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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. EPSTEIN, TAYLOR -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. SAYEGH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to requiring the municipal police training council to promulgate regulations regarding psychological evaluations

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 840 of the executive law, as amended by section 8 of part BBB of chapter 59 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

4 2. **a.** The council shall promulgate, and may from time to time amend, 5 such rules and regulations prescribing height, weight, physical fitness 6 and psychological requirements for eligibility of persons for provi-7 sional or permanent appointment in the competitive class of the civil 8 service as police officers of any county, city, town, village or police 9 district as it deems necessary and proper for the efficient performance 10 of police duties.

11 b. The council, in addition to the rules and regulations set forth in 12 paragraph a of this subdivision, shall promulgate, and may from time to 13 time amend, such rules and regulations, requiring every police officer, 14 appointed in the competitive class of the service, for any city with a 15 population of one million or more, to undergo a psychological evaluation upon entry into such service, and upon every third year thereafter, to 16 determine whether such officer has post-traumatic stress disorder or 17 18 anger management issues, which may affect his or her ability to serve as 19 a police officer, provided, however, the provisions of this subdivision 20 shall not apply to police officers who are not assigned to precincts, who are not assigned to active duty on patrol or who supervise police 21 22 personnel who are assigned to active duty on patrol. 23 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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