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**To:** District Superintendents  
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**Subject:** Chapter 206 of Laws of 2009: Conforming State Law to Meet the Requirements of the 2004 Reauthorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

New York State (NYS) Education Law has been amended, effective July 1, 2009, by Chapter 206 of the Laws of 2009 to continue those provisions of State law necessary to implement IDEA 2004. Chapter 206 of the Laws of 2009 does not result in any changes to Education Law except to extend the provisions of Chapter 352 of the Laws of 2005, Chapter 430 of the Laws of 2006 and Chapter 378 of the Laws of 2007 until June 30, 2012.

The provisions extended by Chapter 206 include, but are not limited to, referrals for special education, the development or amendment of an individualized education program (IEP), due process procedures, discipline procedures for students with disabilities and special education services to students with disabilities who are enrolled by their parents in nonpublic elementary and secondary schools.

A copy of Chapter 206 is attached. Questions regarding this memorandum may be directed to the Special Education Policy Unit at 518-473-2878.

Attachment - Chapter 206 Laws of New York -2009

