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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing a career and technical education diploma

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 817 to  
2     read as follows:  
3     S 817. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION DIPLOMA. 1. A. A CAREER AND  
4     TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) DIPLOMA IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED. A CTE DIPLOMA  
5     SHALL:  
6     (I) BE A GRADUATION DIPLOMA THAT CONFERS THE SAME BENEFITS FOR  
7     STUDENTS THAT ARE CONFERRED BY A REGENTS OR LOCAL DIPLOMA;  
8     (II) DIFFER FROM THE REGENTS OR LOCAL DIPLOMA PATHWAY WITH RESPECT TO  
9     REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS; AND  
10    (III) PROVIDE A PATHWAY FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.  
11    B. A CTE DIPLOMA SHALL BE BASED ON CURRICULUM DESIGNED TO PROVIDE  
12    STUDENTS WITH TECHNICAL SKILLS AND SHALL DEMONSTRATE THAT THE STUDENT IS  
13    READY FOR A CAREER AS DETERMINED BY REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER.  
14    C. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, A CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION  
15    SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, A COURSE OF STUDY IN THE FOLLOWING  
16    CAREER FIELDS: AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS AND MARKETING, FAMILY AND CONSUMER  
17    SCIENCES, HEALTH OCCUPATIONS, TRADE, TECHNOLOGY, MANUFACTURING, MACHIN-  
18    ING AND ENGINEERING.  
19    2. THE BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL PROMULGATE SUCH REGULATIONS OF THE  
20    COMMISSIONER AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH THE CURRICULUM, ASSESS-  
21    MENTS AND ANY OTHER CRITERIA THAT STUDENTS MUST ACHIEVE TO EARN A CTE  
22    DIPLOMA.  
23    3. STUDENTS WHO ENTERED HIGH SCHOOL IN THE TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN - TWO  
24    THOUSAND FOURTEEN SCHOOL YEAR AND THEREAFTER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO EARN A  
25    CTE DIPLOMA.

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

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1     S   2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015; provided, further, that  
2 effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule  
3 or regulation necessary for the timely implementation of this act on its  
4 effective date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on  
5 or before such effective date.