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Introduced by M. of A. JAFFEE -- read once and referred to the Committee
on Health

AN ACT in relation to directing the commissioner of health to provide in
publication information concerning breast density

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

1 Section 1. As the health concerns that dense breasts increase the
2 likelihood that breast cancer will be missed by mammography, thus
3 affecting the health of an individual, the commissioner of health, shall
4 provide and publish, in electronic or other format, educational materi-
5 als to physicians who refer patients for mammography, regarding screen-
6 ing, assessment, and diagnosis of dense breasts. Such educational mate-
7 rials may include, but shall not be limited to, information regarding
8 screening, screening techniques, the challenges of screening dense
9 breasts, how dense breasts affect one's health, a referral list for
10 supplemental screening, a list of educational websites regarding dense
11 breasts, and literature regarding risk factors. Such educational materi-
12 als shall be made available to health care providers through the offi-
13 cial website of the department of health and by any other means deemed
14 appropriate by the commissioner of health.
15 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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