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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the establishment and implementation of guidelines concerning certain head injuries

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 920 to read as follows:

S 920. GUIDELINES FOR CERTAIN ATHLETIC AND RECREATIONAL PARTICIPATION. 1. EVERY SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT GUIDELINES FOR THE RETURN TO ATHLETIC COMPETITION, GYM CLASS OR SCHOOL SPONSORED RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY BY STUDENTS AFTER SUFFERING A CONCUSSION.

2. THE GUIDELINES PROVIDED FOR IN SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, WRITTEN CLEARANCE FROM A PHYSICIAN BEFORE THE STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO RETURN TO ATHLETIC COMPETITION, PARTICIPATION IN GYM CLASS OR OTHER SCHOOL SPONSORED RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, any rules and regulations necessary for the timely implementation of this act on its effective date shall be promulgated on or before such date.

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

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