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I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sen. McDONALD -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to enacting the "skills for direct support professional jobs for the developmentally disabled act"

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

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "skills for direct support professional jobs for the developmentally disabled act".

S 2. The mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new section 13.41 to read as follows:

S 13.41 REPORT ON WORKFORCE NEEDS AND CREDENTIAL PRODUCTION.

1. TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE WITHIN AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF DATA CURRENTLY COLLECTED BY AND ACCESSIBLE TO THE OFFICE, THE OFFICE, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND ANY OTHER ENTITY THE OFFICE DEEMS APPROPRIATE, SHALL PRODUCE A REPORT REGARDING STATE WORKFORCE NEED PROJECTIONS AND CREDENTIAL PRODUCTION. THE REPORT SHALL:

(A) INDICATE THE STATE'S ANTICIPATED WORKFORCE NEEDS AND THE NUMBER OF DEGREES, CERTIFICATES, AND OTHER CREDENTIALS THAT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS, LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND AREA VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS EXPECT TO ISSUE;

(B) TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY SOURCES EXTERNAL TO THE DEPARTMENT, INDICATE THE STATE'S ANTICIPATED NUMBER OF DEGREES, CERTIFICATES, AND OTHER CREDENTIALS THAT HIGH SCHOOL VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS, APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS, AND OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE WORKFORCE TRAINING PROGRAMS EXPECT TO ISSUE;

(C) IDENTIFY ANY WORKFORCE NEEDS, INCLUDING AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION WITHIN A PARTICULAR VOCATION, THAT MAY NOT BE MET BY THE EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS;

(D) IDENTIFY INSTITUTIONS, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, THAT MAY MEET PROJECTED WORKFORCE NEEDS; AND

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

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(E) PROMULGATE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A MASTER PLAN FOR A COURSE OF STUDYING OFFERING.

2. THE OFFICE, BY JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN, SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THE REPORT TO THE MENTAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEE, AND TO THE GOVERNOR.

3. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SEND THE REPORT TO EVERY PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY GOVERNING BOARD IN THE STATE AND SHALL WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE THE REPORT TO THE STATE'S PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS, NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS AND NEW YORK PRIVATE ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.