

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:

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

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

13 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
14 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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