

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

(Prefiled)

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Introduced by M. of A. L. ROSENTHAL, CRESPO, DAVILA, BARRON -- read once  
and referred to the Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to commissioning a  
statewide evaluation regarding the extent of gambling by New York  
state residents

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

1 Section 1. Section 19.09 of the mental hygiene law is amended by  
2 adding a new subdivision (k) to read as follows:

3 (k) The commissioner, in consultation with the New York state gaming  
4 commission, is authorized and directed to commission a statewide evalu-  
5 ation regarding the extent of gambling by New York state residents,  
6 including, but not limited to the lottery, horse racing, Native American  
7 casinos, internet gambling, sports betting, and poker. Such evaluation  
8 shall be delivered to the governor and legislature no later than Decem-  
9 ber first, two thousand twenty-three. The evaluation shall be prepared  
10 by an independent entity and selected through a request for proposal  
11 process. Such evaluation shall include:

12 (1) the percentage of New York residents participating in each gambl-  
13 ing activity by:

14 (a) age;

15 (b) race;

16 (c) income;

17 (d) education;

18 (e) sex; and

19 (f) any other demographic that would be relevant to the evaluation;  
20 and

21 (2) an estimate of the amount of money being wagered and lost by New  
22 York residents in each gambling activity.

23 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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