

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 4, 2024

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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to physician coursework or training in nutrition; and to repeal section 264 of the public health law, relating to physician coursework or training in nutrition

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

Section 1. Section 264 of the public health law, as added by a chapter of the laws of 2023, amending the public health law relating to physician coursework or training in nutrition, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4401-A and A. 5985-A, is REPEALED.

§ 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6505-e to read as follows:

§ 6505-e. Provision of information related to coursework and training in nutrition. 1. The department, in consultation with the department of health, shall compile a list of continuing medical education courses and training opportunities regarding nutrition, which may include but not be limited to plant-based nutrition, clinically proven methods for the prevention, reversal, and treatment of diet-related illnesses, and informational resources regarding racial disparities in outcomes for diet-related diseases, that are publicly available, and shall distribute such compilation to physicians who are licensed to practice medicine in the state.

2. The compiled list shall be made publicly available on the department's website and on the department of health's website, and shall be updated and redistributed no less frequently than every two years via email.

3. In compiling such resources, the department shall consult with organizations representative of professions, and institutions of higher education, and the department of health shall consult with those with expertise in nutrition and the prevention, reversal, and treatment of diet-related illnesses.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2023, amending the public health law relating to physician coursework or training in nutrition, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4401-A and A. 5985-A, takes effect.

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

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