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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring a multi-cultural curriculum

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 804-e
2 to read as follows:
3 S 804-E. MULTI-CULTURAL CURRICULUM. 1. ALL SCHOOLS INCLUDING ELEMENTA-
4 RY SCHOOLS, JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS SHALL BE
5 REQUIRED TO TEACH A MULTI-CULTURAL CURRICULUM WHICH SHALL BE SET OUT IN
6 RULES AND REGULATIONS TO BE PROMULGATED BY THE COMMISSIONER.
7 2. IN FORMULATING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR A MULTI-CULTURAL
8 CURRICULUM THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ALLOW FOR AND SHALL IMPLEMENT RULES
9 AND REGULATIONS WHICH CONSIDER THE DIFFERENCES IN THE CULTURAL COMPOSI-
10 TION OF EACH SCHOOL AND THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ALLOW AND DIRECT SCHOOLS
11 TO DO RESEARCH AND OBSERVATION ON THEIR OWN STUDENT BODY IN ORDER TO
12 PARTICULARIZE MULTI-CULTURAL EDUCATION TO FIT SUCH EDUCATION TO SUCH
13 SCHOOL.
14 3. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ALSO PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH
15 SHALL SET OUT A TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM IN ORDER TO TRAIN TEACHERS AND
16 EDUCATORS TO TEACH AND INTERACT WITH STUDENTS OF DIFFERENT CULTURAL AND
17 ETHNIC BACKGROUNDS.
18 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of September next
19 succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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