

STATE OF NEW YORK

875--A

2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 5, 2017

Introduced by Sen. ORTT -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the county law, in relation to training requirements for coroners and coroner's deputies

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

1 Section 1. The county law is amended by adding a new section 679 to
2 read as follows:

3 § 679. Training requirements for coroners and coroner's deputies. Each
4 coroner and coroner's deputy, whether elected or appointed pursuant to
5 section four hundred of this chapter, shall attend and successfully
6 complete state-approved courses in medical-legal investigation. The cost
7 of such courses shall be the responsibility of the coroner or coroner's
8 deputy, provided however that the county may, at its discretion, reim-
9 burse the coroner or coroner's deputy for all or a portion of the cost
10 of such courses. Such courses shall be prescribed, certified and credit-
11 ed pursuant to rules promulgated by the department of health, in consul-
12 tation with the department of state, the division of criminal justice
13 services, the superintendent of state police, the commissioner of educa-
14 tion, and other interested professional groups including, but not limit-
15 ed to, the New York state association of county coroners and medical
16 examiners. Such rules shall also establish the frequency and duration
17 for successful completion of any such courses by a coroner or coroner's
18 deputy and may prescribe heightened levels of training for any newly
19 elected or appointed coroner or coroner's deputy.

20 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
21 it shall have become a law; provided, however, that the secretary of
22 state is authorized and directed to promulgate any rules and regulations
23 necessary to implement the provisions of this act on its effective date
24 on or before such date.

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

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