STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 24, 2022

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

AN ACT to amend the civil rights law, in relation to requiring certain handicap accessible playground equipment for children with disabilities

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

Section 1. The civil rights law is amended by adding a new section 79-q to read as follows:

§ 79-q. Handicap accessible playground equipment. Pursuant to section forty of this chapter, all state parks with a playground shall contain one swing set which is accessible to children with a disability for their use and enjoyment. The handicap accessible swing set must include a wheelchair accessible platform swing and a high backed full support seat. For the purposes of this section the term "disability" shall have the same meaning as defined in section two hundred ninety-two of the executive law. To the extent practicable, such accessible playground equipment shall be incorporated into the layout of the existing playground or proposed playground plan.

§ 2. This act shall take effect December 31, 2024.

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

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