

Mandate Review Request #2012050013

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Name of Local Government: Ardsley Union Free School District
Type of Local Government: School District
County: Westchester

Name of Mandate: Triborough Amendment

Type of Mandate: Statute

Citation for Mandate: Sec. 209-a(1)(e) of the Civil Service Law

Description of Mandate: Reform on the Triborough Amendment to the Taylor Laws to eliminate automatic step and lane increases when a contract expires. The fiscal environment and tax levy limit have created a "new normal" for school district budgeting. Within this paradigm, it is critical that these increases not be automatically guaranteed, and that there be a level playing field during the negotiaiton of a new contract.

Recommended Change: Salary step incrases should be frozen when a contract expires.

Estimated Savings from the Recommended Change to the Local Government: Triborough for our teachers currently costs \$515,000.

Estimated Statewide Savings from the Recommended Change:

Description of Methodology Used in Estimating Savings: Calculations by school business official, estimated savings is annual.