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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to health care and wellness education and outreach programs for preventing sudden cardiac arrest among student athletes

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 207 of the public health law is amended by adding a new paragraph (t) to read as follows:

(t) Preventing sudden cardiac arrest among students participating in school sporting events, including recommending evidenced-based best practices for health certificates required pursuant to section nine hundred three of the education law, screening exams required for participation in interscholastic athletics, and information for students and their parents and guardians regarding sudden cardiac arrest. Such materials shall be developed in conjunction with the commissioner of education, the Medical Society of the State of New York, the New York chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American Heart Association, and shall include an explanation of sudden cardiac arrest, its incidence among student athletes, a description of early warning signs, and an overview of the options that are privately available to screen for cardiac conditions that may lead to sudden cardiac arrest including a statement about the limitations of these options.

§ 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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