STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 13, 2024

Introduced by Sen. JACKSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to updating civil service examinations

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

Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 50 of the civil service law, as added by chapter 790 of the laws of 1958, is amended to read as follows:

6. Scope of examinations. Examinations shall be practical in their character and shall relate to those matters which will fairly test the relative capacity and fitness of the persons examined to discharge the duties of that service into which they seek to be appointed. The state civil service department or appropriate municipal commission, as the case may be, may establish an eligible list on the basis of ratings received by the candidates in the competitive portions of the examination and thereafter conduct medical, physical and other appropriate non-competitive qualifying tests from time to time as the need for certifications from the eligible list may require. **Beginning in two thousand twenty-five, the state civil service department shall review and update the questions contained within the examination, as deemed appropriate by the department, no less than every five years. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the state civil service department from reviewing or updating the examinations prior to the scheduled update, as the department deems appropriate.**

§ 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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