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## IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring a course of study in the prevention of eating disorders

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 804-e  
2 to read as follows:

3 § 804-e. Courses of study in eating disorders. 1. All pupils in  
4 grades five through twelve in all public schools in the state shall  
5 receive instruction designed to prevent eating disorders. Such program  
6 shall be defined by the commissioner in regulations after consultation  
7 with the department of health and be designed to educate students,  
8 parents and school personnel about the prevention of eating disorders in  
9 grades five through twelve. Such program shall include, but not be  
10 limited to students and parents. Nothing in this section shall prevent  
11 the department from making model curriculum and resource materials  
12 available on the department's website.

13 2. The commissioner may provide technical assistance to assist in the  
14 development of curricula for such courses of study which shall be age  
15 appropriate and developed according to the needs and abilities of pupils  
16 at successive grade levels in order to provide awareness, skills, infor-  
17 mation, self-confidence and support to aid in the prevention of eating  
18 disorders.

19 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding  
20 the date on which it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the  
21 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary  
22 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized  
23 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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