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## NEW POLICY

[See **POLICY ALERT No. 184**]

### 6832 CONDITIONS OF RECEIVING STATE AID

The school district, as a condition of receiving State Aid, will comply with the standards set forth at N.J.S.A. 18A:55-3 and the requirements set forth in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6 concerning nepotism, contributions to Board members and contract awards, and the internal control requirements in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.

In addition, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.1, the school district shall be required to examine, no less than once every three years, all available group options for every insurance policy held by the district, including the self-insurance plan administered by the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) Insurance Group on behalf of districts, and the district shall participate in the most cost-effective plan. This examination shall include the review of annual claims data and other experience rating information, as applicable.

The district shall also: take steps to maximize participation in the Federal Universal Service Program (E-rate) and the ACT telecommunications program offered through the New Jersey School Business Officials; participate in the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) Program offered through NJSBA, unless the school district is able to demonstrate to the Commissioner of Education that it receives goods or services at a cost less than or equal to the cost achieved by participants of the program based on an analysis of the prior two years; and take appropriate steps to maximize the local public school district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3.

The district shall refinance all outstanding debt in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61.1 et seq. for which a three percent net present value savings threshold is achievable. This refinance provision of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.1(b)5 shall also be monitored by the Executive County Superintendent or State Monitor, if applicable, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-9.11.

N.J.S.A. 18A:55-3  
N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.1

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