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Introduced by M. of A. LENTOL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the public health law and the executive law, in relation to the provision of hazardous materials emergency response training to emergency medical services personnel employed by a fire department operating within a city with a population of more than one million

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section
2 3005-c to read as follows:

3 § 3005-c. Hazardous materials emergency response training. 1. Begin-
4 ning January first, two thousand nineteen, the department, in cooper-
5 ation with the state fire administrator, shall make available hazardous
6 materials emergency response training, pursuant to the program estab-
7 lished in section one hundred fifty-six-a of the executive law, for all
8 emergency medical services personnel employed by a fire department oper-
9 ating within a city of one million or more.

10 2. The commissioner shall inform all emergency medical service person-
11 nel covered by subdivision one of this section, of the implementation
12 and availability of the hazardous materials emergency response training
13 program.

14 3. Funding for the training required by this section shall be provided
15 by the department pursuant to section ninety-seven-q of the state
16 finance law.

17 § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 156-a of the executive law, as amended
18 by section 3 of part A of chapter 101 of the laws of 2013, is amended to
19 read as follows:

20 1. (a) The state fire administrator shall, in consultation with the
21 advisory council for fire prevention and control, establish a special-
22 ized hazardous materials emergency response training program for indi-
23 viduals responsible for providing emergency response recovery following

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

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1 incidents involving hazardous materials as such term is defined in regu-
2 lations promulgated by the commissioner of transportation pursuant to
3 section fourteen-f of the transportation law. The state fire adminis-
4 trator shall inform all fire companies, municipal corporations and
5 districts, including agencies and departments thereof and all firefight-
6 ers, both paid and volunteer, and related officers and employees and
7 police officers of the implementation and availability of the hazardous
8 materials emergency response training program and shall, subject to the
9 availability of an appropriation, conduct such training with sufficient
10 frequency to assure adequate response to incidents involving hazardous
11 materials and protection of responders in all geographic areas of the
12 state.

13 (b) The state fire administrator shall cooperate with the commissioner
14 of health to establish the specialized hazardous materials emergency
15 response training program for emergency medical services personnel
16 provided for in section three thousand five-c of the public health law.

17 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.