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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting courses in critical race theory

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 817 to
2 read as follows:

3 § 817. Courses of study in critical race theory. 1. No teacher,
4 administrator or other employee of a school district, charter school or
5 city school district shall require or make part of a course the follow-
6 ing concepts:

7 a. one race or sex is inherently superior to another race or sex;

8 b. an individual, by virtue of his or her race or sex, is inherently
9 racist, sexist or oppressive, whether consciously or unconsciously;

10 c. an individual should be discriminated against or receive adverse
11 treatment solely or partly because of his or her race or sex;

12 d. members of one race or sex cannot and should not attempt to treat
13 others without respect to race or sex;

14 e. an individual's moral character is necessarily determined by his or
15 her race or sex;

16 f. an individual, by virtue of his or her race or sex, bears responsi-
17 bility for actions committed in the past by other members of the same
18 race or sex;

19 g. any individual should feel discomfort, guilt, anguish or any other
20 form of psychological distress on account of his or her race or sex; or

21 h. meritocracy or traits such as a hard work ethic are racist or
22 sexist or were created by members of a particular race to oppress
23 members of another race.

24 2. The commissioner may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations and
25 take any action as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this
26 section.

27 § 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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