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Introduced by Sen. BROOKS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to simulation of disaster events

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

Section 1. Subparagraphs 15 and 16 of paragraph b of subdivision 3 of section 22 of the executive law, as amended by section 3 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, are amended and a new subparagraph 17 is added to read as follows:

(15) a system for obtaining and coordinating situational awareness including the centralized assessment of disaster effects and resultant needs; [~~and~~]

(16) utilization and coordination of programs to assist individuals with household pets and service animals following a disaster, with particular attention to means of evacuation, shelter and transportation options[~~.~~]; and

(17) at least one annual simulation of both natural and man-made disaster events in the form of a tabletop exercise in which key personnel assigned emergency management roles and responsibilities gather to discuss, in a non-threatening environment, various simulated emergency situations. Such simulation shall be completed annually prior to the first of May in areas at risk of hurricane damage.

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

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

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