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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to professional education in the area of elderly abuse

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

1     Section 1. Paragraphs b and c of subdivision 3 of section 6507 of the  
2     education law, as added by chapter 987 of the laws of 1971, are amended  
3     and a new paragraph d is added to read as follows:  
4     b. Review qualifications in connection with licensing requirements;  
5     [and]  
6     c. Provide for licensing examinations and reexaminations[.]; AND  
7     D. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL  
8     ESTABLISH STANDARDS REQUIRING THAT ALL PERSONS APPLYING, ON OR AFTER  
9     JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TEN, INITIALLY, OR FOR THE RENEWAL OF, A  
10    LICENSE, REGISTRATION OR LIMITED PERMIT TO BE A PHYSICIAN, CHIROPRACTOR,  
11    DENTIST, REGISTERED NURSE, PODIATRIST, OPTOMETRIST, PSYCHIATRIST,  
12    PSYCHOLOGIST OR DENTAL HYGIENIST SHALL, IN ADDITION TO ALL THE OTHER  
13    LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION OR PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, HAVE COMPLETED TWO  
14    HOURS OF COURSEWORK OR TRAINING REGARDING THE IDENTIFICATION AND REPORT-  
15    ING OF ELDERLY ABUSE AND MALTREATMENT. THE COURSEWORK OR TRAINING SHALL  
16    BE OBTAINED FROM AN INSTITUTION OR PROVIDER WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY  
17    THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SUCH COURSEWORK OR TRAINING. THE COURSEWORK OR  
18    TRAINING SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING THE PHYSICAL AND BEHAVIORAL  
19    INDICATORS OF ELDERLY ABUSE AND MALTREATMENT AND SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT  
20    BE LIMITED TO, WHEN AND HOW A REPORT OF ELDERLY ABUSE MUST BE MADE, WHAT  
21    OTHER ACTIONS THE REPORTER IS MANDATED OR AUTHORIZED TO TAKE, THE LEGAL  
22    PROTECTIONS AFFORDED REPORTERS, AND THE CONSEQUENCES, IF ANY, FOR FAIL-  
23    ING TO REPORT. EACH APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT WITH DOCUMEN-  
24    TATION SHOWING THAT HE OR SHE HAS COMPLETED THE REQUIRED TRAINING. THE  
25    DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE ELDERLY ABUSE AND

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

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1 MALTREATMENT TRAINING REQUIREMENTS TO ANY APPLICANT WHO REQUESTS SUCH AN  
2 EXEMPTION AND WHO SHOWS, TO THE DEPARTMENT'S SATISFACTION, THAT THERE  
3 WOULD BE NO NEED BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF HIS OR HER PRACTICE FOR HIM OR  
4 HER TO COMPLETE SUCH TRAINING.

5 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after  
6 it shall have become a law.