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Introduced by M. of A. CAHILL, GUNTHER, BENEDETTO, COLTON, ENGLEBRIGHT,  
ORTIZ, PEOPLES-STOKES, MARKEY, MILLMAN, GIBSON -- Multi-Sponsored by  
-- M. of A. COOK, FARRELL, HOOPER, PERRY, RIVERA, WEISENBERG -- read  
once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to public school nurse  
staffing determinations in consultation with a nursing association

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 901 of the education law, as  
2     amended by section 57 of part A-1 of chapter 58 of the laws of 2006, is  
3     amended to read as follows:  
4     1. School health services, as defined in subdivision two of this  
5     section, shall be provided by each school district for all students  
6     attending the public schools in this state, [except in the city school  
7     district of the city of New York,] as provided in this article. School  
8     health services shall include the services of a registered professional  
9     nurse[, if one is employed,] and shall also include such services as may  
10    be rendered as provided in this article in examining students for the  
11    existence of disease or disability and in testing the eyes and ears of  
12    such students.  
13    S 2. Paragraph b of subdivision 2 of section 902 of the education law,  
14    as amended by chapter 501 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as  
15    follows:  
16    b. Any such board or trustees [may] OF EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD  
17    OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES SHALL employ [one or more school  
18    nurses, who shall be registered professional nurses, as well as other  
19    health professionals, as may be required.] A MINIMUM OF ONE SCHOOL  
20    NURSE, WHO SHALL BE A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE, IN EACH SCHOOL  
21    BUILDING. ANY SUCH BOARD OR TRUSTEES OF EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD  
22    OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES MAY EMPLOY OTHER HEALTH PROFES-

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

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1 SIONALS, AS MAY BE REQUIRED. Such registered professional nurses and  
2 other health professionals shall aid the director of school health  
3 services of the district and shall perform such duties, including health  
4 instruction for the benefit of the public schools as may be prescribed  
5 by such board or trustees OR BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES,  
6 in compliance with each such health professional's practice act.  
7 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.