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January 9, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. GUNTHER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to a program for the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder

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

- Section 1. Section 7.17 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new subdivision (g) to read as follows:
- 3 (g) The commissioner, in cooperation with any other state agency or
  4 relevant stakeholder shall develop a training program to be posted on
  5 the office's website for the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic
  6 stress disorder for military veterans. The program shall include a
- 7 component on military culture competency and shall be intended for the
- 8 training of mental health providers and mental health clinicians.
- 9 Certification of the completion of the program may be provided to
- 10 participants through the office.
- 11 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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