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I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sen. LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to requiring private hospital security officers to receive forty hours of comprehensive training and authorizing the commissioner of labor to develop such training program

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

1 Section 1. The labor law is amended by adding a new section 27-c to
2 read as follows:
3 S 27-C. SAFETY AND HEALTH OF PRIVATE HOSPITAL SECURITY OFFICERS. 1.
4 TRAINING. ANY EMPLOYEE WORKING IN A PRIVATE HOSPITAL AS A SECURITY OFFI-
5 CER AND WHOSE DUTIES INCLUDE, UNDER ORDERS OF THE APPROPRIATE OFFICER,
6 TO PRESERVE THE PEACE AND ORDER IN SUCH HOSPITAL, TO PROTECT THE
7 GROUNDS, BUILDINGS AND PATIENTS IN SUCH HOSPITAL AND TO WATCH, RESTRAIN
8 OR TRANSPORT PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS SHALL RECEIVE FORTY HOURS OF COMPRE-
9 HENSIVE TRAINING.
10 2. STANDARDS. A. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL CAUSE TO BE DEVELOPED AND
11 IMPLEMENTED A COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR SUCH SECURITY OFFICERS.
12 THE TRAINING PROGRAM IS TO BE PROVIDED TO PERSONS HIRED AS SECURITY
13 OFFICERS WITHIN FIVE WEEKS AFTER SUCH HIRING, AND SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT
14 BE LIMITED TO FORTY HOURS OF TRAINING IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:
15 (1) FIRE PREVENTION;
16 (2) BASIC CRIMINAL LAW;
17 (3) FIRST AID AND CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION;
18 (4) CONDUCTING INVESTIGATIONS;
19 (5) RUDIMENTARY POLICE WORK, INCLUDING LAWFUL USE OF FORCE;
20 (6) PROPER USE OF RESTRAINT; AND
21 (7) ANY OTHER TRAINING DEEMED NECESSARY TO AUGMENT SUCH PERSON'S
22 SKILLS IN PROVIDING NECESSARY SAFETY AND SECURITY SERVICES FOR THE
23 FACILITY.

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

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1 B. SUCH TRAINING SHALL BE PROVIDED AT LEAST ANNUALLY THEREAFTER. THE
2 ANNUAL TRAINING SHALL BE PROVIDED WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE PREVIOUS TRAIN-
3 ING AND SHALL CONSIST OF SIXTEEN HOURS OF ADDITIONAL TRAINING IN THE
4 ENUMERATED AREAS ESTABLISHED IN PARAGRAPH A OF THIS SUBDIVISION.

5 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the compre-
6 hensive training requirements set forth in subdivision 1 of section 27-c
7 of the labor law, as added by section one of this act, have been
8 fulfilled, complied with, or are in effect as of 180 days of the effec-
9 tive date of this act.