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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 436

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE REDDING CONSORTIUM FOR EDUCATIONAL EQUITY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 1026, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 1026. Changing boundaries; vocational-technical school districts; City of Wilmington.

4 b. The Consortium's recommendation and plan may include all of the following:

5 1. Recommendations for changes in policies and practices that will improve the coordination and
6 collaboration among districts and charter schools serving students in the City of Wilmington and New Castle
7 County, including changes in the authorization of charter schools.

8 2. Recommendations for improvements to access to high-quality early education programs for all
9 students in the areas impacted by the proposed change in district boundaries.

10 3. Recommendations for improvements of the provision and coordination of before and after-school
11 services for students and families in the areas impacted by the proposed change in district boundaries.

12 4. Recommendations for policies and practices associated with student assignment and school choice.

13 5. Recommendations for addressing additional transportation costs generated by enabling students to
14 complete their studies in schools attended prior to the boundary changes.

15 d. The Consortium's recommendation and plan must be reviewed and acted upon by the State Board of
16 Education on or after ~~January 1, 2021, and no later than April 1, 2021, to take effect on or after July 1, 2023, and~~
17 ~~no later than July 1, 2025.~~ July 1, 2023, and no later than October 1, 2023, to take effect on or after January 1,
18 2025, and no later than July 1, 2026.

SYNOPSIS

This bill extends the dates in which the recommendation and plan of the Redding Consortium for Educational Equity must be reviewed and acted upon by the State Board of Education. The extension is necessary due to delays mostly caused by the COVID pandemic.