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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SANDERS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to reporting on the status and outcomes of initiatives created in response to the heroin and opioid epidemic

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

Section 1. Section 19.07 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new subdivision (m) to read as follows:

(m) (1) The office shall report on the status and outcomes of initiatives created in response to the heroin and opioid epidemic to the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the chairs of the assembly and senate committees on alcoholism and drug abuse, the chair of the assembly ways and means committee and the chair of the senate finance committee.

(2) Such reports shall include, to the extent practicable and applicable, information on:

(i) The number of individuals enrolled in the initiative in the preceding quarter;

(ii) The number of individuals who completed the treatment program in the preceding quarter;

(iii) The number of individuals discharged from the treatment program in the preceding quarter;

(iv) The age and sex of the individuals served;

(v) Relevant regional data about the individuals;

(vi) The populations served; and

(vii) The outcomes and effectiveness of each initiative surveyed.

(3) Such initiatives shall include opioid treatment programs, crisis detoxification programs, 24/7 open access centers, adolescent club houses, family navigator programs, peer engagement specialists, recovery

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

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community and outreach centers, regional addiction resource centers and the state implementation of the federal opioid state targeted response initiatives.

(4) Such information shall be provided quarterly, beginning no later than July first, two thousand nineteen.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.