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Introduced by Sen. PARKER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing a geometry and algebra II/trigonometry regents prep course for New York school districts that have less than sixty-five percent of their students passing the geometry and algebra II/trigonometry regents

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

1 Section 1. Legislative findings. The legislature hereby finds that it  
2 is necessary to increase the percentage of students passing the geometry  
3 and algebra II/trigonometry regents in New York school districts. The  
4 geometry and algebra II/trigonometry regents examination for high school  
5 students is one of five major regents examinations required for high  
6 school students to obtain a general high school diploma. The legislature  
7 further finds that over twenty counties have averaged less than sixty-  
8 five percent of their students passing the geometry and algebra  
9 II/trigonometry regents examination. The legislature therefore enacts  
10 this legislation establishing a geometry and algebra II/trigonometry  
11 regents prep course to prepare students for the mathematics regents by  
12 reviewing previous regents exams and materials.

13 S 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 817 to read  
14 as follows:

15 S 817. *GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRA II/TRIGONOMETRY REGENTS PREP COURSE.* 1.  
16 THE COMMISSIONER, IN COOPERATION WITH THE BOARD OF REGENTS, IS AUTHOR-  
17 IZED AND DIRECTED TO ESTABLISH AND DEVELOP A PROGRAM FOR THE PREPARATION  
18 OF THE GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRA II/TRIGONOMETRY REGENTS EXAMINATION. SUCH  
19 PROGRAM MAY BE INSTITUTED BY ANY SCHOOL DISTRICT SEEKING TO PROVIDE ITS

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

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1 SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE A PASSING GRADE  
2 ON THE GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRA II/TRIGONOMETRY REGENTS EXAMINATION.

3 2. THE BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL ESTABLISH CRITERIA TO BE USED BY SCHOOL  
4 DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN SUCH PROGRAM, INCLUDING THE REVIEW AND TEST-  
5 ING OF STUDENTS ON PREVIOUS GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRA II/TRIGONOMETRY REGENTS  
6 EXAMINATION MATERIALS.

7 S 3. This act shall take effect September 1, 2016; provided, however,  
8 that any rules or regulations necessary to implement the provisions of  
9 this act shall be promulgated on or before such date.