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AN ACT to amend the state administrative procedure act, in relation to minimum standards for online posting of rulemaking information

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 7 of section 202 of the state administrative  
2 procedure act is amended by adding a new paragraph (d) to read as  
3 follows:

4 (D) WHEN A NOTICE PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION REFERS TO ANY  
5 RULE, TEXT OR OTHER INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN POSTED ON A WEBSITE MAIN-  
6 TAINED BY A STATE ENTITY IN LIEU OF PUBLICATION:

7 (I) THE TEXT OR INFORMATION SHALL BE POSTED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE  
8 THE NOTICE IS PUBLISHED IN THE STATE REGISTER, AND TO THE EXTENT PRACTI-  
9 CABLE SHALL BE MAINTAINED ON SUCH WEBSITE DURING THE ENTIRE PERIOD FOR  
10 WHICH SUCH NOTICE IS EFFECTIVE; AND

11 (II) THE NOTICE SHALL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO ENABLE THE  
12 PUBLIC TO ACCESS SUCH INFORMATION WITHOUT EXTENSIVE SEARCHING, AND SHALL  
13 CONFORM TO ANY GUIDANCE PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE PURSUANT TO  
14 SUBDIVISION NINE OF THIS SECTION.

15 S 2. Subparagraphs (iii) and (iv) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 9 of  
16 section 202 of the state administrative procedure act, as amended by  
17 chapter 230 of the laws of 2006, are amended and a new paragraph (v) is  
18 added to read as follows:

19 (iii) reject those notices which are not in substantial compliance  
20 with the provisions of this section, give prompt notice of such  
21 rejection to the agency, and advise such agency on the corrective action  
22 required; [and]

23 (iv) publish all notices and statements, required by this section and  
24 section two hundred one-a of this chapter, in the state register as soon  
25 as practicable[.]; AND

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

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1 (V) PRESCRIBED GUIDANCE, DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF  
2 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, FOR ONLINE POSTING OF TEXT AND INFORMA-  
3 TION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.  
4 S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-  
5 ing the date upon which it shall have become law, and shall apply to all  
6 notices published on or after such date.