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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring CPR certified cafeteria monitors to be present in school cafeterias during lunchtimes

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

1 Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as
2 "Stella's law".

3 § 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 3001-e to
4 read as follows:

5 § 3001-e. First aid, CPR, and Heimlich certification requirement. 1.
6 For the purposes of this section: (a) "Cardiopulmonary resuscitation
7 (CPR)" shall have the same meaning as in subdivision three of section
8 twenty-nine hundred ninety-four-a of the public health law.

9 (b) "Heimlich" or "Heimlich maneuver" shall mean a first-aid procedure
10 for dislodging an obstruction from a person's windpipe in which a sudden
11 strong pressure is applied on the abdomen, between the navel and the rib
12 cage.

13 2. In addition to any provision of law or rule or regulation of the
14 department related to the requirements necessary for teachers and staff
15 within New York schools, it shall be required that all adult cafeteria
16 monitors of the school be certified in first aid, CPR, and the Heimlich
17 maneuver and be present and monitoring students in the school's cafete-
18 ria during all lunchtimes of primary and secondary schools.

19 § 3. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
20 the date on which it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the
21 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary
22 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized
23 to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

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

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