

DEFEATED

**Bill #63
Education Act (amended)**

CHANGES RECOMMENDED TO THE LAW AMENDMENTS COMMITTEE

PAGE 1, Clause 2, proposed clause 89(1)(e) - add “, including, with respect to reviews involving elementary schools, consideration of the travel time and distance for students, and whether there may be a school in a different school region that is nearer to where individual students reside” after “committees”.

PAGE 1, Clause 2, proposed subsection 89(2) - delete “Subject to the regulations, a” and substitute “A”.

PAGE 2, Clause 3 - strike out everything after “repealed” and substitute a period.

PAGE 2 - add the following Clause:

4 (1) Notwithstanding any enactment, a school board may not permanently close any school that is not permanently closed prior to the coming into force of this Section except in accordance with a school review policy adopted pursuant to Section 89 of the *Education Act* as enacted by Section 2 of this Act.

(2) For the purpose of this Section, a public school is not permanently closed unless

- (a) all of the school buildings have been vacant for at least one school year prior to the coming into force of this Section;
- (b) the buildings are not being renovated; and
- (c) no students are attending the school.

PAGE 2, Clause 4 -

- (a) renumber as 5; and
- (b) strike out “Section 1” and substitute “Sections 1 and 4”.