STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 10, 2026

Introduced by Sen. CLEARE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on New York City Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing a free lifeguard training program in high schools in a city with a population of one million or more

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

Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 927 to read as follows:

§ 927. High school lifeguard training program. The department shall establish and administer a free lifeguard training program in high schools of school districts located in a city with a population of one million or more. Such program shall be operated year round, under the direction and advisement of the department. Participating students shall have preexisting experience in swimming and water safety, as determined by the school district. Within amounts appropriated therefor, the department shall cover all fees and costs of a state-approved lifeguard certification exam for any student upon completion of the training program established pursuant to this section.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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