On page 6, after line 7, insert the following new section:

"Section 9. During the 2021-22 school year, in addition to any other leave provided by statute or board policy, each local board of education shall provide paid leave to each employee who is required to quarantine due to exposure to COVID-19 or any variant thereof or who is required to isolate due to testing positive for COVID-19 or any variant thereof. The paid leave shall continue through the entire period of quarantine or isolation."; and

Renumber subsequent sections accordingly.