STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT relating to resuming the play of interscholastic sports during the COVID-19 pandemic and requiring safety protocols to be put in place to enable safe play of such sports

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the commissioner of education shall immediately authorize the practice and play of all interscholastic sports which have been postponed or cancelled due to COVID-19. The commissioner of education, in consultation with the commissioner of health, shall adopt necessary rules and regulations and provide a process and procedure to ensure that proper COVID-19 safety protocols are followed to enable the safe play of such interscholastic sports.

§ 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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