

CHAPTER 19

AN ACT concerning the participation of certain students in high school graduation ceremonies and supplementing chapter 7C of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

1. This act shall be known as and may be cited as “Alicia’s Law.”

C.18A:7C-5.2 Special education students, certain circumstances, participation in graduation ceremony permitted.

2. a. The board of education of a school district and the board of trustees of a charter school shall permit a student who has been classified as eligible for special education programs and services pursuant to chapter 46 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes and whose individualized education program prescribes continued special education programs beyond the fourth year of high school to participate in commencement ceremonies with his graduating class and to receive a certificate of attendance, provided that the student has attended four years of high school.

b. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude a classified student from receiving a high school diploma when the student satisfactorily completes his individualized education program and has met appropriate graduation requirements.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Permits student whose high school special education program requires instruction beyond four years to participate with his class in graduation ceremony and to receive certificate of attendance.

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