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

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to enacting the "disaster preparedness week and awareness campaign act of 2017"

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

1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "disaster
2 preparedness week and awareness campaign act of 2017."

3 § 2. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 29-l to read
4 as follows:

5 § 29-l. Disaster preparedness week. 1. The third full week of Septem-
6 ber in each year shall be designated and is hereby known as disaster
7 preparedness week in the state of New York.

8 2. The commission shall develop a disaster preparedness awareness
9 campaign in conjunction with any private or public nonprofit organiza-
10 tions and associations that the director may choose, including but not
11 limited to the New York state association of counties, the association
12 of towns of the state of New York, the New York state conference of
13 mayors and municipal officials and the New York state school boards
14 association.

15 3. During the third full week of September in each year, such aware-
16 ness campaign shall make public service announcements utilizing tele-
17 vision, radio, internet and other media resources to assist citizens in
18 becoming better prepared for natural or man-made disasters.

19 § 3. Paragraph i of subdivision 3 of section 21 of the executive law,
20 as amended by section 2 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 i. submit to the governor, the legislature and the chief judge of the
23 state by March thirty-first of each year an annual report which shall
24 include but need not be limited to:

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

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1 (1) a summary of commission and state agency activities for the year
2 and plans for the ensuing year with respect to the duties and responsi-
3 bilities of the commission;

4 (2) recommendations on ways to improve state and local capability to
5 prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters;

6 (3) the status of the state and local plans for disaster preparedness
7 and response, including the name of any locality which has failed or
8 refused to develop and implement its own disaster preparedness plan and
9 program; and the extent to which all forms of local emergency response
10 assets have been included, and accounted for in planning and preparation
11 for disaster preparedness and response; ~~and~~

12 (4) the activities undertaken in preparation for the disaster
13 preparedness week awareness campaign and an overview of the activities
14 of the previous year's disaster preparedness week; and

15 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.