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Introduced by M. of A. M. MILLER -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring completion
of a training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and
developmental disabilities and chronic illness for certain medical
professionals

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6524-a
2 to read as follows:

3 § 6524-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
4 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physi-
5 cians, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall
6 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with
7 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

8 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
9 department in conjunction with the department of health.

10 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
11 following:

12 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
13 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

14 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
15 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
16 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

17 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
18 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
19 ity.

20 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
21 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
22 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

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

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1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
4 physicians licensed under this article shall complete six hours of
5 training biennially.

6 § 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6541-a to
7 read as follows:

8 § 6541-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
9 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physi-
10 cian assistants, in order to maintain his or her license in good stand-
11 ing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of
12 those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
13 illness.

14 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
15 department in conjunction with the department of health.

16 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
17 following:

18 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
19 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

20 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
21 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
22 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

23 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
24 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
25 ity.

26 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
27 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
28 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
29 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
30 ing program.

31 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
32 physician assistants licensed under this article shall complete six
33 hours of training biennially.

34 § 3. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6554-b to
35 read as follows:

36 § 6554-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
37 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All chiro-
38 practors, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,
39 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those
40 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
4 chiropractors licensed under this article shall complete six hours of
5 training biennially.

6 § 4. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6604-c to
7 read as follows:

8 § 6604-c. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
9 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All
10 dentists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,
11 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those
12 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

13 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
14 department in conjunction with the department of health.

15 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
16 following:

17 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
18 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

19 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
20 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
21 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

22 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
23 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
24 ity.

25 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
26 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
27 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
28 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
29 ing program.

30 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
31 dentists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of train-
32 ing biennially.

33 § 5. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6608-e to
34 read as follows:

35 § 6608-e. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
36 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All dental
37 assistants, in order to maintain his or her certification in good stand-
38 ing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of
39 those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
40 illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
4 dental assistants certified under this article shall complete six hours
5 of training biennially.

6 § 6. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6609-c to
7 read as follows:

8 § 6609-c. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
9 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All dental
10 hygienists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,
11 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those
12 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

13 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
14 department in conjunction with the department of health.

15 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
16 following:

17 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
18 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

19 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
20 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
21 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

22 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
23 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
24 ity.

25 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
26 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
27 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
28 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
29 ing program.

30 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
31 dental hygienists licensed under this article shall complete six hours
32 of training biennially.

33 § 7. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6734-a to
34 read as follows:

35 § 6734-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
36 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physical
37 therapists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing,
38 shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those
39 with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

40 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
41 department in conjunction with the department of health.

42 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
43 following:

44 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
45 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

46 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
47 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
48 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

49 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
50 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
51 ity.

52 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
53 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
54 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
55 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
56 ing program.

1 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
2 physical therapists licensed under this article shall complete six hours
3 of training biennially.

4 § 8. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6740-a to
5 read as follows:

6 § 6740-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
7 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All physical
8 therapist assistants, in order to maintain his or her certification in
9 good standing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treat-
10 ment of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and
11 chronic illness.

12 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
13 department in conjunction with the department of health.

14 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
15 following:

16 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
17 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

18 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
19 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
20 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

21 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
22 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
23 ity.

24 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
25 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
26 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
27 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
28 ing program.

29 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
30 physical therapist assistants certified under this article shall
31 complete six hours of training biennially.

32 § 9. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6905-a to
33 read as follows:

34 § 6905-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
35 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All regis-
36 tered professional nurses, licensed practical nurses, nurse practition-
37 ers and clinical nurse specialists, in order to maintain his or her
38 license or certificate in good standing, shall complete a biennial
39 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-
40 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
4 registered professional nurses, licensed practical nurses, nurse practi-
5 tioners and clinical nurse specialists licensed or certified under this
6 article shall complete six hours of training biennially.

7 § 10. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7004-a to
8 read as follows:

9 § 7004-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
10 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All podia-
11 trists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall
12 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with
13 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

14 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
15 department in conjunction with the department of health.

16 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
17 following:

18 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
19 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

20 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
21 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
22 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

23 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
24 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
25 ity.

26 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
27 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
28 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
29 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
30 ing program.

31 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
32 podiatrists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of
33 training biennially.

34 § 11. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7104-a to
35 read as follows:

36 § 7104-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
37 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All optome-
38 trists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall
39 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with
40 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
4 optometrists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of
5 training biennially.

6 § 12. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7603-a to
7 read as follows:

8 § 7603-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
9 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All psychol-
10 ogists, in order to maintain his or her license in good standing, shall
11 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with
12 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

13 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
14 department in conjunction with the department of health.

15 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
16 following:

17 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
18 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

19 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
20 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
21 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

22 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
23 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
24 ity.

25 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
26 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
27 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
28 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
29 ing program.

30 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
31 psychologists licensed under this article shall complete six hours of
32 training biennially.

33 § 13. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7704-a to
34 read as follows:

35 § 7704-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
36 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All licensed
37 master social workers and licensed clinical social workers, in order to
38 maintain his or her license in good standing, shall complete a biennial
39 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-
40 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

41 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
42 department in conjunction with the department of health.

43 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
44 following:

45 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
46 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

47 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
48 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
49 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

50 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
51 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
52 ity.

53 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
54 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
55 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in

1 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
2 ing program.

3 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
4 licensed master social workers and licensed clinical social workers
5 licensed under this article shall complete six hours of training bienni-
6 ally.

7 § 14. The education law is amended by adding a new section 7904-b to
8 read as follows:

9 § 7904-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
10 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All occupa-
11 tional therapists and occupational therapy assistants, in order to main-
12 tain his or her license in good standing, shall complete a biennial
13 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-
14 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

15 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
16 department in conjunction with the department of health.

17 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
18 following:

19 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
20 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

21 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
22 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
23 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

24 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
25 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
26 ity.

27 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
28 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
29 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
30 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
31 ing program.

32 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
33 occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants licensed
34 under this article shall complete six hours of training biennially.

35 § 15. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8004-a to
36 read as follows:

37 § 8004-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
38 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All dieti-
39 tians and nutritionists, in order to maintain his or her certification
40 in good standing, shall complete a biennial training program on the
41 treatment of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and
42 chronic illness.

43 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
44 department in conjunction with the department of health.

45 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
46 following:

47 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
48 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

49 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
50 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
51 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

52 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
53 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
54 ity.

55 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
56 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,

1 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
2 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
3 ing program.

4 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
5 dietitians and nutritionists certified under this article shall complete
6 six hours of training biennially.

7 § 16. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8206-b to
8 read as follows:

9 § 8206-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
10 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All speech-
11 language pathologists and audiologists, in order to maintain his or her
12 license in good standing, shall complete a biennial training program on
13 the treatment of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities
14 and chronic illness.

15 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
16 department in conjunction with the department of health.

17 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
18 following:

19 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
20 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

21 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
22 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
23 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

24 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
25 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
26 ity.

27 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
28 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
29 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
30 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
31 ing program.

32 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
33 speech-language pathologists and audiologists licensed under this arti-
34 cle shall complete six hours of training biennially.

35 § 17. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8413 to
36 read as follows:

37 § 8413. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellectual
38 and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All mental health
39 counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychoanalysts, and creative
40 arts therapists, in order to maintain his or her license in good stand-
41 ing, shall complete a biennial training program on the treatment of
42 those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
43 illness.

44 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
45 department in conjunction with the department of health.

46 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
47 following:

48 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
49 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

50 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
51 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
52 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

53 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
54 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
55 ity.

1 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
2 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
3 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
4 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
5 ing program.

6 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
7 mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychoana-
8 lysts, and creative arts therapists licensed under this article shall
9 complete six hours of training biennially.

10 § 18. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8504-b to
11 read as follows:

12 § 8504-b. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
13 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All respir-
14 atory therapists and respiratory therapy technicians, in order to main-
15 tain his or her license in good standing, shall complete a biennial
16 training program on the treatment of those with intellectual and devel-
17 opmental disabilities and chronic illness.

18 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
19 department in conjunction with the department of health.

20 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
21 following:

22 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
23 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

24 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
25 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
26 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

27 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
28 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
29 ity.

30 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
31 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
32 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
33 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
34 ing program.

35 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
36 respiratory therapists and respiratory therapy technicians licensed
37 under this article shall complete six hours of training biennially.

38 § 19. The education law is amended by adding a new section 8804-a to
39 read as follows:

40 § 8804-a. Mandatory training on the treatment of those with intellec-
41 tual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness. 1. All licensed
42 behavior analysts or certified behavior analyst assistants, in order to
43 maintain his or her license or certification in good standing, shall
44 complete a biennial training program on the treatment of those with
45 intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic illness.

46 2. Such training program shall be developed and administered by the
47 department in conjunction with the department of health.

48 3. Such training program shall include, but not be limited to, the
49 following:

50 a. didactic classroom instruction, experiential learning, and online
51 learning, totaling not less than six hours; and

52 b. best practices for the treatment and care for patients who are
53 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and chronic
54 illness, including but not limited to autism spectrum disorders.

1 4. The department in conjunction with the department of health shall
2 periodically evaluate such training program for relevance and practical-
3 ity.

4 5. The department shall prepare, publish and disseminate a list of
5 available training programs pursuant to this section; provided, however,
6 that the list shall be updated annually. The list shall be published in
7 a location that is accessible to persons required to attend such train-
8 ing program.

9 6. Beginning one year after the effective date of this section, all
10 licensed behavior analysts or certified behavior analyst assistants
11 licensed or certified under this article shall complete six hours of
12 training biennially.

13 § 20. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a
14 law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any
15 rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its
16 effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such
17 effective date.