

**Legislative Chair**  
**NJ State School Nurses Association Report**  
**October 5, 2019**

Pamphlet Law	New Laws	Laws on
P.L.2019 c.222	Requires health curriculum for public school students in grades kindergarten through 12 to include instruction on mental health.	8/12/19
P.L.2019, c.185.	Requires school districts to incorporate age-appropriate sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention education in grades preschool through 12 as part of New Jersey Student Learning Standards in Comprehensive Health and Physical Education	7/19/19 Erin's Law
P.L.2019, c.189.	Requires Department of Education to develop guidelines for school districts concerning child trafficking awareness and prevention.	7/19/19
P.L.2019, c.171.	Requires teachers of health and physical education in grades kindergarten through six in public schools to possess appropriate endorsement to instructional certificate.	7/19/19
P.L.2019, c.172.	Enters New Jersey in enhanced multistate Nurse Licensure Compact.	7/19/19
P.L.2019, c.250.	Requires public school districts to provide instruction on "New Jersey Safe Haven Infant Protection Act" as part of New Jersey Student Learning Standards.	8/23/19
P.L.2019, c.242.	Requires certain public facilities and offices to provide on-site lactation room; DOH to provide information about lactation room availability; and DOE to provide information on lactation policies in schools.	8/15/19
P.L.2019, c.178.	Requires board of education to post information about child abuse hotline in each school.	7/19/19

**Bills on the Move**

Bill #	Summary	Position
A3679/S1960	Permits school bus driver to administer epinephrine to students in emergency under certain circumstances. Passed the Senate, 05/23/2019 Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly. <b>No movement and not scheduled.</b>	Oppose

A3818/S2173	Clarifies statutory exemptions from mandatory immunizations for students. 01/31/2019 –Amended on Assembly floor, 2nd reading in Assembly. <b>No movement and not scheduled.</b>	Support
A10 AcsAa	S10 ScsSaSa Revises requirements to authorize and access medical cannabis; establishes requirements for institutional caregivers; revises permit requirements for alternative treatment centers; and establishes additional legal protections for patients and caregivers. <b>05/23/2019 Passed in Assembly 65-5-6, 05/24/2019 – Passed the Senate and on 5/30/19. No movement and not scheduled.</b>	Neutral
A1817/S631	Requires all students enrolled in grade eight to have certain physical examination that includes cardiac component. <b>1/18/18 Introduced and referred to Assembly Education Committee. 1/25/18 2nd read in Senate. No movement and not scheduled.</b>	Requested 6th grade
A2313/S1803	Directs school districts to permit students to use sunscreen at school and allows school employees to assist with sunscreen application in certain circumstances. 02/21/2019 – Passed in Senate 32-0, <b>2/1/19-Introduced and referred to Assembly Education Committee 2/21/19-Passed the Senate. No movement and not scheduled.</b>	Neutral
S2804	Requires young children entering public schools or Head Start Programs for first time to have a comprehensive eye examination completed by January of entering year. <b>08/23/2019 –Governor's conditional veto rcvd in Senate To discuss new proposed revisions.</b>	Neutral
A4864/S3330	(Teddy Bear Academy Bill) Current law at N.J.S.18A:20-34 authorizes the use of public-school buildings and school district property for certain other purposes when not in use for school purposes. This bill authorizes uses to include child care services before or after regular school hours for school aged children who attend school within the district and for children younger than school age. The child care services may be provided by the BOE, a board approved sponsor, or a child care program licensed pursuant to P.L.1983, c.492 (C.30:5B-1) . <b>S3330 was conditionally vetoed on 9/12/19 and Senate accepts Governor's recommendations. Changes to be distributed at NJSSNA meeting</b>	Neutral

New Proposed Legislation		
Bill #	Summary	Position
S4121	Establishes "Responsible School Violence Prevention, Preparation, and Protection Pilot Program" in certain counties and cities of first class; makes an appropriation. 09/12/2019 - Proposed for introduction.	Monitor
S4122/ A5780 (2018)	Permits school districts to define excused absences from school to include illness based on student's mental or behavioral health and requires the Commissioner of Education to develop guidelines for defining excused absence for this reason. 09/12/2019 - Proposed for introduction.	Monitor

S4135/ A5785 (2018)	"Emma's Law"; requires school buses that transport students with special needs to be equipped with certain safety features. 09/12/2019 - Proposed for introduction.	Monitor
S4141	"Paul's Law"; authorizes a parent or guardian to request use of individualized health care plan for students with seizure disorder. 09/12/2019 - Proposed for introduction.	Support mandatory education but not IHP
S4143	Requires school districts to provide lunch period of not less than 20 seated minutes. 09/12/2019 - Proposed for introduction.	Monitor
S4146	Requires parent or guardian to notify child care centers if child will be absent; requires child care centers to notify parent or guardian in the event of unexcused child absence. 09/12/2019 - Proposed for introduction.	Support

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Respectfully Submitted by Eileen Gavin and Robin Cogan, Legislative Chairpersons