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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. CUNNINGHAM -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the veterans' services law, in relation to establishing  
a maternity care coordination program for pregnant and postpartum  
veterans

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

1 Section 1. Paragraphs (g) and (h) of subdivision 3 of section 19 of  
2 the veterans' services law are amended and a new paragraph (i) is added  
3 to read as follows:  
4 (g) inclusion of the contributions women veterans have made on behalf  
5 of the United States and this state on the department's official  
6 website; ~~and~~  
7 (h) preparation of reports on topics including, but not limited to,  
8 the demographics of women veterans, the number of women veterans listed  
9 by county, and the unique needs of the women veterans population, to the  
10 extent such information is available, to the commissioner on the status  
11 of women veterans within New York state~~[-]~~; and  
12 (i) development and implementation of a maternity care coordination  
13 program, in consultation with the United States Department of Veterans  
14 Affairs, to provide community maternity care providers with training and  
15 support with respect to the unique needs of pregnant and postpartum  
16 veterans, particularly regarding mental and behavioral health conditions  
17 relating to the service of the veterans in the armed forces.  
18 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
19 have become a law.

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

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