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Introduced by Sens. DILAN, BROOKS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring the department of health to provide educational materials on the department's website concerning the state's public drinking water systems and to participate in the federal water watch program

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 9 of section 1112 of the public health law, as
2 added by section 1 of part M of chapter 57 of the laws of 2017, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 9. The commissioner shall work in consultation with the commissioner
5 of the department of environmental conservation to develop educational
6 materials, and may take into consideration recommendations of the drink-
7 ing water quality council established pursuant to section eleven hundred
8 thirteen of this title. Such educational materials shall be made avail-
9 able to the covered public water system and the general public , includ-
10 ing through a link conspicuously noted on the department's website,
11 relating to methodologies for reducing exposure to emerging contaminants
12 and potential actions that may be taken to mitigate or remediate emerg-
13 ing contaminants. Such link shall also include access to basic system
14 information, including system identification number, name and type;
15 department contacts; public notices; violations; and enforcement actions
16 taken by the state. The commissioner shall coordinate with the United
17 States environmental protection agency to ensure that the information
18 available may be accessed through the United States environmental
19 protection agency's "Drinking Water Watch" website. The commissioner
20 shall also provide the covered public water system with information

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

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1 relating to potential funding sources provided by the state and federal
2 government for mitigation or remedial activities, and to reduce the
3 exposure to emerging contaminants.

4 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
5 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.