

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

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SYNOPSIS

Designates March of each year as "Gifted and Talented Students Month" in New Jersey.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **A JOINT RESOLUTION** designating the month of March of each year
2 as "Gifted and Talented Students Month" in the State of New
3 Jersey.

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5 **WHEREAS**, Gifted children require early identification and intervention
6 and need special academic programs in their schools; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Public schools must provide for those needs as well as
8 encourage and support gifted children; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Gifted and talented student programs provide gifted and
10 talented students with curricula adapted to the pace and depth of
11 their learning; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Without the help of these tailored programs, many gifted
13 and talented students would never reach their full potential and
14 development; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Designating the month of March of each year as "Gifted
16 and Talented Students Month" will help raise public awareness of
17 gifted and talented students so that they may be identified and
18 matched to appropriate programs; now, therefore,

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20 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
21 *of New Jersey:*

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23 1. The Legislature hereby designates the month of March of each
24 year as "Gifted and Talented Students Month" in New Jersey in order
25 to raise public awareness of gifted and talented students so that they
26 may be identified and matched with a program that will nurture their
27 abilities.

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29 2. The Governor is requested to annually issue a proclamation
30 calling upon public officials and the citizens of this State to observe
31 "Gifted and Talented Students Month" with appropriate activities and
32 programs.

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34 3. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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36 **STATEMENT**

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38 This joint resolution designates the month of March of each year as
39 "Gifted and Talented Students Month" in New Jersey.

40 New Jersey school districts offer a variety of programs to provide
41 gifted and talented children with curricula adapted to meet the pace
42 and depth of their learning needs. Early identification and intervention
43 are critical to helping gifted and talented children reach their full
44 potential and development. Designating the month of March of each
45 year as "Gifted and Talented Students Month" will help raise
46 awareness so that gifted and talented children may be identified early
47 and matched with a program of instruction that nurtures their abilities.