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Introduced by Sen. WEBB -- 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 domestic violence training for health and mental health professionals

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

Section 1. Section 206 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 33 to read as follows:

33. (a) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations which shall ensure that trainings on providing care for victims of domestic violence are developed and delivered to health and mental health professionals. Such trainings shall be reviewed and updated annually in consultation with the office for the prevention of domestic violence. Such trainings shall include instruction that health and mental health professionals are not subject to mandatory reporting for instances of domestic violence against adults.

(b) The commissioner shall convene a task force responsible for ensuring that all health and mental health professionals in the state receive the trainings under paragraph (a) of this subdivision on an annual basis. Such task force shall collect data on the participation of such trainings by health and mental health professionals in the state.

§ 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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