

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

June 5, 2019

Introduced by Sen. JACOBS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to allowing for classes in computer coding to replace foreign language requirements for graduation

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 817 to
2 read as follows:

3 § 817. Courses of study in coding. 1. Any school district in the state
4 may provide as an alternative to completing any foreign language
5 requirement required for graduation instruction in computer coding.

6 2. The commissioner shall provide technical assistance in the develop-
7 ment of curricula for such courses of study which shall be age appropri-
8 ate and developed according to the needs and abilities of pupils at
9 successive grade levels in order to provide pupils with computer coding
10 skills.

11 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
12 the date on which it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the
13 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary
14 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized
15 to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

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

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