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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the development of a nutrition and fitness website by the department of health

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 201 of the public health law is amended by adding a new paragraph (t) to read as follows:

(T) DEVELOP, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, THE YORK STATE PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION AND ANY OTHER SCHOOL ORGANIZATION 5 THE DEPARTMENT DEEMS RELEVANT, A NUTRITION AND FITNESS WEBSITE TO PROVIDE DAY CARE PROVIDERS AND PARENTS WITH INFORMATION AVAILABLE 7 FIGHT CHILDHOOD OBESITY INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PORTION SIZES AND THE RECOMMENDED NUMBER OF SERVINGS FOR THE DIFFERENT FOOD GROUPS PER 9 DAY. ADDITIONALLY, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION SHALL BE PROVIDED 10 WEBSITE: NUTRITIONAL GUIDELINES (AS FOUND ON THE UNITED STATES 11 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEBSITE); SAMPLE MENUS TO OFFER BASED ON THE NUTRITIONAL GUIDELINES, AS WELL AS ALTERNATIVE 12 SUGGESTIONS MENUS FOR CHILDREN WITH ALLERGIES OR HEALTH PROBLEMS; 13 EXAMPLES OF 14 APPROPRIATE PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES; AND UPDATED INFORMATION REGARDING 15 NUTRITION AND OBESITY ISSUES. ALL SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR FREE TO THE PUBLIC, AND SHALL BE LINKED TO THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE. 16 IN ADDITION, THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SHALL 17 CHILD DAY CARE LICENSE APPLICANT OR RE-APPLICANT AWARE OF THE AVAILABIL-18

19 ITY OF SUCH INFORMATION ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE BY PROVIDING A LINK 20 TO SUCH INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES'

21 WEBSITE AS WELL AS PROVIDING AN INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE OR A CLAUSE IN

22 THE APPLICATION ITSELF;

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

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S 2. The office of children and family services is hereby authorized to promulgate any rule or regulation necessary to implement the requirements set forth within the provisions of this act.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.