

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 10, 2018

Introduced by M. of A. JAFFEE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring mental health counselors in schools

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 803-b
2 to read as follows:

3 § 803-b. Full time licensed mental health counselors, as defined by
4 section eighty-four hundred two of this chapter, required in every
5 elementary, required in intermediate, middle, junior high, and senior
6 high schools. The board of education or trustees of every school
7 district in the state shall on and after July first, two thousand twenty
8 employ at least one certified or licensed mental health counselor in
9 each of the schools under their jurisdiction exclusive of any school
10 mental health counselors funded or mandated through any special educa-
11 tion funding, aid, regulation or statute.

12 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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