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2015-2016 Regular Sessions

I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. PEOPLES-STOKES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations -- recommitted to the Committee on Governmental Operations in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to enacting the "disaster preparedness week and awareness campaign act of 2016"

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 "disaster preparedness week and awareness campaign act of 2016."

S 2. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 29-l to read as follows:

S 29-L. DISASTER PREPAREDNESS WEEK. 1. THE THIRD FULL WEEK OF SEPTEMBER IN EACH YEAR SHALL BE DESIGNATED AND IS HEREBY KNOWN AS DISASTER PREPAREDNESS WEEK IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

2. THE COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP A DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANY PRIVATE OR PUBLIC NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS THAT THE DIRECTOR MAY CHOOSE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, THE ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, THE NEW YORK STATE CONFERENCE OF MAYORS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS AND THE NEW YORK STATE SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION.

3. DURING THE THIRD FULL WEEK OF SEPTEMBER IN EACH YEAR, SUCH AWARENESS CAMPAIGN SHALL MAKE PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS UTILIZING TELEVISION, RADIO, INTERNET AND OTHER MEDIA RESOURCES TO ASSIST CITIZENS IN BECOMING BETTER PREPARED FOR NATURAL OR MAN-MADE DISASTERS.

S 3. Paragraph i of subdivision 3 of section 21 of the executive law, as amended by section 2 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

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

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i. submit to the governor, the legislature and the chief judge of the state by March thirty-first of each year an annual report which shall include but need not be limited to:

(1) a summary of commission and state agency activities for the year and plans for the ensuing year with respect to the duties and responsibilities of the commission;

(2) recommendations on ways to improve state and local capability to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters;

(3) the status of the state and local plans for disaster preparedness and response, including the name of any locality which has failed or refused to develop and implement its own disaster preparedness plan and program; and the extent to which all forms of local emergency response assets have been included, and accounted for in planning and preparation for disaster preparedness and response; [and]

(4) THE ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN PREPARATION FOR THE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS WEEK AWARENESS CAMPAIGN AND AN OVERVIEW OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S DISASTER PREPAREDNESS WEEK; AND

S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.