administration Committee in House</p>
HB 255	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14 AND 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE</p>	<p>This Act establishes the ability of state and school district employees to use the “donated leave” program to donate and accept annual leave and sick time for use by employees in connection with the birth or adoption of a child under the age of 6</p>	<p>Rep. Heffernan &</p>	<p>6/22/2017 Assigned to House</p>

	RELATING TO DONATED LEAVE.	<p>years. An employee becomes eligible to receive such leave upon the birth of a child to the employee or employee's spouse or upon adoption of a child younger than 6. Such an employee remains eligible for 6 months after such birth or adoption. The recipient may also use donated leave for a period of 1 year following the birth or adoption for absence related to maternal or pediatric medical appointments. Provided, however, that a recipient of donated leave must first use all of his or her accrued sick time and half of his or her annual leave. Where the recipient does not accrue annual leave, the recipient must have used all but 3 of that employee's sick days prior to utilizing donated leave. All other established terms and conditions for donated leave remain the same.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment provides a cap of 12 total weeks of donated leave that any one recipient may draw. It also provides that a qualified recipient may use donated leave to cover subsequent absence for up to one year for maternal or pediatric medical care requiring hospitalization or extended care at home. This amendment also provides that the Act will not take effect until OMB has sought and received a ruling from the IRS stating that tax treatment of this expansion of the donated leave program will not be different from the existing program.</p>	Sen. McDowell	<p>Administration Committee</p> <p>6/22/2017 Voted out of House Administration</p> <p>6/27/2017 Passed by House</p> <p>7/1/2017 Passed by Senate</p>
Hb 258	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO DONATED LEAVE	<p>This bill allows for the donation of either sick leave or annual leave without having to do so in equal amounts. Additionally, a person can donate sick leave or annual leave but does not have to donate both.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment revises the calculation of the amounts of sick leave and annual leave an employee or officer of the State can donate. This amendment also provides that the provisions of the</p>	Rep. Mitchell	<p>6/22/2017 Introduced to House Administration Committee</p> <p>6/29/2017</p>

		Act shall become effective ninety days subsequent to its enactment.		Passed by House 7/1/2017 Passed by Senate
HB 261	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO DELAWARE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	The Delaware Advisory Council on Career and Technical Education received \$331,700 out of the Delaware General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Based upon a simple cost benefit analysis weighed against the budget issues Delaware is facing, it is clear these funds would produce greater benefits if utilized elsewhere. This bill will eliminate this annual expenditure by terminating this Committee via a total repeal of Chapter 86 of Title 14 of the Delaware Code.	Rep. Ruth Briggs King & Sen. Hocker	6/23/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HB 266	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 22 AND 9 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ENTERPRISE ZONES.	This act allows Sussex County government to create Enterprise Zones within the unincorporated areas of Sussex County. The act also allows any municipality, a portion of which is located in Sussex County, to create Enterprise Zones	Rep. Gray	6/29/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Housing & Community Affairs Committee in House
HB 268	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14, TITLE 29, AND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SENIOR PROPERTY TAX.	This bill converts the senior property tax credit from a credit against the school taxes imposed and collected at the county level to a means-tested refundable income tax credit to be administered by the Department of Finance, Division of Revenue. For eligible seniors who do not file a personal income tax because their income falls below the threshold set by the Code, the Division will issue a rebate in the amount for which that person is eligible. The Division is authorized to promulgate whatever forms or rules are necessary to administer this section. The tax credit will become effective as early as tax year 2019 upon certification by the Secretary of Finance that systems are in place for the Division of Revenue to administer the credit.	Rep. K. Williams	7/12/2017 Assigned to Finance Committee in Senate

HB 269	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS, VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS, CHARTER SCHOOLS AND THE SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAM.	Since 1996, students across Delaware have participated in school choice. Currently, reorganized school districts, vocational technical school districts, and charter schools do not follow the same processes thus causing confusion and barriers for families seeking to access choice for their children. This Act aims to streamline the school choice process, making it easier and clearer for parents, guardians, and school administrators to navigate. This Act requires reorganized school districts, vocational-technical school districts, and charter schools to use a standard online application receipt and processing tool approved by the Department that is offered at no charge. It also clarifies that the application deadlines apply to all students, regardless of age or school. Additionally, it will prohibit schools from asking for additional information that does not directly pertain to an enrollment or program criterion. The bill will make the timing uniform for the ranked waitlist process. It aligns the sibling preference across all school types and eliminates the separate charter school April 1st enrollment requirement of 80% and moving to May 1st to allow for parents to make a final, informed decision. Under this bill, in the event of a mid-year termination of a pupil's enrollment, the sending reorganized school district, vocational-technical school district, or charter school and the receiving reorganized school district, vocational-technical school district, or charter school shall enter into an agreement providing for the pro-ration of student funding based on a formula prescribed by the DDOE.	Rep. Williams	6/30/2017 Introduced to House Education
HS 1 to HB 275	Budget Bill	Budget Bill	Rep. Smith and Sen. McDowell	7/2/2017 Passed the House 7/3/2017 Passed the Senate

HB 278	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL BOARDS.	<p>This Act changes the term of a school board member from 5 years to 4 years. While longer board member terms enable school board members to have more years as experienced board members, this must be weighed against the goal of providing the community with sufficient opportunities to run for school boards, and to replace school board members. In addition, shorter board member terms can increase the number of candidates who run for office, as a longer term can prevent some individuals from choosing to run for this office.</p> <p>HA 1 This Amendment changes the applicability of this Act from elections held on or after January 1, 2018, to elections held 90 days or more after the enactment of this Act.</p>	Rep. Baumbach	<p>12/14/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>1/17/2018 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>1/24/2018 Amendment HA 1 to HB 278</p>
HB 279	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO REALTY TRANSFER TAX.	This Act increases by 1% the rate of realty transfer tax to be received by the State.	Rep. Schwartzkopf	7/2/2017 Passed by House and Senate
HB 280	AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN GRANTS-IN-AID FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018; SPECIFYING CERTAIN PROCEDURES, CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS AND AMENDING TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE	This Act provides supplementary appropriations to certain Grants-in-Aid for Fiscal Year 2018. Section 1 – Government Units and Senior Center \$18,582,949 Section 2 – One-Times and Community Agencies \$12,886,495 Section 3 – Fire Companies \$4,711,925 Section 4 – Veterans Organizations \$244,230 GRAND TOTAL \$36,425,599 This Act also amends Title 30 of the Delaware Code relating to taxes on personal income.	Rep. Smith	<p>6/29/2017 Introduced</p> <p>6/29/2017 Defeated in House</p>

	CODE RELATING TO TAXES ON PERSONAL INCOME.			
HB 282	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO FUNDING FOR ENRICHMENT AT HIGH POVERTY SCHOOLS.	In order to support enrichment activities such as field trips for students at high-poverty schools, this bill would require the State to provide \$25 per student to high poverty schools to be used for the purpose of educational and enrichment field trips	Rep. Matthews	12/14/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House 3/14/2018 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House
HB 283	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE.	In the 149th General Assembly House Bill No. 64 amended Title 29, Section 5120 to insure that mothers who are full time state employees may have up to 6 weeks of unpaid leave following the newborn(s) discharge from the hospital even if their FMLA benefits have been exhausted. This bill clarifies that school district employees are entitled to the same unpaid leave. HA 1- This amendment removes an unnecessary clause from the bill. The Merit Employee Relations Board of State Personnel Office is not applicable to school district employees.	Rep. Briggs King	1/4/2018 Introduced and assigned to House Education
HB 385				
HB 286	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATOR LICENSURE.	Enactment of the Every Student Succeeds Act amended the Individuals with Disability Education Act ("IDEA") by mandating that special education teachers must have obtained full certification and may not be working under emergency certifications. The Delaware Department of Education must stop issuing emergency certifications in special education in order for for the State to continue receiving \$36 million in federal IDEA funding for our schools. This Act creates a mechanism that is in compliance with federal requirements to enable educators to obtain a certificate of	Rep. Kim Williams	1/29/2018 Signed by the Governor

		<p>eligibility in the areas of special education. Educators will be able to meet federal requirements while being enrolled in an approved, alternative routes to certification program. This Act will allow local education agencies to staff special education classrooms while ensuring the educators are receiving high quality training working toward their standard certificate in the appropriate area of special education. This Act also makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.</p>		
HB 287	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO STATE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS.</p>	<p>This Act replaces the term "Certificate of Performance" with "State of Delaware High School Diploma of Modified Performance Standards." Doing so provides the opportunity for schools to award students who meet the requirements of their Individualized Education Plans ("IEP") a high school diploma which recognizes the accomplishment of having attained a level of performance that is modified from the State graduation requirements but aligned with their established goals and performance outcomes. This high school diploma will be awarded on the same criteria for which some students with special needs are currently issued a Certificate of Performance. Issuing a Certificate of Performance instead of awarding a diploma has had a negative impact on students' employment and education opportunities. Under this Act, a student who successfully completes the requirements of his or her IEP will receive a high school diploma, thereby having access to greater career and education opportunities. This Act also makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.</p>	<p>Rep. Kim Williams</p>	<p>1/4/2018 Introduced and assigned to House Education</p>
HS 1 to HB 287	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO STATE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS.</p>	<p>This Substitute Bill makes the following changes to House Bill No. 287: 1. It changes the name of the new diploma to a "Diploma of Alternate Achievement Standards" instead of a "Diploma of Modified Performance Standards." 2. It adds a requirement that a student must be eligible to take a statewide alternate assessment to receive the new diploma. 3. The Act takes effect in the academic year after enactment.</p>	<p>Rep.K. Williams & Sen. Poore</p>	<p>3/6/2018 Adopted in lieu of the original bill HB 287, and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p>

		<p>HA 1 to HS 1 to HB 287-</p> <p>This Amendment removes the requirement that a student must be eligible to take a statewide alternate assessment to receive the new diploma. The reason is the requirement actually limited the number of students who would receive the new diploma which was not the intention.</p>		<p>3/14/2018 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>3/20/2018 Passed House & Assigned to Senate Education Committee</p>
HB 292	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER.</p>	<p>This Act implements the recommendations of the March 2105 Autism Educational Task Force report regarding § 1332 of Title 14, the Program for Children with Autism and its Special Staff. Enacted nearly three decades ago, this law established a network of educational programs initially within a separate school structure known as The Delaware Autism Program (DAP). Today, this network continues as a combination of both separate school programs and within local school district support services. However, the current model does not reflect current practices in special education, especially regarding inclusive education, and parents' desire to have their children educated in their local communities. In addition, the increase in students with an educational classification of autism spectrum disorder ("ASD") has made it difficult for the Statewide Director to provide the level of services and support that once was offered. This Act establishes the qualifications and duties of the Statewide Director and enhances the current mandatory committee structure to include a Parent Advisory Committee, in addition to the Peer Review Committee and Statewide Monitoring Review Board, to increase family input, monitoring, and protections. This Act creates a 3 year pilot program that revises the concept of DAP toward a system in which the statewide Director will work in collaboration with a team of experts to provide technical assistance and training to districts and educational entities. It allows for and provides adequate resources for all students with ASD in Delaware by eliminating the distinction between DAP-approved programs and other in-district options and by providing in-state experts at a lower cost than out-of-state residential treatment and consultants. The pilot program created under this Act makes changes that recognize</p>	Rep. Jaques	<p>Jun 21, 2018 - Passed By Senate.</p> <p>Jun 13, 2018 - Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>Jun 13, 2018 - Assigned to Education Committee in Senate</p> <p>Jun 12, 2018 - Passed By House.</p> <p>Jun 6, 2018 - Reported Out of Committee (Appropriations)</p> <p>Mar 27, 2018 - Assigned to Appropriations</p>

		<p>and support the need for specialized technical assistance and training staff to be available to build capacity for teachers in all districts and other programs educating students with ASD. These changes expand available supports so that excellent, evidence-based training and technical assistance can be made available to all Delaware schools and the students who attend them. The pilot program created under this Act establishes a technical assistance team of educational autism specialists numbering a ratio of 1 for every 100 students (currently estimated at 15 positions). The fiscal mechanism to support the pilot program will be accomplished through mandated district participation that is consistent with the current needs-based funding system in Delaware and by redirecting state spending towards lower cost, community-based supports from out-of-state residential placements. The number of training specialists will be phased in over several years or until the pilot program ends. Finally, this Act is known as "The Alex Eldreth Autism Education Law" in memory Alex Eldreth, who passed away unexpectedly on November 24, 2017, and his dedication to this work.</p>		<p>Committee in House</p> <p>1/4/2018 Introduced and assigned to House Education</p> <p>3/14/2018 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House</p>
HB 293	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PREVAILING WAGE.	<p>This Act replaces the prevailing wage survey method of setting the prevailing wage with a method based on payroll information currently being provided to the Department of Labor. Also, this Act removes the prevailing wage lock-in authorized by House Substitute No. 1 for House Bill No. 145 (148th General Assembly). This Act also removes the Prevailing Wage Advisory Committee ("Committee") from the Delaware Code. The Committee was established to advise the General Assembly how the prevailing wage survey may be improved or if the survey should be eliminated. The Committee reported in January 2016 that "the best option is to continue the survey for 2016 and report back to the legislature in the future." Because this Act replaces the prevailing wage survey, the Committee is no longer needed. Finally, this Act takes effect on January 1, 2019.</p>	Rep. Briggs King	1/9/2018 Introduced and Assigned to House Administration Committee in House
HB 296	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE	<p>This bill creates a tax deduction of up to \$2,500 for an individual or \$5,000 for a married couple for contributions to a qualified 529A savings account, or "ABLE" plan - a special account for meeting the</p>	Rep. Paradee	1/6/2018 Introduced and Assigned to

	RELATING TO ABLE SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.	needs of certain individuals with disabilities. The deduction may only be claimed by a taxpayer who makes less than \$125,000 or a married couple who makes less than \$250,000. It is applicable only to ABLE plans sponsored by the State of Delaware or offered by a consortium of states of which Delaware is a member.		Revenue & Finance Committee in House
HB 314	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 19 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS ACT.	This Act provides for a clear and established procedure and time frame during which public employees may revoke their membership in an employee organization. This Act allows public employers and employee organizations to manage membership status and authorizations in a manner that will meet public employee's desires while not disrupting the public employer's or employee organization's operations. This Act also makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual	Rep. Mulrooney	3/1/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Labor Committee in House 3/14/2018 Reported Out of Committee (Labor)
HB 315	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 15 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ELECTIONS AND CANDIDATE DISCLOSURES.	This Bill requires all statewide and other candidates that may appear on the general election ballot to disclose whether or not all their State and Federal personal income tax returns are filed and any tax due has been paid and whether or not all their real property taxes have been paid.	Rep. Hudson	3/1/2018 Introduced and Assigned to House Administration Committee in House
HB 325	REC BOND BILL	RECOMMENDED BOND BILL	Rep. Schwartzkopf	1/25/2018
HB 326	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE ADVANCE	This Act creates the Delaware Advance Scholarship Program ("Program"). The goal of this Act is to encourage Delaware students with intellectual disabilities to pursue studies for a comprehensive certificate or degree at a Delaware institution of higher education in order to promote economic self-sufficiency. This will result in an economic benefit to the State in the form of a more diverse, well-prepared workforce that is less reliant on government support. This	Rep. Williams	3/1/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House

	SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.	<p>Act follows the Higher Education Opportunities Act of 2008, which authorizes comprehensive transition and post-secondary programs as a pathway to higher education for students with intellectual disabilities. The Program will be effective beginning in the 2018 through 2019 academic year.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment makes a technical change to delete redundant language.</p> <p>HA 2- This Amendment clarifies the meaning of "tuition" for purposes of the Act.</p>		<p>4/26/2018 Passed the House</p> <p>4/29/2018 Assigned to Senate Education</p> <p>5/9/2018 Passed out of Committee</p> <p>6/13/2018 Passed by the Senate</p>
HB 335	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ESTABLISHING A SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY FUND.	<p>This Act establishes the Delaware School Safety and Security Fund to allow eligible public schools to compete for grant awards to partially or fully fund projects intended to improve school safety or security. The Department of Education shall administer the competitive grant program. This Act further requires all funding to be awarded by a five-member committee consisting of representatives from the Department of Education, Department of Safety and Homeland Security, the Office of Management and Budget, the Governor's office, and the Delaware Association of School Administrators. Said committee shall meet no later than thirty days after the effective date of this Act to develop rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this Section. Awards granted under this Section shall be limited to a maximum of \$50,000 per school, with priority given to applications addressing a current unresolved safety or security issue, or an issue which would significantly improve the safety and security of the public school relative to the size of the investment.</p>	Rep. D. Short	<p>3/13/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>4/18/2018 Reported out of Committee</p>
HS 1 to HB 335	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE	<p>This Act establishes the Delaware School Safety and Security Fund to allow certain eligible public schools to partially or fully fund projects intended to improve school facilities and training relating to</p>	Rep. D. Short	<p>6/14/2018 Adopted in lieu of HB 335</p>

	RELATING TO ESTABLISHING A SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY FUND.	<p>safety or security. The Department of Education shall administer the fund. This Act is effective upon appropriation.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment establishes the Delaware School Safety and Security Fund to allow school districts, vocational technical schools, or charter schools (LEAs) to request funding to partially or fully fund projects intended to improve school facilities and training relating to safety or security. The Department of Education shall administer the fund. This Act is effective upon appropriation.</p>		<p>6/21/2018 HA 1 placed with bill</p> <p>6/21/2018 Passed by House</p>
HB 336	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SILENT ALARM SYSTEMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.	<p>This Act requires each public school district to equip the schools within their respective jurisdictions with an adequate number of panic buttons that may be used to immediately alert local law enforcement authorities of a security threat at a school. Once activated, the required silent alarm system will immediately alert authorities without simultaneously activating an audible alarm within the school building.</p> <p>HA 1 This amendment clarifies that this section applies to every public school and charter school and that the silent alarm system must be approved by the local board of education which has the responsibility to see that the requirements are complied with. Additionally, the silent alarm system may be activated by mobile phone.</p> <p>HA 2 This amendment clarifies that this section applies to every public school and charter school and that the silent alarm system must be approved by the local board of education which has the responsibility to see that the requirements are complied with. Additionally, the silent alarm system may be activated by a phone application based system that integrates with the state's supplemental 9-1-1 database and allows authorized users to simultaneously place a voice call to 9-1-1 while also providing notifications via text, email, and push notifications to school staff,</p>	Rep. Miro	<p>3/13/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>4/17/2018 HA 1 & HA 2 Placed with Bill</p> <p>4/18/2018 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>6/21/2018 Stricken</p>

		school resource officers, 9-1-1, local law enforcement, and emergency personnel.		
HB 338	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN.	This Act increases the eligibility for a child with a disability to be eligible for free appropriate public education from the end of the school year in which the child attains the age of 21 to the end of the school year in which the child attains the age of 22. This Act also makes a technical correction to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.	Rep. Heffernan	3/15/2018 Introduced and Assigned to House Education
HB 341	AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II OF THE DELAWARE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE AND VOTING ON THE BUDGET APPROPRIATION ACT, BOND AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACT, AND ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN GRANTS-IN-AID.	This Act is the first leg of a constitutional amendment that requires the General Assembly to wait 48 hours from the introduction of the budget appropriation bill, bond and capital improvement act, and act making appropriations for certain grants-in-aid bill, or any substantive amendment or substitute bill to such bills before voting on such legislation unless the General Assembly by a three-fourths vote waives this requirement. The purpose of this provision is to allow all interested persons, including legislators, a reasonable amount of time to review the three significant financial legislative acts before voting on such legislation. This restriction can be waived if three-fourths of each House of the General Assembly agrees to act in a shorter time period.	Rep. Briggs King	3/15/2018 Introduced and Assigned to House Administration
HB 344	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 11 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CLASSIFICATION AND EMPLOYMENT.	The language set forth in this statute would remove barriers and unrealistic goals to offenders with learning disabilities when being considered for parole or a sentence modification. Requiring an offender with learning disabilities or a low IQ to complete a GED or high school diploma, unless ordered by the courts, is counter-productive to the treatment and programming of this segment of the prison population and prohibits them from seeking the same benefits of parole or sentence modification afforded to the general	Rep. Briggs King	3/20/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House

		population. This amendment to the law allows an offender the opportunity to earn a high school diploma of modified performance standards upon successful completion of their Individualized Education Plan.		
HS 1 to HB 344	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 11 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CLASSIFICATION AND EMPLOYMENT.	The language set forth in this statute would remove barriers for inmates who are students with disabilities and who have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) under state and federal law, when being considered for parole or a sentence modification. Requiring an inmate with an IEP to complete a GED or State of Delaware High School Diploma is counter-productive to the treatment and programming of this segment of the prison population and prohibits them from seeking the same benefits of parole or sentence modification afforded to those inmates who do not have an IEP. This amendment to the law allows an inmate the opportunity to earn a State of Delaware Diploma of Alternate Achievement Standards upon successful completion of the inmate's IEP.	Rep. Briggs King	4/24/2018 Introduced and adopted in lieu of HB 344 4/24/2018 Assigned to Education Committee 5/9/2018 Reported out of Committee
HB 346	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATION.	This Act establishes the High Needs Educator Student Loan Payment Program. The Program allows qualified applicants to apply for a payment from the State to the applicant's lending agency, to pay a portion of the applicant's student loan debt. The purpose of the Program is to encourage Educators to work and remain working in certification areas in which Delaware has a shortage and to encourage Educators to work and remain working in Delaware's hardest-to-staff Schools. The amount of the award shall be no less than \$1000 and no more than \$2000.	Rep. Bentz, Miro & Potter, Sen. Townsend	3/22/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HS 1 HB 346	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATION.	This Act establishes the High Needs Educator Student Loan Payment Program. The Program allows qualified applicants to apply for a payment from the State to the applicant's lending agency, to pay a portion of the applicant's student loan debt. The purpose of the Program is to encourage Educators to work and remain working in certification areas in which Delaware has a shortage and to encourage Educators to work and remain working	Rep. Bentz, Miro & Potter, Sen. Townsend	3/22/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House 4/18/2018 Reported Out of House

		<p>in Delaware's hardest-to-staff Schools. The amount of the award shall be no less than \$1000 and no more than \$2000.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment eliminates criteria that unfairly considers the income of a spouse who is not an obligor on the student loan, and unfairly prioritizes applicants with dependents over those without dependents.</p> <p>HA 2- The purpose of this amendment is to incentivize educator consistency for students in high needs schools. This amendment requires that in order to be eligible for an award, an applicant must be employed in a high needs school for at least 1 year and must be at the same school the following year in order to receive the award</p>		<p>Education Committee</p> <p>4/18/2018 Assigned to House Appropriations</p> <p>6/6/2018 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/12/2018 HA 1 Defeated HA 2 Passed Passed by House</p>
HB 363	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATION	<p>This bill changes the time of school board and school referendum election from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>HA 1-This amendment changes the time when the polls open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. to be consistent with all other elections.</p>	Rep. K. Williams	<p>3/29/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>4/25/2018 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>5/1/2018 Passed by House</p> <p>5/9/2018 Reported out of Senate Ed</p>

				6/13/2018 Passed by Senate
HB 385	AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE DELAWARE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO REVENUE AND TAXATION.	This Act places a constitutional limitation on base general fund operating appropriations. However, appropriations deemed as emergencies involving the health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of the State that are approved by three-fifths of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly are not included in the limitation.	Rep. Gray	4/24/2018 Introduced and Assigned to House Administration
HB 389	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS.	This bill allows real property tax itemized deductions to continue in Delaware notwithstanding recently enacted changes to federal income tax laws.	Rep. Briggs King	4/26/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Revenue & Finance

HB 402	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 AND TITLE 21 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EXPULSION OF STUDENTS.	Previously, a school superintendent was required to notify the DMV any time a student was expelled from a public school, at which time the DMV was permitted to suspend or refuse to issue or renew the expelled student a driver's license. This bill eliminates the ability for the DMV to suspend a student's driver's license who has been expelled from a public school	Rep. Lynn	5/3/2018 Introduced and Assigned to House Education 6/6/2018 Reported out of Committee
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<p>HB 433</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATOR LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION, EVALUATION, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND PREPARATION PROGRAMS.</p>	<p>This Act expands the pathways to entering an alternative routes for teacher licensure and certification program ("ARTC") casting a wider net in order to attract a diverse pool of qualified candidates into the field of education as the need for teachers, particularly in critical needs areas, has increased. It also clarifies district and charter school responsibilities and ARTC program provider responsibilities, to assure proper supports are in place. Under this Act, attainment of final licensure and certification is contingent on meeting all ARTC program requirements, demonstrating effective teaching based on a state-approved evaluation system, and attaining passing scores on applicable and available approved content readiness exams and a performance assessment. These exit requirements hold ARTC participants to the same high standards for final licensure and certification as those entering the field from a typical teacher pre-service program. This Act also makes technical corrections to confirm existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.</p>	<p>Rep. Williams</p>	<p>5/30/2018 Introduced and Assigned to House Education Committee</p> <p>6/6/2018 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/12/2018 Passed by House</p> <p>6/13/2018 Assigned to House Education</p> <p>6/13/2018 Reported out of Committee</p>
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HB 438	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO TRUANCY.	This Act eliminates the ability of a court to suspend a student's driving privileges or hunting license for truancy	Rep. Potter	6/5/2018 Introduced and assigned to House Education 6/6/2018 Reported out of Committee
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<p>HB 454</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO VOLUNTARY SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS.</p>	<p>his Act promotes diversity of housing in Delaware by acknowledging that not all residential units warrant the same Voluntary School Assessment. Currently, single family residential subdivision projects are subject to the same per unit Voluntary School Assessment as an apartment project, regardless of size and number of bedrooms. The current framework can place an undue burden on multi-family and smaller unit residential projects. This Act seeks to mitigate this burden for redevelopment plans by eliminating the Voluntary School Assessment for one-bedroom apartment units, such that the per unit Voluntary School Assessment would be charged only for each residential unit containing two or more bedrooms, and further by reducing the Voluntary School Assessment cap to 2.5 percent of the total cost of the residential unit. This Act further recognizes that relief in support of the above-mentioned policy is most appropriate for redevelopment projects where any financial burden on the school system potentially caused by reducing the Voluntary School Assessment is mitigated by taxes previously paid to the school district for the prior development.</p> <p>HA 1 This amendment removes an exception for golf courses and other recreational uses in the definition of what is included as previously developed land.</p>	<p>Rep. Heffernan</p>	<p>6/12/2018 Introduced and assigned to Housing and Community Affairs</p> <p>6/13/2018 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/20/2018 HA 1 placed with bill</p>
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<p>HB 455</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.</p>	<p>This Act fulfills recommendations made by the Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee by doing the following: (1) Establishing 2 new, nonvoting members to serve on the State Board of Education ("Board"). The new members are a former Delaware Teacher of the Year and a Delaware 11th or 12th grade student. (2) Defining the duties of the Board's Executive Director. (3) Clarifying that the Executive Director is selected by the Board; is an employee of the Department of Education, subject to all of the Department's employment policies and procedures; but serves at the pleasure of the Board. (4) Requiring the Board to rotate its meetings among the 3 counties of this State in such a way to facilitate parents', teachers', and other community members' attendance. (5) Establishing the circumstances under which a Board member may be removed, using language standard to boards and commissions in this State. (6) Requiring the Board to permit public comment on each agenda item prior to voting on the item and in proximity to the time at which the Board discusses the item. An exception is provided if, under Delaware law or Department or Board rules, the item has a formal comment period or a process for making a record in an administrative matter that has closed before the Board's discussion of the agenda item. Examples of matters that qualify for the exception include charter school applications or formal reviews, amendments to Department of Education and Professional Standards Board regulations, and student appeals. The intent of the exception is to exclude Board actions that are quasi-judicial in nature and therefore not appropriate to open to public comment. This Act also corrects 2 internal references and makes other technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.</p> <p>This Amendment changes a word in the provision related to the State Board of Education's Executive Director.</p>	<p>Rep. Bolden</p>	<p>6/12/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Sunset Committee</p> <p>6/19/2018 Amendment HA 1 to HB 455</p> <p>6/20/2018 Reported Out of Committee</p>
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HB 462	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE.	This Act fulfills recommendations made by the Joint Legislative Overview and Sunset Committee by making amendments to the statute governing the Board of Occupational Therapy Practice to make Chapter 20 of Title 24 consistent with other Title 24 boards and delete antiquated sections that are no longer applicable, including: - Adding the duty to report conduct that constitutes grounds for discipline or inability to practice. - Removing "censure a practitioner" as an available sanction. - Removing references to temporary licenses, because the temporary license section of the statute was repealed in 2005. - Removing § 2015(c) and § 2017(c) because they are covered under the Administrative Procedures Act. - Revising the reciprocity language to address situations where a licensee holds a current license in a state that is no substantially similar to Delaware. In addition, this Act includes several amendments to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual, including deleting unnecessary words, correcting grammatical errors, and improving consistency and clarity.	Rep. Bolden	6/13/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Sunset Committee 6/20/2018 Reported out of Committee
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HJR 6	DIRECTING THE DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE DELAWARE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS THAT PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS' EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES OR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES FOR STUDENTS ON THE BASIS OF ANY LEGALLY-PROTECTED CHARACTERISTIC, INCLUDING GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION.	This House Joint Resolution directs the Department of Education, with the assistance of the Delaware State Board of Education, to promulgate regulations that include specific guidelines to prohibit discrimination in school district employment practices or educational programs and activities for students on the basis of any legally-protected characteristic, including gender identity or expression.	Rep. Heffernan & McDowell	Assigned to House Education Committee 6/28/2017 Passed House
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HJR 7	CONFERRING UPON THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES THE NECESSARY POWERS AND AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH AND PLAN FOR THE MONITORING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ANNUAL HEALTH CARE BENCHMARK.	Health care spending in Delaware is higher than the national average and has historically outpaced the State's economic and revenue growth, contributing to the State's current structural deficit. To combat ever rising costs, this Joint Resolution authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Services to undertake the actions necessary to establish a health care benchmark, and designating the State's 2018 fiscal year as a planning year. The Secretary is directed to consult with stakeholders in developing the benchmark.	Rep. Longhurst & Sen. McBride	7/1/2017 Passed by the House
HCR 39	ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO SCHOOL DISTRICT CONSOLIDATION.	<p>This concurrent resolution establishes a Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the impact of consolidating school districts in the state of Delaware.</p> <p>HA 2- This concurrent resolution establishes a Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the impact of consolidating school districts in the state of Delaware.</p> <p>HA 4- This amendment additional representation from all three counties and the City of Wilmington by including additional parents or guardians, as well as representation from each of the political bodies.</p>	Rep. Jaques	<p>6/20/2017 Introduced to House Education</p> <p>6/29/2017 Passed by House with HA 2 and HA 4</p> <p>6/29/2017</p>

		<p>SA 1- This amendment removes the provision found in House Amendment No. 2 that the Task Force should study and make findings related to the inclusion of charter schools in school districts and as part of school district consolidation.</p> <p>HA 5-This Amendment removes the Charter School Network from the task force.</p>		<p>Passed the Senate with HA 2, HA 4 and SA 1</p> <p>7/1/2017 Passed the House with HA 2, HA 4, SA 1 and HA 5</p> <p>7/1/2017 Passed the Senate with HA 2, HA 4, SA 1 and HA 5</p>
SB 10	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 19 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGE	<p>This Act increases the minimum wage required to be paid in this State by 50 cents a year beginning in 2017 and ending in 2020. After 2020, the minimum wage required to be paid in this State increases based on cost-of-living adjustments under the federal Social Security Act. This Act also makes technical corrections to conform to existing law related to the State’s deferral to the federal minimum wage to the guidelines of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual. In addition, this Act requires that employers pay an increased minimum wage based on cost-of-living adjustments under the federal Social Security Act in any year in which the federal minimum wage does not increase.</p>	Sen. Marshall & Rep. Baumbach	<p>1/10/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Labor Committee in Senate</p> <p>6/7/2017 Reported out of Committee</p>
SB 15	BOND BILL	Recommended Bond Bill	Rep. McBride & Rep. Schwartzkopf	1/12/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Capital Improvement Committee in Senate

SB 18	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO REQUIRING THAT EACH SCHOOL YEAR BEGIN AFTER LABOR DAY.	This Act requires public schools to begin their school year after Labor Day. There have been many economic impact reports done that show a positive impact from starting public schools after Labor Day. A report by the Virginia Hospitality and Travel Association estimates that \$369 million would be lost if schools were not required to start after Labor Day. This includes \$104 million in wages and \$21 million in state and local taxes. Maryland is considering similar legislation. A study of Maryland found that pushing the start of school back would generate \$74.3 million in economic activity and \$7.7 million in new state and local tax revenue.	Sen. Hocker & Rep. Gray	1/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate 3/22/2017 Failed in Committee
SB 19	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE CREATION OF A PILOT PROGRAM FOR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS IN EARLY PRIMARY GRADES FOCUSED ON REDUCED CLASS SIZE AND AN INTENSIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.	Some students from disadvantaged backgrounds arrive at school lacking the same vocabulary and word recognition skills of their peers, putting them at a disadvantage when developing literacy skills in primary grades. In analyzing this disparity, studies have shown that the third grade is a critical turning point in educational development and that students who are not performing at grade level by this point will continue to fall behind their peers at an increasingly rapid pace. This Act will seek to diminish this performance gap by creating a 3-year pilot program for disadvantaged students in primary grades in Delaware public schools. The State will provide \$1 million in grant funding per year, over a 3-year period, to support the pilot program. Under the Act, Delaware State University, Delaware Technical and Community College, and the University of Delaware are invited to help collect and analyze data to assess the program	Sen. McDowell & Rep. Heffernan	1/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate
SB 62	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATOR	This bill aligns requirements for initial licensure for school nurses to the unique role they play in Delaware public schools. It requires school nurses to hold a Bachelors Degree in Nursing (BSN) from an accredited college or university, maintain a registered nurse license, and be certified in CPR and in the use of an AED. It also	Sen. Lopez & Rep. Jaques	4/25/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education

	LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION, AND PREPARATION PROGRAMS.	<p>requires school nurses to complete 90 clock hours of training approved by the Department of Education. And finally it requires schools nurses to complete three years of supervised clinical nursing experience and achieve a passing score on the NCLEX exam before a provisional or initial license can be granted.</p> <p>SA 4 This Amendment does all of the following: (1) On lines 3 through 5 and 13 through 15, removes defining language to the type of training required to give the Department the ability to continually revise the training requirements of school nurse licensure to keep pace with the ever evolving nursing field. (2) On lines 1 through 2, 6 through 7, 11 through 12, and 16 through 17, makes technical corrections. (3) On lines 8 through 10 and 18 through 20, allows for a school nurse employed before the effective date of this Act to follow the new criteria rather than the criteria that was in place at hire. This allows for more flexibility for current school nurses.</p>		<p>Committee in Senate</p> <p>5/17/2017 Passed by Senate</p>
SS 1 to SB 85	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE LAWFUL AUTHORITY OF TEACHERS OVER PUPILS.	<p>This Act draws attention to the types of discipline used in schools by capturing data about out-of-school suspensions and publishing that data, in an effort to help schools identify areas where the data regarding out-of-school suspensions indicates there is room to reduce such suspensions. This Act is meant to increase transparency, improve overall school climate, resulting in improved student outcomes. The collection and publication of this data will also help the Department of Education and community partners identify opportunities to provide greater supports to schools, students, and their families. According to data provided by the Delaware Department of Education (“DOE”), thousands of Delaware students receive out-of-school suspensions each year for minor infractions, such as being unprepared or late for class, dress code violations, and disrespectful behavior. In 2013, only 2% of out-of-school suspensions were for serious offenses such as weapons, drugs, or serious violence. Out-of-school suspensions do not address the root causes for the misbehavior, and only serve to put</p>	Sen. Henry & Longhurst	<p>3/29/2018 SS 1 to SB 85 adopted in lieu of SB 85</p> <p>3/29/2018 Passed by the Senate</p> <p>4/12/2018 Assigned to House Education</p> <p>5/2/2018</p>

		<p>the students further behind in class. Furthermore, DOE data shows that, in 2013, African-American students made up only 32% of the student body, but accounted for 62% of out-of-school suspension, and students with disabilities made up 13% of the student body, but accounted for 24% of out-of-school suspensions. Federal discipline guidance, developed jointly by the U.S. Departments of Education and Justice, instructs schools to commit to regular evaluation of school discipline policies and practices, and monitor progress toward the schools' climate and discipline goals. The federal process requires schools to collect and publicly report disaggregated student discipline data and solicit feedback from students, staff, families, and community representatives. This Act also makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the guidelines of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual. This Substitute Bill makes the following changes to Senate Bill No. 85: 1. References the existing definition of "disruptive behavior" in Title 14. 2. Includes "disability" as a category for data collection. 3. Extends by 1 year the years stated in the requirements to retain the same time frames. This is necessary because this Act will be enacted in 2018, not 2017 when it was drafted. 4. Clarifies what information is required for reports and provides deadlines for the required plans and reports. 5. Clarifies that schools must develop plans and strategies with stakeholder input. 6. Clarifies content for professional development.</p> <p>HA 1- This Amendment clarifies when a school must develop a plan to address the number of out-of-school suspensions, provides the Department of Education authority to promulgate regulations to implement this section, and corrects a typographical error.</p>		<p>Reported out of Committee</p> <p>5/30/2018 HA 1 placed with Bill</p> <p>6/5/2018 Passed by House</p> <p>6/7/2018 Passed by Senate</p>
SB 90	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE INSPIRE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.	<p>This bill would allow for a student to participate in the Inspire Scholarship Program for eight continuous semesters instead of the current six. This would allow a student to use Inspire Scholarships for each of the semesters during a traditional college program.</p>	Sen. Bushweller & Rep. Lynn	<p>5/22/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate</p>

				<p>6/7/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>5/22/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate</p> <p>6/7/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>3/8/2018 Passed by Senate</p> <p>3/28/2018 Reported Out of House Education Committee</p> <p>4/18/2018 Reported Out of House Appropriations</p> <p>4/19/2018 Passed by House</p>
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SB 102	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 AND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO NON-ACADEMIC TRAINING AND RELATED RESOURCES.	This Act consolidates Delaware law related to child abuse and child sexual abuse training and detection, suicide prevention, bullying, criminal youth gang detection, and teen dating violence and sexual assault into one subchapter of Chapter 41, Title 14 of the Delaware Code and develops a non-academic training program that coordinates the trainings school district and charter school employees are required to receive. In addition to streamlining non-academic trainings, this Act provides school districts and charter schools with flexibility to meet current and future non-academic training needs of school district and charter school employees, students, and parents. This Act applies to all public schools, including charter schools and vocational technical schools. This Act also makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual, ensure consistency within the new subchapter, and make references throughout the Code consistent based changes to certain Code designations made by this Act.	Sen. Henry & Rep. Jaques	6/1/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate 6/7/2017 Reported Out of Committee 6/8/2017 Passed By Senate 6/30/2017 Passed by House
SB 104	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATION MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.	This Act sets the minimum educational courses for each grade. It does not set the curriculum for these courses or how they will be presented within the classrooms. The life skills program replaces the half credit currently listed as part of the 3 1/2 electives required for graduation, and is not an additional half credit added to the graduation requirements.	Sen. Lawson	6/6/2017
SB 107	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A	This bill requires the Division of Public Health and the Department of Education to collaborate with local school districts to find ways to help improve the indoor environment in schools. The bill also requires the Division of Public Health to establish an online portal on the DHSS website through which it will provide technical	Sen. Hansen & Rep. Keeley	6/6/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education

	HEALTHY SCHOOLS INDOOR ENVIRONMENT PORTAL.	<p>expertise and exchange information with local school districts in order to help improve the air quality and overall indoor environment in schools. The bill also requires the Department of Education to notify local school districts of the portal every year.</p> <p>HA 1- This amendment requires schools to post the number for the Division of Public Health so parents will have immediate access to make inquires and express concerns. In addition, it enables the Division of Public Health to make unannounced visits to schools.</p>		<p>Committee in Senate</p> <p>6/14/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>7/2/2017 Passed by House with HA 1</p> <p>7/3/2017 Passed by Senate with HA 1</p>
SB 111	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM.	<p>This bill establishes the Behavioral Health Consortium that will provide oversight and coordination of the State's private and public bodies to address behavioral health issues in Delaware.</p> <p>SA 1- This Amendment makes changes based on stakeholder feedback and offers clarification of the legislative intent pertaining to the education community. Specifically, it identifies the DOE as an agency that the Consortium will engage with to gather specific expertise and it clarifies that the representative of the education community must be someone who works directly to improve behavioral health in a Delaware school district.</p>	Sen. Townsend & Rep. Bentz	6/14/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Health, Children & Social Services Committee in Senate
SB 116	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL	This bill creates a 3-year exemption for public school construction from prevailing wage requirements. Also the public school will prepare cost study comparison reports for the Controller General's Office to compile and report to the General Assembly.	Sen. Simpson	6/13/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Labor

	CONSTRUCTION PREVAILING WAGE ACT.			Committee in Senate
SB 126	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE BASIC SALARY SCHEDULE FOR TEACHERS, NURSES, PRINCIPALS, SUPERINTENDENTS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES.	This Act provides school-based speech-language pathologists and audiologists who hold a current Certificate of Clinical Competence in speech-language pathology, ("CCC-SLP") or audiology ("CCC-A"), issued by the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association and who hold a current state license to practice from the Delaware Board of Speech Pathologists, Audiologists and Hearing Aid Dispensers with a base salary level of Master's Plus 30 credits. Professionals who have a CCC-SLP or CCC-A ASHA certification have met the following rigorous academic and professional standards: 1. Successful completion of requisite academic courses by an accredited program. 2. Successful completion of supervised clinical practicum experiences in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology. 3. Successful completion/passing score on the National Praxis Exam in speech-language pathology or audiology. 4. Successful completion of a Clinical Fellowship. This Act allows speech language pathologists and audiologists who have completed the course work required by state guidelines to apply for an additional 15 credits to move to the Master's Plus 45 level. This Act contains a grandfather clause that allows school-based speech-language pathologists and audiologists in Delaware who have a master's degree, a current license, and have worked as a speech-language pathologist for 20 or more years but do not have Certificate of Clinical Competence to, be granted the equivalent pay grade of Master's Plus 30 with the same additional coursework criteria for moving to Master's Plus 45 level.	Sen. Lopez	1/17/18 Reported Out of Committee 1/17/18 Assigned to Senate Finance 6/6/2018 Reported out of Committee 6/12/2018 Passed By Senate 6/13/2018 Assigned to Education Committee in House 6/13/2018 Reported out of Committee
SB 168	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14, TITLE 18, AND TITLE 21 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO DRIVER EDUCATION	According to the U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, an estimated 42% of all face-to-face contact between individuals and law-enforcement officers occurred during a traffic stop. This Act requires the Department of Transportation ("Department") to examine applicants for a driver's license regarding their knowledge related to traffic stops by law-enforcement officers by including at	Sen. Henry	3/28/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education 4/25/2018

	<p>ON TRAFFIC STOP PROCEDURES.</p>	<p>least 2 questions on the subject in any examination given to applicants. This Act also charges the Department of Justice and the Office of Defense Services with collaborating to produce information to educate applicants regarding traffic stops by law-enforcement officers, which the Department must include in any document designed to educate applicants on the rules for driving a motor vehicle. Also, this Act makes clear that students in a State-approved driver education course must demonstrate knowledge related to traffic stops by law-enforcement officers. Also, this Act requires defensive driving courses approved by the Department to educate individuals in these courses on traffic stops by law-enforcement officers and to examine these individuals in the subject by including at least 2 questions on the subject in any examination given to the individuals. In addition, this Act takes effect on August 1, 2019, to provide time to implement its requirements. Finally, this Act makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.</p> <p>SA 1- This Amendment adds additional State agencies to those agencies tasked in Senate Bill No. 168 with producing information to educate an applicant related to traffic stops by a law-enforcement officer. This Amendment also authorizes those State agencies to consult with other interested parties in producing this information. Finally, this Amendment makes clear that the information is not legal advice.</p>		<p>Reported Out of Committee (Education) in Senate</p> <p>6/5/2018 SA 1 attached the bill</p> <p>6/5/2018 Passed by the Senate</p> <p>6/6/2018 Assigned to Education Committee in House</p> <p>6/13/2018 Reported Out of Committee</p>
<p>SB 172</p>	<p>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL FUNDING TRANSPARENCY.</p>	<p>This bill will increase the public transparency of education funding information by directing the Department of Education to: 1. Establish, in collaboration with stakeholders, a statewide approach for districts and charter schools for reporting expenditures at the school level and the school's share of central office expenditures so that per-pupil expenditure data is consistent and comparable across the State. 2. Report per-pupil expenditure data with key information that provide context on differences in funding such as school type, student demographics, and student outcomes. 3. Provide optional trainings to increase understanding of the data. As a result, this bill is intended to enable all taxpayers, parents, and schools to</p>	<p>Sen. Sokola</p>	<p>4/18/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Education</p> <p>4/24/2018 Reported out of Committee</p>

		<p>understand their school spending and resources in order to make data-driven decisions for students</p> <p>SB 1- This Amendment replaces the term "tuition" with "fees for student services" as an excluded expense category. The Amendment also adds Educators and the Delaware State Education Association and the Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens as representatives that must be involved in developing the standardized statewide approach.</p> <p>HA 1- This Amendment clarifies that the term salaries, for purposes of this Act, includes benefits and other employment costs. This Amendment also requires that expenditures be coded and reported with a label that identifies the type and purpose of the expenditure.</p>		
SB 218	AN ACT TO AMMEND TITLE 24 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE LICENSURE OF ART THERAPISTS.	This bill amends Title 24 of the Delaware Code by changing the qualifications for a Professional Art Therapists. For those graduating with a master's degree prior to January 2013, a master's degree from an accredited educational institution in an art therapy program that was either approved by the American Art Therapy Association or accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs at the time the degree was conferred is required.	Sen. Simpson	<p>6/1/2018 Introduced and assigned to Sunset Committee</p> <p>6/6/2018 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/7/2018 Passed by Senate</p> <p>6/12/2018 Assigned to Joint Sunset</p> <p>6/20/2018 Reported out of Committee</p>

SB 219	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE POPULATION CONSORTIUM.	Since 1975, the Delaware Population Consortium has prepared a unified set of statewide population projections each year. These projections are used for a variety of purposes including capital planning, policy analysis, comprehensive planning, and transportation planning. All 3 counties are required by State law to utilize these projections to prepare their required comprehensive plans. However, the Delaware Population Consortium does not exist in State law. This Act formally creates the Delaware Population Consortium, identifies its membership and work products, and requires that all counties, municipalities, school districts, and State agencies use the Consortium's projections for planning and policy purposes.	Sen. Hansen	6/1/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Elections & Government Affairs 6/14/2018 Passed by Senate
SB 234	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 CHAPTER 12 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE LIMITATION, SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF EDUCATOR LICENSE	Currently, the ability of the Department to take licensure action (i.e., suspension, revocation, limitation) is, in certain cases, contingent upon the public school employer first taking employment action (i.e., dismissal, termination). The Department believes that its ability, as the agency issuing professional teaching credentials to educators, to undertake licensure action should be separate from any action by the public school employer. Further, the Department seeks to expand the circumstances in which the Secretary may automatically suspend teaching credentials, specifically to include situations involving felony crimes against a children or where there is a clear and immediate danger to student safety or welfare. This bill removes the requirement of employment action before disciplinable offenses may be handled by the Department, making this licensure disciplinary structure consistent with how other licensed professions are handled in this State. The bill also creates the power to impose temporary emergency suspensions in those rare instances where a teacher poses a threat to student health, safety, or welfare. Finally, this bill creates the confidential letter of concern that is non-disciplinary and may be used in those instances where a teacher's behavior is not in violation of the code, but indicative of a practice that is a matter of concern. These two provisions also make teacher licensure discipline more similar to other licensed professions in the State.	Sen. Townsend	6/7/2018 Introduced and Assigned to Senate Education 6/13/2018 Reported out of Committee 6/14/2018 Passed by Senate 6/15/2018 Assigned to House Education 6/20/2018 Reported out of Committee

SB 235	Budget Bill	Budget Bill	Sen. McDowell	6/12/2018 Introduced and Laid on the table 6/20/2018 Passed by Senate
SB 236	AN ACT MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO PROVIDE A ONE-TIME SALARY SUPPLEMENT FOR STATE EMPLOYEES, TO PROVIDE A ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENT FOR STATE PENSIONERS AND TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.	This Act appropriates \$49,167,700 to provide a \$500 one-time salary supplement to full-time and part-time employees, to provide a \$400 pension supplement to pensioners and provides one-time funded projects through the Office of Management and Budget.	Sen. McDowell	6/12/2018 Introduced and Laid on the table
SB 241	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.	This Act provides the Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association with the authority to establish fees for officiating. This Act also makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.	Sen. Poore	6/9/2018 Introduced and assigned to Senate Ed 6/13/2018 Reported out of Committee 6/14/2018

				<p>Passed by Senate</p> <p>6/20/2018 Reported out of House Education</p>
SB 242	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PAY FOR SUCCESS CONTRACTS.	<p>This Act creates Pay for Success contracts. A Pay for Success contract is an agreement between a State agency and either a program intermediary or an investor under which an investor will provide upfront capital to fund a service, program, or economic development initiative. The State agency agrees to repay the program intermediary or investor if the service, program, or economic development initiative meets the performance measures and outcomes agreed to in the contract. An independent evaluator will determine if the performance measures and outcomes are met. If the State agency contracts with a program intermediary, the program intermediary will manage all aspects of the project, including identifying the investor and the entity or entities that will provide the service, program, or economic development initiative. In other situations, a State agency will contract directly with the investor, who will contract directly with the entity or entities that will provide the service, program, or economic development initiative.</p> <p>SA 1- This Amendment requires that specific procedures be established for Pay for Success contracts that involve early childhood education or public education. This Amendment also creates a working group that will make recommendations to the Office of Management and Budget regarding these procedures.</p>	Sen. Walsh	<p>6/12/2018 Introduced and assigned to Government Affairs in the Senate</p> <p>6/13/2018 Reported out of Committee</p> <p>6/14/2018 Passed by the Senate</p>
SCR 39	REQUESTING AN ADVISORY OPINION OF THE JUSTICES OF THE DELAWARE SUPREME COURT.	This Concurrent Resolution requests an Opinion of the Justices of the Delaware Supreme Court regarding the proper construction of § 1, Article X of the Delaware Constitution and the constitutionality of laws establishing and maintaining Delaware's free public school system	Sen. Townsend	<p>6/30/2017 Introduced in the Senate</p> <p>6/30/2017 Defeated by the Senate</p>

SCR 79	DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE DELAWARE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS THAT PERMIT COACHES TO COACH ATHLETES OUT OF SEASON, WITH RESTRICTIONS THAT MINIMIZE THE RISK OF UNETHICAL ACTIVITY	This Senate Concurrent Resolution directs the Department of Education, with the assistance of the Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association, to promulgate regulations that permit coaches to coach student athletes out of season, with restrictions that minimize the risk of unethical activities	Sen. Poore	6/21/2018 Introduced in the Senate 6/21/2018 Passed by the Senate
HR 12	DESIGNATING MAY 5, 2017, AS "SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.	This resolution designates May 5, 2017, as "School Lunch Hero Day" in order to recognize the hardworking school nutrition professionals in this State's school cafeterias and to showcase the difference these professionals make in the lives of every child who comes through the cafeteria	Rep. Osienski	5/3/2017 Passed In House 5/3/2017 Introduced
HJR 3	DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REVIEW THE STATE ESSA PLAN WITH THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF	This Joint Resolution directs the Department of Education to present its plan for compliance with the new federal education law - "Every Student Succeeds Act" or "ESSA" – at a meeting of the education committees of both chambers of the General Assembly prior to the completion of the state plan and it's submission to the federal Department of Education.	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Sokola	1/18/2017- Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House with 11 Favorable, 2 On Its Merits 1/11/2017- Introduced and

	REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE.			Assigned to Education Committee in House 3/21/2017 Passed by the Senate

