

VETO MESSAGE - No. 224

TO THE SENATE:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, the following bill:

Senate Bill Number 4110-A, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend chapter 566 of the laws of 1967, relating to providing for the apportionment of funds to certain special school districts, in relation to eliminating reference to such union free school district number 13; to amend the education law, in relation to special act school districts and to repeal chapter 559 of the laws of 1972, relating to establishing union free school district number 13 in the town of Greenburgh in the county of Westchester, relating to the dissolution of such union free school district"

NOT APPROVED

This bill would accomplish the closure of Union Free School District Number 13 in the Town of Greenburgh, a "special act" school district associated with the Abbott House. But the bill would also impose school district retiree health insurance costs on State taxpayers. The bill fails to take into account the State's financial plan and should be considered during the budget process. While I sympathize with the plight of these retirees, I cannot approve this bill.

The bill is disapproved.

(signed) ANDREW M. CUOMO

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