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## IN ASSEMBLY

January 23, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. CURRAN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the creation of a peer to peer mentoring program

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

Section 1. Section 305 of the education law is amended by adding a new 2 subdivision 56 to read as follows:

56. The commissioner is authorized and directed to require all elemen-4 tary and secondary schools to create peer to peer mentoring programs 5 relating to the implications of drug abuse. Resources, information and 6 counseling related to drug and substance use must be provided to the mentoring programs by each school. Such resources, information and counseling may be provided by outside organizations and must be age-appropriate for school-age children.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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EXPLANATION--Matter in <a href="mailto:jtalics">italics</a> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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