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Introduced by M. of A. GUNTHER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to a program for the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder

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

1     Section 1. Section 7.17 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding  
2     a new subdivision (g) to read as follows:  
3     (G) THE COMMISSIONER, IN COOPERATION WITH ANY OTHER STATE AGENCY OR  
4     RELEVANT STAKEHOLDER SHALL DEVELOP A TRAINING PROGRAM TO BE POSTED ON  
5     THE OFFICE'S WEBSITE FOR THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF POST-TRAUMATIC  
6     STRESS DISORDER FOR MILITARY VETERANS. THE PROGRAM SHALL INCLUDE A  
7     COMPONENT ON MILITARY CULTURE COMPETENCY AND SHALL BE INTENDED FOR THE  
8     TRAINING OF MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS AND MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS.  
9     CERTIFICATION OF THE COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAM MAY BE PROVIDED TO  
10    PARTICIPANTS THROUGH THE OFFICE.  
11    S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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