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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 238

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PREFERENCES IN STUDENT ADMISSIONS TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 506, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 506. Restrictions.

4 (b) Preferences in student admissions may be given to:

5 (3) Students enrolling in a new (nonconverted) charter school may be given preference under the following
6 circumstances as long as the school has described its preferences in the school's charter:

7 a. ~~Students residing within a 5-mile radius of the school;~~ [Repealed.]

8 b. Students residing within the regular school district in which the school is ~~located;~~ located.

9 c. Students who have a specific interest in the school's teaching methods, philosophy, or educational
10 ~~foeus;~~ focus.

11 d. Students who are at risk of academic ~~failure;~~ failure.

12 e. Children of persons employed on a permanent basis for at least 30.0 hours per week during the school
13 year by the charter school.

SYNOPSIS

This Act repeals the ability of a charter school to give preference in student admissions to students residing within a 5-mile radius of the school.

This Act also makes technical corrections to conform existing law to the standards of the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.