

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

January 5, 2018

Introduced by Sen. ALCANTARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to the prevention of suicide; and to amend a chapter of the laws of 2017, amending the mental hygiene law relating to establishing the adolescent suicide prevention advisory council, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 5500-C and A. 7225-B, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; and repealing section 41.56 of the mental hygiene law relating thereto

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

1 Section 1. Section 41.56 of the mental hygiene law, as added by a  
2 chapter of the laws of 2017, amending the mental hygiene law relating to  
3 establishing the adolescent suicide prevention advisory council, as  
4 proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 5500-C and A. 7225-B, is  
5 REPEALED.

6 § 2. Section 7.07 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a  
7 new subdivision (g) to read as follows:

8 (g) The office of mental health shall have the responsibility for  
9 assuring the development of plans, programs, and services in the areas  
10 of research and prevention of suicide, to reduce suicidal behavior and  
11 suicide through consultation, training, implementation of evidence-based  
12 practices, and use of suicide surveillance data. Such plans, programs,  
13 and services shall consider the unique needs of differing demographic  
14 groups and the impact of gender, race and ethnicity, and cultural and  
15 language needs. Such plans, programs, and services shall be developed in  
16 cooperation with other agencies and departments of the state, local  
17 governments, community organizations and entities, or other organiza-  
18 tions and individuals.

19 § 3. Section 2 of a chapter of the laws of 2017, amending the mental  
20 hygiene law relating to establishing the adolescent suicide prevention  
21 advisory council, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 5500-C and  
22 A. 7225-B, is amended to read as follows:

23 § 2. This act shall take effect [~~on the sixtieth day after it shall~~  
24 ~~have become a law] immediately.~~

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

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1 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately, provided, however, that  
2 sections one and two of this act shall take effect on the same date and  
3 in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2017, amending the mental  
4 hygiene law relating to establishing the adolescent suicide prevention  
5 advisory council, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 5500-C and  
6 A. 7225-B, takes effect.