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Introduced by Sen. PARKER -- 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 multi-cultural curriculum

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 804-e 2 to read as follows:

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- § 804-e. Multi-cultural curriculum. 1. All schools including elementa-4 ry schools, junior high schools and senior high schools shall be 5 required to teach a multi-cultural curriculum which shall be set out in rules and regulations to be promulgated by the commissioner.
- 7 2. In formulating the rules and regulations for a multi-cultural curriculum the commissioner shall allow for and shall implement rules 8 9 and regulations which consider the differences in the cultural composi-10 tion of each school and the commissioner shall allow and direct schools 11 to do research and observation on their own student body in order to particularize multi-cultural education to fit such education to such 12 13 school.
- 14 3. The commissioner shall also promulgate rules and regulations which 15 shall set out a teacher education program in order to train teachers and 16 educators to teach and interact with students of different cultural and 17 <u>ethnic backgrounds</u>.
- This act shall take effect on the first of September next 18 succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law. 19

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

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