

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

June 4, 2024

Introduced by Sen. PARKER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to access to certain mental health care services for emergency dispatchers and correction officers

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

1 Section 1. The civil service law is amended by adding a new section  
2 155 to read as follows:

3 § 155. Access to post-traumatic stress disorder treatment for  
4 correction officers and emergency dispatchers. 1. Correction officers  
5 and emergency dispatchers employed by a municipality shall be entitled  
6 to the same benefits and services for the diagnosis and treatment of  
7 post-traumatic stress disorder as are afforded police officers and fire-  
8 fighters employed by such municipality, and such benefits and services  
9 shall be accessed through the same policies and procedures.

10 2. Any collective bargaining agreement or employment contract entered  
11 into by a municipality and an employee or an employee organization  
12 representing emergency dispatchers or correction officers employed by  
13 such municipality shall provide the same benefits and services for the  
14 diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder as provided to  
15 police officers and firefighters employed by such municipality, which  
16 shall be accessed through the same policies and procedures, provided,  
17 however, that nothing contained in this section shall prohibit an  
18 employee organization representing emergency dispatchers and correction  
19 officers employed by a municipality from seeking to provide greater  
20 benefits and services for the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic  
21 stress disorder than those provided to police officers and firefighters  
22 employed by such municipality.

23 § 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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