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Introduced by Sen. KLEIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to powers of the commissioner of the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision (h) of section 19.09 of the mental hygiene law,  
2     as added by section 6 of part I of chapter 58 of the laws of 2005, is  
3     amended to read as follows:  
4     (h) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations requiring  
5     the [state] DIVISION OF HORSE racing and PARI-MUTUEL wagering [board]  
6     and the [state lottery] division OF LOTTERY to provide for the posting  
7     of signs in facilities [licensed] REGULATED by the [state] DIVISION OF  
8     HORSE racing and PARI-MUTUEL wagering [board to conduct pari-mutuel  
9     wagering] and facilities [licensed] REGULATED by the [state lottery]  
10    division OF LOTTERY advising where to get help in dealing with a compul-  
11    sion to gamble. In addition, the information contained on such signs  
12    shall be posted on the internet at appropriate internet sites. Such  
13    signs and information posted on the internet shall include, but not be  
14    limited to, notice of the availability of one or more organizations,  
15    approved by the commissioner, which offer assistance in the prevention  
16    and treatment of compulsive gambling. Such signs, not less than eight  
17    and one-half inches by eleven inches, shall be [conspicuously] posted IN  
18    A PROMINENT MANNER AND WITHIN REASONABLE DISTANCE OF EACH ENTRANCE AND  
19    EXIT by the facility which is conducting the gambling. Such signs shall  
20    be available at the [state] DIVISION OF HORSE racing and PARI-MUTUEL  
21    wagering [board], the [state lottery] division OF LOTTERY, and the  
22    office of alcoholism and substance abuse services and shall be distrib-  
23    uted by the appropriate licensing agency.  
24    S 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
25    manner as section 1 of part A of chapter 60 of the laws of 2012, takes  
26    effect.

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

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