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Introduced by M. of A. CYMBROWITZ, GRIFFIN -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BARRETT, BENEDETTO, COOK, ENGLEBRIGHT, PERRY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse -- reported and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place on the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law and the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, in relation to requiring the commissioner of addiction services and supports to establish a problem gambling education program

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

Section 1. Section 19.09 of the mental hygiene law is amended by adding a new subdivision (m) to read as follows:

***(m) The commissioner, in consultation with the New York state gaming commission shall establish a problem gambling education program to be completed by all individuals that have placed themselves on a self exclusion list pursuant to section one hundred eleven of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law upon the expiration of the selected exclusion period. This education program shall be made available on the websites of both the office and the New York state gaming commission and shall include but not be limited to resources to treatment.***

§ 2. The opening paragraph of paragraph (a) and paragraph (c) of subdivision 2 of section 111 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by chapter 564 of the laws of 2021, are amended to read as follows:

The commission shall promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to which people may voluntarily exclude themselves from entering the premises of an association or corporation licensed or enfranchised by the

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

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commission pursuant to this chapter**; receive the required educational materials pursuant to subdivision (l) of section 19.09 of the mental hygiene law; and, upon the expiration of the selected exclusion period, complete the problem gambling education program pursuant to subdivision (m) of section 19.09 of the mental hygiene law**. In promulgating such rules and regulations the commission shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that there is consistency in the process followed under each division in which an individual may voluntarily exclude themselves. Such rules and regulations shall provide that:

(c) No voluntary order or request to exclude persons from entering the premises of any such association, corporation, or facility may be rescinded, canceled, or declared null and void until [~~**seven days after a request**~~] **such individual who is self excluded completes in paper or electronic format, an educational program approved by the office pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (m) of section 19.09 of the mental hygiene law and proof of completion** has been received by such association, corporation, or facility to cancel such order or request.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have become a law.