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Introduced by M. of A. EPSTEIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law and the state finance law, in relation to establishing a reproductive health services training grant program

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section
2 2807-nn to read as follows:

3 § 2807-nn. Reproductive health training and education grant program.

4 1. As used in this section, "eligible participant" means an intern or
5 resident who is employed by a hospital or otherwise enrolled in an
6 accredited graduate medical education program.

7 2. The commissioner, shall establish a reproductive health services
8 training and education grant program for eligible participants as
9 defined in subdivision one of this section. Such grant program shall
10 consist of two to six weeks of clinical training in accordance with
11 Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education standards for clinical
12 training in the performance of abortion and related reproductive
13 health services and shall otherwise meet professionally recognized
14 training standards as defined by the commissioner.

15 3. The commissioner is authorized, within amounts appropriated for
16 such purpose to make grants in accordance with this subdivision. Such
17 grants may be used for administration, faculty recruitment and develop-
18 ment, start-up costs and costs incurred teaching reproductive health
19 care in hospital-based programs or non-hospital-based care sites,
20 including, but not limited to, personnel, administration and trainee
21 related expenses and other expenses judged reasonable and necessary by
22 the commissioner. As used in this section, "trainee related expenses"
23 shall include a travel and housing stipend paid to each intern or resi-
24 dent if deemed necessary.

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

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1 § 2. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 99-qq to
2 read as follows:

3 § 99-qq. Reproductive health training and education fund. 1. There is
4 hereby established in the joint custody of the state comptroller and
5 commissioner of taxation and finance a special fund to be known as the
6 "reproductive health training and education fund".

7 2. Such fund shall consist of all moneys appropriated thereto from any
8 other fund or source pursuant to law. Nothing contained in this section
9 shall prevent the state from receiving grants, gifts or bequests for the
10 purposes of the fund as defined in this section and depositing them into
11 the fund according to law.

12 3. Moneys shall be payable from the fund on the audit and warrant of
13 the comptroller on vouchers approved and certified by the commissioner
14 of health.

15 4. The moneys in such fund shall be expended for the reproductive
16 health services training and education grant program in accordance with
17 the provisions of section twenty-eight hundred seven-nn of the public
18 health law.

19 § 3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
20 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or
21 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of
22 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed
23 on or before such effective date.