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Introduced by M. of A. CYMBROWITZ -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. ARROYO, CRESPO, STEVENSON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to the disposal of drugs, drug disposal sites and home pharmaceutical collection

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

Section 1. Section 19.09 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new subdivision (i) to read as follows:

(I) (1) THE OFFICE, IN COOPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION, SHALL POST ON THE OFFICE WEBSITE INFORMATION WHICH INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO THE REQUIRED STEPS AND GUIDELINES FOR ANY MUNICIPALITY, PHARMACY, LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, OR COMMUNITY GROUP TO CONDUCT A HOUSEHOLD PHARMACEUTICAL COLLECTION EVENT.

(2) PURSUANT TO SECTION 27-2703 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONVERSATION LAW, AS ADDED BY CHAPTER SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE OF THE LAWS OF TWO THOUSAND EIGHT, THE COMMISSIONER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT MAY ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM ON THE PROPER DISPOSAL OF DRUGS AND DRUG DISPOSAL SITES. THE OFFICE SHALL DISSEMINATE SUCH INFORMATION BY ANY MEANS DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSIONER.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is authorized to be made on or before such date.

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

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