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Introduced by Sens. OPPENHEIMER, DIAZ -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Higher Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law and the public health law, in relation to domestic violence course work or training

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6505-d  
2     to read as follows:  
3     S 6505-D. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING. EVERY REGISTERED  
4     NURSE AND LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE PRACTICING IN THIS STATE SHALL, ON OR  
5     BEFORE JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN AND EVERY FOUR YEARS THERE-  
6     AFTER, COMPLETE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING APPROPRIATE TO THE PROFES-  
7     SIONAL'S PRACTICE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT REGARDING DIAGNOSIS, TREAT-  
8     MENT, AND DOCUMENTATION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
9     REGULATORY STANDARDS PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH  
10    THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE OFFICE FOR THE PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC  
11    VIOLENCE. EACH SUCH PROFESSIONAL SHALL DOCUMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT AT THE  
12    TIME OF REGISTRATION COMMENCING WITH THE FIRST REGISTRATION AFTER JANU-  
13    ARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN THAT THE PROFESSIONAL HAS COMPLETED  
14    COURSE WORK OR TRAINING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION. THE DEPARTMENT  
15    SHALL PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM THIS REQUIREMENT TO ANYONE WHO REQUESTS  
16    SUCH AN EXEMPTION AND WHO (I) CLEARLY DEMONSTRATES TO THE DEPARTMENT'S  
17    SATISFACTION THAT THERE WOULD BE NO NEED FOR HIM OR HER TO COMPLETE SUCH  
18    COURSE WORK OR TRAINING BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF HIS OR HER PRACTICE OR  
19    (II) HAS COMPLETED COURSE WORK OR TRAINING DEEMED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO  
20    BE EQUIVALENT TO THE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT  
21    PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSULT WITH ORGANIZA-  
22    TIONS REPRESENTATIVE OF PROFESSIONS, INSTITUTIONS AND THOSE WITH EXPER-

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 TISE IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WITH RESPECT TO THE REGULATORY STANDARDS  
2 PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

3 S 2. The title heading of title 2-E of article 2 of the public health  
4 law, as amended by chapter 477 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 HIV/HBV/HCV PREVENTION TRAINING;

7 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING

8 S 3. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 239-c to  
9 read as follows:

10 S 239-C. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING. EVERY PHYSICIAN,  
11 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT AND SPECIALIST ASSISTANT PRACTICING IN THE STATE  
12 SHALL, ON OR BEFORE JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN AND EVERY FOUR  
13 YEARS THEREAFTER, (A) COMPLETE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING, APPROPRIATE TO  
14 THE PROFESSIONAL'S PRACTICE, APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT REGARDING DIAG-  
15 NOSIS, TREATMENT, AND DOCUMENTATION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, IN ACCORDANCE  
16 WITH REGULATORY STANDARDS PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN CONSULTATION  
17 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE OFFICE FOR THE PREVENTION OF  
18 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND (B) SO DOCUMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT  
19 SHALL PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM THIS REQUIREMENT TO ANYONE WHO REQUESTS  
20 SUCH AN EXEMPTION AND WHO (I) CLEARLY DEMONSTRATES TO THE DEPARTMENT'S  
21 SATISFACTION THAT THERE WOULD BE NO NEED FOR HIM OR HER TO COMPLETE SUCH  
22 COURSE WORK OR TRAINING BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF HIS OR HER PRACTICE OR  
23 (II) THAT HE OR SHE HAS COMPLETED COURSE WORK OR TRAINING DEEMED BY THE  
24 DEPARTMENT TO BE EQUIVALENT TO THE COURSE WORK OR TRAINING APPROVED BY  
25 THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSULT  
26 WITH ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTATIVE OF PROFESSIONS, INSTITUTIONS AND THOSE  
27 WITH EXPERTISE IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WITH RESPECT TO THE REGULATORY STAN-  
28 DARDS PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

29 S 4. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
30 it shall have become a law and provided further that the commissioners  
31 of health and education may immediately take such steps as are necessary  
32 for implementation of this act on such effective date.