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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 15	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND COMPUTER SCIENCE.	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.	Rep. Heffernan & Sen. McDowell	4/4/2017 Passed by the House  3/29/2017 Passed by the Senate, sent back to the House  3/29/2017

		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 programmatic 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>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

HB 23	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.	<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>	Rep. Matthews & Sen. McDowell	<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 Assigned to Education Committee in House</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
HB 50	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE	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	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Poore	1/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education

	RELATING TO SCHOOL NURSES.	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		Committee in House 3/15/2017 Reported Out of Committee 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	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	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	4/5/2017 Reported Out of Committee (Education) in House  3/9/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
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	4/5/2017 Reported Out of Committee  3/9/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
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	AN ACT TO AMEND	This bill eliminates the use of an enrollment preference for	Rep.	6/7/2017

HB 85	TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS	<p>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>	Williams & Sen. Sokola	<p>Reported Out of Senate Education Committee</p> <p>5/18/2017 Passed By House</p> <p>5/18/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HS 1 - Defeated By House 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>
HB 88	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SALARIES FOR SUBSTITUTE	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	Rep. Mathews & Sen. Townsend	<p>5/3/2017 HA 1 Placed with bill 4/26/2017 Reported out of Committee 3/23/2017</p>



	TEACHERS.	<p>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>		Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House
HB 98	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION	<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>	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Simpson	<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>
HB 99	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14 AND 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ADMINISTRATION OF SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX CREDITS.	<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</p>	Rep. Williams & Sen. Walsh	<p>4/27/2017 Passed By House.</p> <p>4/27/2017 Amendment filed</p> <p>4/26/2017 Reported Out of Committee in</p>

		<p>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>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>
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>	Rep. Kowalko & Sen. Henry	<p>4/5/2017 Reported Out of Committee</p> <p>3/30/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Revenue &amp; 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>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.	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	Rep. Jaques & Sen. Sokola	4/13/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House  5/10/2017 Reported Out of Committee
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	4/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House 5/17/2017 Reported Out of Committee
HB 143	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATOR LICENSURE	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	Rep. Williams & Sen. Sokola	4/25/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in House

		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 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	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	Rep. K Williams & Sen. Sokola	5/17/2017 Adopted in lieu of the original bill HB 143, and Assigned to Education Committee in House  5/17/2017 Released from House Education Committee  6/1/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HS 1 - Introduced and Placed With Bill  6/8/2017 Amendment HA 1 to HS 1 -

		<p>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 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>Passed In House by Voice Vote</p> <p>6/8/2017 Passed By 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	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

	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.			
SB 10	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 19 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGE	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.	Sen. Marshall & Rep. Baumbach	1/10/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Labor Committee in Senate
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	Sen. Hocker & Rep. Gray	1/24/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate  3/22/2017 Failed in Committee

		economic activity and \$7.7 million in new state and local tax revenue.		
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 LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION, AND PREPARATION PROGRAMS.	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 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.	Sen. Lopez & Rep. Jaques	4/25/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate

SB 90	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE INSPIRE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.	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.	Sen. Bushweller & Rep. Lynn	5/22/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in Senate  6/7/2017 Reported Out of Committee
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
SB 104	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE	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	Sen. Lawson	6/6/2017



	RELATING TO EDUCATION MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.	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.		
SB 107	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HEALTHY SCHOOLS INDOOR ENVIRONMENT PORTAL.	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 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.	Sen. Hansen & Rep. Keeley	6/6/2017 Introduced and Assigned to Education Committee in 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 REPRESENTATIVES	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

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