

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

May 19, 2020

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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16 deemed repealed January 1, 2022.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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