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Introduced by Sens. LAVALLE, GALLIVAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to notification requirements when a college plans to dissolve any athletic team

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6438-a to read as follows:

§ 6438-a. Intercollegiate athletic team dissolution. Each college shall develop a written policy regarding the dissolution of intercollegiate athletic teams that includes a protocol requiring written notice to student athletes if the college plans to dissolve any intercollegiate athletic team in the following academic year. Written notice shall be provided at least one year from the start of the academic year in which the intercollegiate athletics team will be dissolved. The protocol may consider factors such as the mission of the sports program, the educational outcomes of sports participation, history of success of the team, fan support, Title IX, donor impact, student-athlete diversity, financial viability/cost and the prevalence of local and regional competition.

§ 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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