

Senator Luis Sepúlveda Champions Language Inclusivity with Bill S463 in New York Senate

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I'm deeply honored to sponsor Bill S463, a pivotal piece of legislation in the New York Senate. This isn't just another policy for me; it's a heartfelt commitment to our diverse and vibrant community. Our state is a melting pot of cultures and languages, and with this bill, we are taking decisive steps to ensure every parent has the support they need in our education system.

Bill S463 mandates all public school districts to:

- Provide forms and materials in parents' primary languages.
- Offer direct assistance for parents seeking information about their child's education.
- Ensure all parents can actively participate in school events.

Every child in New York deserves an equal shot at success. And every parent, irrespective of their language proficiency, should have the unalienable right to be deeply involved in their child's educational journey.

New York has always stood as a beacon of progress, inclusivity, and innovation. I am confident that Bill S463 will further solidify our state's commitment to every resident, ensuring that we continue to lead with empathy, understanding, and forward-thinking policies.

I invite all New Yorkers to join us in this endeavor, envisioning and working towards a future where every voice is heard, every parent is empowered, and every child has the opportunity to thrive.

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Requires school districts to establish a language assistance program for limited English proficient parents of students

January 04, 2023

In Senate Committee Education

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Do you support this bill?