



# Rajya Sabha Passes the Bill to Abolish the No Detention Policy

The Rajya Sabha has passed **The Right of Children to Free & Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2018**.

- The Bill, which was passed by the **Lok Sabha in July 2018**, seeks to amend the Right to Education Act, 2009 to abolish the no-detention policy in schools.

## Provisions of the Bill

- The Bill **amends** the **Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009** and provides that:
- There shall be a **regular examination in the fifth class and in the eighth class** at the end of every academic year.
- If a child fails in the examination he shall be **given an opportunity for re-examination within a period of two months** from the date of declaration of the result.
- The **State Government may allow schools to hold back a child** in the fifth class or in the eighth class or in both classes if he fails in the re-examination.
- The **State Government may also decide not to hold back a child** in any class until the completion of elementary education.
- **No child shall be expelled from a school** till the completion of elementary Education.

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