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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

April 28, 2017

Introduced by Sen. LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to requiring annual radon testing of schools

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

1 Section 1. Section 16.11 of the mental hygiene law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision (g) to read as follows:

3 (g) The commissioner shall require annual radon testing of schools, as
4 defined in subdivision eleven of section 1.03 of this chapter. Such
5 testing shall be performed by a trained and certified, independent enti-
6 ty.

7 (1) Where radon levels exceed 4 pCi/L, corrective actions shall be
8 taken within thirty days by trained and certified specialists to
9 successfully reduce the radon level below 4 pCi/L.

10 (2) Where radon levels exceed 8 pCi/L, corrective action shall be
11 taken within fourteen days by trained and certified specialists to
12 successfully reduce the radon level below 4 pCi/L.

13 (3) Each school must post their annual test results online. Results
14 shall be posted prior to and following any actions taken to reduce radon
15 are completed. If no corrective actions are necessary, proof of such
16 shall be posted.

17 (4) A comprehensive report including the test results from all
18 schools, as defined in subdivision eleven of section 1.03 of this chap-
19 ter, shall be provided to the governor, the temporary president of the
20 senate, and the speaker of the assembly no later than the fifteenth of
21 January each year and shall be posted online by the same date.

22 § 2. Within 120 days of the effective date of this act, all schools,
23 as defined in subdivision 11 of section 1.03 of the mental hygiene law,
24 shall have had their first annual radon test completed.

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

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1 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.