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AN ACT to amend the public health law and the state finance law, in relation to creating the New York state governor's council on physical fitness, sports and health

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

Section 1. Article 2 of the public health law is amended by adding a new title 6 to read as follows:

TITLE 6

NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON

PHYSICAL FITNESS, SPORTS AND HEALTH

6 SECTION 267. NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS, 7 SPORTS AND HEALTH.

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267-A. POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES.

267-B. MEMBERS AND MEETINGS.

S 267. NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS, 10 SPORTS AND HEALTH. THERE IS HEREBY CREATED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, THE NEW YORK 11 STATE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS, SPORTS AND HEALTH 12 (HERE-13 AFTER "COUNCIL"). THE COUNCIL SHALL BE REGULATED BY THE DEPARTMENT, AND 14 SUPPORT STAFF OF THE COUNCIL, AS PROVIDED BY THIS TITLE, SHALL BE EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT. 15

16 S 267-A. POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES. THE POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND 17 DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL SHALL INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOW-18 ING:

19 1. THE COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF PERTINENT FITNESS INFORMATION 20 THROUGH PUBLIC SERVICE ADVERTISEMENTS, WEBSITE, BROCHURES AND NEWSLET-21 TERS;

22 2. THE SPONSORING OF FITNESS WORKSHOPS, CLINICS, CONFERENCES, AND 23 OTHER SPECIAL ACTIVITIES THAT PROMOTE HEALTH, PHYSICAL FITNESS AND 24 SPORTS DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING AN ANNUAL STATEWIDE CONFERENCE ON FITNESS;

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

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3. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EMPLOYEE FITNESS PROGRAMS 1 2 IN PUBLIC AGENCIES AND PRIVATE COMPANIES TO INCREASE WORKSITE HEALTH 3 PROMOTION POLICIES; 4 4. COORDINATION WITH EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES AND ASSOCIATIONS TO DEVELOP 5 SCHOOL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS; 6 5. PARTNERING WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES TO DEVELOP FITNESS 7 PROGRAMS AND TO CREATE A FITNESS AWARENESS MONTH; 8 6. COORDINATION WITH CITIZENS, CIVIC GROUPS AND AMATEUR AND PROFES-SIONAL SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE FITNESS; 9 10 7. COORDINATION WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION, LABOR, HEALTH AND OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REGARDING THE 11 12 NEED FOR INCREASED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY; 8. THE CREATION OF PARTNERSHIPS WITH GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE ENTITIES AND 13 14 NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO PROMOTE THE NEED FOR REGULAR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY THROUGH A SPECIALIZED MARKETING CAMPAIGN; 15 9. THE COLLECTION, MAINTENANCE AND ANALYSIS OF DATA AND STATISTICS IN 16 17 ORDER TO DEVELOP A REPORT CARD TO BE PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNOR AND LEGIS-LATURE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS; 18 10. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ANNUAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR AND 19 LEGISLATURE TO IMPROVE AWARENESS REGARDING PHYSICAL FITNESS AND TO 20 21 DEVELOP PROGRAMS FOR SPECIALIZED GROUPS THAT SHALL INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING: 22 23 (A) HIGH RISK URBAN AND RURAL POPULATIONS; 24 (B) SENIORS; 25 (C) YOUTH; AND (D) OTHER HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS; 26 27 11. THE CREATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF ANNUAL NEW YORK STATE GOVER-NOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS, SPORTS AND HEALTH LEADERSHIP IN 28 29 FITNESS AWARDS IN SEVERAL CATEGORIES THAT MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT 30 LIMITED TO: 31 (A) CORPORATE LEADERSHIP; 32 (B) GOVERNMENT AGENCY LEADERSHIP; 33 (C) LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP; 34 (D) MEDIA LEADERSHIP; (E) SENIOR LEADERSHIP; 35 36 (F) HEALTH CARE LEADERSHIP; 37 (G) SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE YEAR; AND (H) PHYSICAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR;12. THE USE OF FUNDS, AS PROVIDED FOR BY THIS TITLE, TO DEVELOP AND 38 39 40 ADMINISTER SPECIAL COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE PHYSICAL FITNESS; 41 AND 13. THE ADOPTION OF SUCH RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF ITS BUSINESS AS 42 IT 43 DEEMS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THIS TITLE. 44 S 267-B. MEMBERS AND MEETINGS. 1. THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF THE 45 FOLLOWING MEMBERS: 46 (A) THE COMMISSIONER; 47 (B) THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR; 48 (C) THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; 49 (D) THE COMMISSIONER OF THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES; 50 (E) THE COMMISSIONER OF THE OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC 51 PRESERVATION; (F) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GOVERNOR TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR; 52 (G) A REPRESENTATIVE OR MEMBER OF THE SENATE TO BE APPOINTED BY THE 53 54 TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; 55 (H) A REPRESENTATIVE OR MEMBER OF THE SENATE TO BE APPOINTED BY THE 56 MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE;

A REPRESENTATIVE OR MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY TO BE APPOINTED BY THE 1 (I) 2 SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY; 3 (J) A REPRESENTATIVE OR MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY TO BE APPOINTED BY THE 4 ASSEMBLY MINORITY LEADER; 5 (K) THE CHANCELLOR OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK; 6 (L) A DEAN FROM A STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK TEACHING HOSPITAL TO BE 7 APPOINTED BY THE CHANCELLOR OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK; (M) A MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK STATE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY COALITION; 8 9 (N) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; 10 AND (O) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NEW YORK STATE DIETETIC ASSOCIATION. 11 12 2. MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION, BUT SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO 13 14 TRAVEL, HOTEL AND MEAL EXPENSES TO BE APPROPRIATED FROM FUNDS PROVIDED 15 FOR IN SECTION NINETY-FIVE-H OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW. STAFF MEMBERS TO THE COUNCIL SHALL BE EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT, SHALL INCLUDE AN EXEC-16 17 UTIVE DIRECTOR AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT STAFF AS DETERMINED THE COUNCIL, SHALL RECEIVE SALARIES TO BE ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNCIL 18 ΒY 19 AND THE COMMISSIONER. 20 3. THE COUNCIL SHALL HAVE QUARTERLY MEETINGS TO BE SCHEDULED BY THE 21 JANUARY, APRIL, JULY AND OCTOBER. AT THE CALL OF THE COUN-COUNCIL IN 22 CIL'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, A SPECIAL MEETING CAN BE HELD PROVIDED TWO 23 WEEKS NOTICE IS GIVEN TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. 24 EACH JANUARY, THE COUNCIL SHALL PROVIDE AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE 4. 25 GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE WHICH SHALL INCLUDE A FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE OF 26 THE COUNCIL'S PRIOR YEAR'S BUDGET, AN UPDATE ON THE COUNCIL'S PROGRAMS, 27 INFORMATION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COUNCIL'S POLICIES AND ITS 28 RECOMMENDATIONS AS PROVIDED FOR IN SUBDIVISIONS THREE AND TEN OF SECTION 29 HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN-A OF THIS TITLE. SUCH REPORT MAY ALSO INCLUDE TWO PROPOSED LEGISLATION AND FUNDING REQUESTS FOR THE COUNCIL. 30 S 2. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 95-h to 31 32 read as follows: 33 S 95-H. NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS, SPORTS 34 AND HEALTH FUND. 1. THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED IN THE JOINT CUSTODY OF 35 COMPTROLLER AND COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH A SPECIAL FUND TO BE THE STATE KNOWN AS THE "NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL 36 FITNESS, 37 SPORTS AND HEALTH FUND". 38 2. SUCH FUND SHALL CONSIST OF ALL MONIES APPROPRIATED FOR THE PURPOSE 39 OF SUCH FUND AND ANY GRANT, GIFT OR BEQUEST MADE TO THE NEW YORK STATE 40 GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS, SPORTS AND HEALTH. 3. MONIES OF THE FUND SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE NEW YORK STATE GOVER-41 NOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS, SPORTS AND HEALTH FOR THE 42 FOLLOWING 43 **PURPOSES:** 44 (A) OPERATIONAL EXPENSES OF THE COUNCIL, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE, BUT ARE 45 NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING: 46 (I) THE CREATION OF A COUNCIL WEBSITE; 47 (II) THE CREATION AND DISSEMINATION OF A COUNCIL BROCHURE; 48 (III) THE CREATION AND DISSEMINATION OF A COUNCIL NEWSLETTER; 49 (IV) EXPENSES FOR SUPPORT STAFF EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. 50 SALARIES AND OTHER EXPENSES FOR SUCH SUPPORT STAFF SHALL BE DETER-THE 51 MINED BY THE COUNCIL AND THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH; AND 52 (V) COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH REIMBURSING THE COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR VARIOUS 53 EXPENSES AS PROVIDED FOR IN TITLE SIX OF ARTICLE TWO OF THE PUBLIC 54 HEALTH LAW; 55 (B) THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF SPECIAL COMMUNITY-BASED 56 PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE PHYSICAL FITNESS;

1 (C) THE CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE 2 INCENTIVES TO EMPLOYERS WHO PROMOTE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND PHYSICAL 3 FITNESS; AND

4 (D) THE COSTS OF ANY AND ALL OTHER PROGRAMS PROVIDED FOR OR AUTHORIZED 5 UNDER TITLE FIVE OF ARTICLE TWO OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW AS ADDED BY 6 CHAPTER FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT OF THE LAWS OF TWO THOUSAND TWO.

7 4. THE MONIES OF THE FUND SHALL BE PAID OUT ON THE AUDIT AND WARRANT 8 OF THE COMPTROLLER ON VOUCHERS CERTIFIED OR APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER 9 OF HEALTH, OR BY AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 10 DESIGNATED BY SUCH COMMISSIONER.

11 S 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after 12 it shall have become a law, provided however, that effective immediate-13 ly, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rules or regulations 14 necessary for the implementation of the foregoing sections of this act 15 on its effective date is authorized and directed to be made and 16 completed on or before such effective date.