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I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. ORTIZ, PEOPLES-STOKES, AUBRY, TITONE -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. CLARK, COLTON, HOOPER, ROBINSON, WRIGHT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Children and Families

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to creating a domestic abuse hotline for teens; and to amend the education law, in relation to requiring a school assembly on domestic abuse

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

1 Section 1. Section 459-h of the social services law, as renumbered by
2 chapter 428 of the laws of 2009, is renumbered section 459-i and a new
3 section 459-h is added to read as follows:
4 S 459-H. DOMESTIC ABUSE HOTLINE FOR TEENS. THE COMMISSIONER OF THE
5 OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SHALL ESTABLISH A TWENTY-FOUR
6 HOUR DOMESTIC ABUSE HOTLINE FOR TEENS. THE HOTLINE SHALL BE A TOLL-FREE
7 NUMBER. THE LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICT SHALL TAKE REASONABLE EFFORTS
8 TO INFORM TEENS LIVING IN THEIR DISTRICT OF THE AVAILABILITY OF THE
9 HOTLINE.
10 S 2. Section 3234 of the education law, as renumbered by chapter 975
11 of the laws of 1966, is renumbered section 3235 and a new section 3234
12 is added to read as follows:
13 S 3234. MANDATORY DOMESTIC ABUSE ASSEMBLY. EVERY HIGH SCHOOL WITHIN
14 THIS STATE SHALL ANNUALLY CONDUCT AN ASSEMBLY ON THE DANGERS OF DOMESTIC
15 ABUSE. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ESTABLISH THE GUIDELINES AND CONTENT FOR
16 THE ASSEMBLY. THE ASSEMBLY SHALL ALSO SUPPLY THE STUDENTS WITH THE
17 TOLL-FREE NUMBER FOR THE DOMESTIC ABUSE HOTLINE FOR TEENS.
18 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that
19 section two of this act shall apply to any school year commencing at
20 least 30 days after such effective date.

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

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