

CHAPTER 228

AN ACT concerning certain homeless students and supplementing chapter 7B of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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

C.18A:7B-12.3 Certain students permitted to remain in school district.

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of N.J.S.18A:38-1, section 19 of P.L.1979, c.207 (C.18A:7B-12), or section 3 of P.L.1989, c.290 (C.18A:7B-12.1), or any other section of law to the contrary, any student who moves from one school district to another as a result of being homeless due to an act of terrorism or due to a natural disaster which results in the declaration of a State of emergency or disaster by the State or by the federal government, may continue to enroll in the school district in which the parent or guardian last resided prior to becoming homeless for up to two full school years after the act of terrorism or natural disaster; and during the two-year period, if the student is enrolled in the district in which the parent or guardian last resided prior to becoming homeless and the student's parent or guardian remains homeless for that period, the student shall attend that district tuition-free and that district shall provide the student transportation to and from school.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 19, 2016.