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Introduced by Sen. KENNEDY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring domestic violence awareness curriculum or instruction

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 804-e to read as follows:

§ 804-e. Domestic violence awareness curriculum or instruction. 1. The commissioner, in consultation with the state office for the prevention of domestic violence, the office of children and family services, and any other appropriate agency, shall establish domestic violence awareness curriculum or instruction for school districts. The contents may be varied to meet the needs of particular school districts, or portions thereof, and need not be uniform throughout the state. The content shall be age appropriate and shall be developed according to the needs and abilities of pupils at successive grade levels in order to provide skills, information, and support to aid in domestic violence awareness.

2. Schools may include the above materials as a component of its health curriculum or any other way the school deems appropriate.

§ 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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

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