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## IN SENATE

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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the autism detection and education program and mapping of autism locations

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

1 Section 1. Article 24 of the public health law is amended by adding a 2 new title 1-D to read as follows:

TITLE 1-D

AUTISM DETECTION, EDUCATION AND MAPPING PROGRAM

5 SECTION 2418-A. AUTISM DETECTION, EDUCATION AND MAPPING PROGRAM; ESTAB-6 LISHMENT.

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2418-B. GRANTS TO APPROVED ORGANIZATIONS.

2418-C. ANNUAL REPORT.

9 S 2418-A. AUTISM DETECTION, EDUCATION AND MAPPING PROGRAM; ESTABLISH-10 MENT. 1. THERE IS HEREBY CREATED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT THE AUTISM 11 DETECTION, EDUCATION AND MAPPING PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED 12 TO PROMOTE SCREENING AND DETECTION OF AUTISM, TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC 13 REGARDING AUTISM, TO PROVIDE COUNSELING AND REFERRAL SERVICES AND TO MAP 14 LOCATIONS OF OCCURRENCE OF AUTISM.

15 2. THE PROGRAM SHALL INCLUDE:

16 (A) ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATEWIDE PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH 17 CAMPAIGN TO PUBLICIZE AUTISM DETECTION AND EDUCATION SERVICES, SUCH 18 CAMPAIGN SHALL INCLUDE: GENERAL COMMUNITY EDUCATION, AUTISM SCREENING 19 SERVICES, INFORMATION ON THE EXTENT OF COVERAGE FOR SUCH SERVICES BY 20 HEALTH INSURANCE, ANY AVAILABLE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND OTHER 21 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS.

22 (B) PROVISION OF GRANTS TO APPROVED ORGANIZATIONS UNDER SECTION TWEN-23 TY-FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTEEN-B OF THIS TITLE;

(C) COMPILATION OF DATA CONCERNING THE AUTISM DETECTION, EDUCATION AND
 MAPPING PROGRAM INCLUDING MAPPING OF THE FREQUENCY OF THE OCCURRENCE OF
 AUTISM IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE STATE AND DISSEMINATION OF THE DATA
 TO THE PUBLIC.

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

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S 2418-B. GRANTS TO APPROVED ORGANIZATIONS. 1. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL 1 MAKE GRANTS WITHIN THE AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED TO APPROVED ORGANIZATIONS, 2 3 AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION, FOR THE PROVISION OF 4 SERVICES RELATING TO AUTISM SCREENING, DETECTION AND MAPPING AS PART OF 5 THIS PROGRAM. SUCH SERVICES SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO: 6

(A) PROMOTION AND PROVISION OF DETECTION OF AUTISM;

7 PROVISION OF COUNSELING AND INFORMATION ON TREATMENT OPTIONS AND (B) 8 REFERRAL FOR APPROPRIATE MEDICAL TREATMENT;

9 (C) DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND TO HEALTH 10 PROFESSIONALS CONCERNING AUTISM, THE BENEFITS OF DETECTION AND CARE TREATMENT, AND THE AVAILABILITY OF AUTISM SERVICES; 11

12 (D) IDENTIFICATION OF LOCAL AUTISM SCREENING SERVICES WITHIN THE APPROVED ORGANIZATION'S REGION; 13

14 (E) PROVISION OF INFORMATION, COUNSELING AND REFERRAL SERVICES TO 15 INDIVIDUALS DIAGNOSED WITH AUTISM; AND

16 (F) MAPPING OF THE FREQUENCY OF THE OCCURRENCE OF AUTISM IN VARIOUS 17 LOCATIONS OF THE STATE.

FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "APPROVED ORGANIZATION" SHALL 18 2. 19 MEAN AN ORGANIZATION APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER, TO PROVIDE SERVICES UNDER THIS SECTION. SUCH ORGANIZATIONS SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED 20 21 TO, THE FOLLOWING:

(A) A HOSPITAL LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE TWENTY-EIGHT OF THIS CHAPTER;

23 HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION LICENSED UNDER ARTICLE (B) А 24 FORTY-THREE OF THE INSURANCE LAW OR CERTIFIED UNDER ARTICLE FORTY-FOUR 25 OF THIS CHAPTER;

(C) AN ORGANIZATION WITH PROGRAM EXPERTISE IN AUTISM RELATED ISSUES;

(D) A COUNTY OR CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT; OR

(E) ANY COMBINATION OF THE ABOVE.

29 THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DEVELOP STANDARDS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF 3. AUTISM DETECTION, EDUCATION AND MAPPING PROGRAMS BY APPROVED ORGANIZA-30 TIONS WHICH SHALL ENSURE THE FOLLOWING: 31

32 (A) INTEGRATION OF THE APPROVED ORGANIZATION WITH EXISTING HEALTH CARE 33 PROVIDERS; 34

(B) MAXIMIZING THIRD PARTY REIMBURSEMENT;

35 (C) PROVIDING DATA COLLECTION FOR MAPPING OF THE OCCURRENCE OF AUTISM IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS OF THE STATE. 36

37 S 2418-C. ANNUAL REPORT. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL SUBMIT ON OR BEFORE 38 DECEMBER FIRST, AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE, 39 CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF THE AUTISM DETECTION, EDUCATION AND MAPPING 40 PROGRAM. COMMENCING IN TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN, SUCH REPORTS SHALL INCLUDE THE EXPERIENCE OF THE PROGRAM IN PROVIDING DETECTION, 41 EDUCATION AND THE FREQUENCY OF THE OCCURRENCE OF AUTISM IN VARIOUS 42 MAPPING OF 43 LOCATIONS AROUND THE STATE. APPROVED ORGANIZATIONS SHALL PROVIDE SUCH 44 DATA AND ASSESSMENT AS THE COMMISSIONER MAY REQUIRE FOR SUCH REPORT. 45 SUCH REPORT SHALL ALSO INCLUDE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL ACTION TO RESPOND TO THE HIGH INCIDENCE OF AUTISM IN THIS STATE. 46

S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall 47 have become a law; provided that the commissioner of health is imme-diately authorized and directed to promulgate, amend and/or repeal any 48 49 50 rule and regulation necessary to implement the provisions of this act on such effective date. 51