

STATE OF NEW YORK

8362--A

IN SENATE

May 19, 2020

Introduced by Sen. SERRANO -- 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

AN ACT in relation to requiring that COVID-19 contact tracers be representative of the cultural and linguistic diversity of the communities in which they serve to the greatest extent possible; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. The New York city department of health and mental hygiene
2 and any other New York city agency, and any entity within the New York
3 city health and hospitals corporation that hires persons after the
4 effective date of this act to perform contact tracing pertaining to
5 COVID-19 infections within the city of New York, shall, to the greatest
6 extent possible, hire contact tracers who are representative of the
7 cultural and linguistic diversity of the communities in which they
8 serve.

9 § 2. The New York city department of health and mental hygiene, and
10 the New York city health and hospitals corporation shall annually submit
11 a report on contact tracer worker diversity within the city of New York
12 including outreach efforts to recruit a diverse workforce to the gover-
13 nor, the temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assem-
14 bly beginning no later than December 31, 2020.

15 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be
16 deemed repealed January 1, 2022.

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

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