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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to creating a collegiate emergency medical services pilot program

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

1     Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new article 129-C  
2     to read as follows:

3     ARTICLE 129-C

4                     COLLEGIATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM

5     SECTION 6450. COLLEGIATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM.

6     S 6450. COLLEGIATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM. 1.  
7     NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF ANY GENERAL, SPECIAL OR LOCAL LAW TO  
8     THE CONTRARY, AND SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION, THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY  
9     AUTHORIZED TO ESTABLISH A COLLEGIATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PILOT  
10    PROGRAM AT ANY QUALIFIED INDEPENDENT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
11    WHICH MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, UPON APPLICATION BY SUCH  
12    INSTITUTION AND WITHIN LIMITS OF AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED.

13    2. A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTION" SHALL MEAN ANY COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY  
14    CHARTERED BY THE REGENTS OR INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL ACT OF THE LEGISLA-  
15    TURE THAT MAINTAINS A CAMPUS IN NEW YORK; AND WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN  
16    ANY CITY, TOWN, VILLAGE OR FIRE DISTRICT IN WHICH THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF  
17    TAX EXEMPT PROPERTY REPRESENTS MORE THAN THIRTY-FIVE PERCENT, BY VALUE,  
18    OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF PROPERTY IN SUCH CITY, TOWN, VILLAGE, OR FIRE  
19    DISTRICT.

20    3. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ESTABLISH A COLLEGIATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
21    SERVICE PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENABLING COLLEGE CAMPUSES AND  
22    UNIVERSITIES TO CONSTRUCT INDEPENDENT EMERGENCY SERVICES TO OFFSET THE  
23    DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT THAT CAMPUSES MAY HAVE ON LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE.  
24    THE PROGRAM SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, THE PROVISION OF BASIC  
25    EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND VISITORS OF THE  
26    CAMPUS, MUTUAL AID TO LOCAL FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, AND TRAINING  
27    FOR STUDENTS OF UNIVERSITIES IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE. THE PROGRAM SHALL

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

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1 COORDINATE WITH LOCAL FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES IN ORDER TO ENSURE  
2 CONTINUITY OF SERVICE AND APPROPRIATE PROVISION OF CARE.

3 4. WITHIN AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ESTABLISH A  
4 COLLEGIATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM AT A QUALIFIED  
5 INSTITUTION INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, MONIES ALLOCATED FOR TRAIN-  
6 ING, EQUIPMENT, AND ADMINISTRATION. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL MAKE GRANTS  
7 OF NO LESS THAN SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS PER QUALIFIED INSTITUTION IN THE  
8 FIRST YEAR OF THE OPERATION OF THE PROGRAM. EACH QUALIFIED INSTITUTION  
9 SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE BY FEBRUARY  
10 FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED  
11 TO, DOCUMENTATION OF PARTICIPATION RATES, ANY IMPEDIMENTS TO IMPLEMENTA-  
12 TION ENCOUNTERED, STEPS TAKEN TO ESTABLISH INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT  
13 PROTOCOLS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENSURE SUSTAINABILITY OF THE PROGRAM.  
14 SUCH QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONS SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FUNDING UNDER  
15 THIS SECTION ANNUALLY FOR UP TO FIVE YEARS.

16 5. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL PROHIBIT A QUALIFIED INSTITUTION FROM  
17 RECEIVING NON-STATE SOURCES OF FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE COLLEGIATE EMER-  
18 GENCY SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM.

19 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.