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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

February 25, 2025

Introduced by Sen. FERNANDEZ -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to allowing for reasonable accommodations for the examination portion of licensure requirements to become a social worker for individuals for whom English is not their primary language

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 1 of section 7704 of the
2 education law, as added by chapter 420 of the laws of 2002, is amended
3 to read as follows:

4 (d) Examination: pass an examination satisfactory to the board and in
5 accordance with the commissioner's regulations. Any organization permit-
6 ted by the department to offer the licensing examination shall allow
7 reasonable accommodations for applicants for whom English is not their
8 primary language and a test in their primary language is not available;

9 § 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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