

Session 110 - (1993-1994)

H*3442 (Rat #0418, Act #0373 of 1994) General Bill, By J.L.M. Cromer

A Bill to provide that any person entering the premises of any school in this State shall be deemed to have consented to a reasonable search of his person and effects; to provide that school administrators and officials may conduct reasonable searches on school property of lockers, desks, vehicles, and personal belongings such as purses, bookbags, wallets, and satchels with or without probable cause; to provide that school principals or their designees may conduct reasonable searches of the person and property of visitors on school premises; to prohibit a school administrator or official from conducting a strip search; to provide that all searches conducted under this Act must comply fully with the "reasonableness standard" set forth in "New Jersey V. T.L.O. and that all school administrators must receive training in the "reasonableness standard" under existing case law and in district procedures established to be followed in conducting searches of persons entering the school premises and of the students attending the school; and to require that notice be conspicuously posted on school property informing persons of the provisions of this Act, provide for where the notice must be posted, provide that the costs of posting the notice must be paid by the State, provide that no school or school district shall be required to incur any financial obligation for complying with these notice requirements, and provide that failure to post the notice shall not constitute a defense any civil action or criminal prosecution and shall not constitute grounds for any legal liability.-amended title

02/10/93	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-5
02/10/93	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-5
04/07/93	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary HJ-7
04/14/93	House	Amended HJ-82
04/14/93	House	Read second time HJ-83
04/15/93	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-9
04/20/93	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-24
04/20/93	Senate	Referred to Committee on Education SJ-24
02/10/94	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education SJ-16
02/17/94	Senate	Special order SJ-48
03/30/94	Senate	Amended SJ-47
03/30/94	Senate	Debate adjourned SJ-48
03/31/94	Senate	Read second time SJ-358
03/31/94	Senate	Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-358
03/31/94	Senate	Debate adjourned SJ-348
04/14/94	Senate	Amended SJ-54
04/14/94	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-58
04/19/94	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-3
04/27/94		Ratified R 418
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