

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 29, 2024

Introduced by M. of A. ZINERMAN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to directing the commissioner of health to establish a cannabis awareness program for students age eighteen and younger

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

1 Section 1. Section 206 of the public health law is amended by adding a
2 new subdivision 32 to read as follows:

3 32. The commissioner shall, in consultation and collaboration with the
4 executive director of the office of cannabis management and the commis-
5 sioner of education, establish and develop a cannabis awareness program
6 within the department. Such program shall be designed to educate
7 students age eighteen and younger about the effects and risks associated
8 with cannabis use, including that it is illegal for persons under the
9 age of twenty-one. Such program shall include, but not be limited to,
10 the creation of age-appropriate instructional tools and materials that
11 may be used by all schools, and marketing and advertising materials to
12 discourage underage cannabis use.

13 § 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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