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Introduced by M. of A. DiPIETRO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to training of school personnel in non-lethal defense skills

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

Section 1. Paragraph c of subdivision 2 of section 2801-a of the education law, as amended by section 1 of part B of chapter 54 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

c. appropriate prevention and intervention strategies such as:

(i) collaborative arrangements with state and local law enforcement officials, designed to ensure that school safety officers and other security personnel are adequately trained, including being trained to de-escalate potentially violent situations, and are effectively and fairly recruited;

(ii) non-violent conflict resolution training programs;

(iii) **training in alternative defense skills for all school staff, including the use of gel pepper spray, tasers and other non-lethal forms of defense;**

(iv) peer mediation programs and youth courts; and

[~~(iv)~~] **(v)** extended day and other school safety programs;

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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