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# IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. FERNANDEZ, CRUZ, ABBATE, COLTON, SAYEGH, TAYLOR, COOK, ASHBY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring certain persons receive mental health training each year

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

Section 1. Section 804 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 8-a to read as follows:

**8-a. All holders of a professional certificate in the classroom teaching service, holders of a level III teaching assistant certificate and holders of a professional certificate in the educational leadership service pursuant to paragraph (a) of subdivision two of section three thousand six-a of this chapter shall receive a minimum of three hours of training in mental health per year. The instructional content of such training shall be consistent with mental health curriculum guidelines established by the commissioner pursuant to this section.**

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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