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AN ACT to amend the county law, in relation to training requirements for coroners and coroner's deputies

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

1     Section 1. The county law is amended by adding a new section 679 to  
2     read as follows:  
3     S 679. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR CORONERS AND CORONER'S DEPUTIES. EACH  
4     CORONER AND CORONER'S DEPUTY, WHETHER ELECTED OR APPOINTED PURSUANT TO  
5     SECTION FOUR HUNDRED OF THIS CHAPTER, SHALL ATTEND AND SUCCESSFULLY  
6     COMPLETE STATE-APPROVED COURSES IN MEDICAL-LEGAL INVESTIGATION. THE COST  
7     OF SUCH COURSES SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CORONER OR CORONER'S  
8     DEPUTY, PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT THE COUNTY MAY, AT ITS DISCRETION, REIM-  
9     BURSE THE CORONER OR CORONER'S DEPUTY FOR ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COST  
10    OF SUCH COURSES. SUCH COURSES SHALL BE PRESCRIBED, CERTIFIED AND CREDIT-  
11    ED PURSUANT TO RULES PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, IN CONSUL-  
12    TATION WITH THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES, WITH THE COMMIS-  
13    SIONER OF HEALTH, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STATE POLICE, THE COMMISSIONER  
14    OF EDUCATION, AND OTHER INTERESTED PROFESSIONAL GROUPS INCLUDING, BUT  
15    NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CORONERS AND  
16    MEDICAL EXAMINERS. SUCH RULES SHALL ALSO ESTABLISH THE FREQUENCY AND  
17    DURATION FOR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ANY SUCH COURSES BY A CORONER OR  
18    CORONER'S DEPUTY AND MAY PRESCRIBE HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF TRAINING FOR ANY  
19    NEWLY ELECTED OR APPOINTED CORONER OR CORONER'S DEPUTY.  
20    S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
21    it shall have become a law; provided, however, that the secretary of  
22    state is authorized and directed to promulgate any rules and regulations  
23    necessary to implement the provisions of this act on its effective date  
24    on or before such date.

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

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