

CHAPTER 13

AN ACT concerning State aid to pupils in nonpublic schools and amending P.L.1974, c.79.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Section 2 of P.L.1974, c.79 (C.18A:58-37.2) is amended to read as follows:

C.18A:58-37.2 Definitions.

2. As used in this act:

a. "Commissioner" means the State Commissioner of Education.

b. "Nonpublic school" means an elementary or secondary school within the State, other than a public school, offering education for grades kindergarten through 12, or any combination of them, wherein any child may legally fulfill compulsory school attendance requirements and which complies with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Pub.L.88-352).

c. "Textbook" means books, workbooks or manuals, whether bound or in looseleaf form, or electronic textbooks, including but not limited to, computer software, computer-assisted instruction, interactive videodisk, and other computer courseware and magnetic media, intended as a principal source of study material for a given class or group of students, a copy of which is available for the individual use of each pupil in such class or group. Computer software shall be prepared educational programs which are subject- oriented and for student instruction.

d. "Student" means any child who is a resident of the State and who is enrolled as a full-time pupil in a public or nonpublic school in grades kindergarten through 12. A child who boards at a school but whose parents do not maintain a residence in this State shall not be deemed to be a resident of the State within the meaning of this act.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved April 17, 2000.