

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. E. BROWN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to coordination of policies and services of the traumatic brain injury program with the office for the prevention of domestic violence

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

1 Section 1. Section 2740 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 672 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

2 § 2740. Traumatic brain injury program. The department shall have the
3 central responsibility for administering the provisions of this article
4 and otherwise coordinating the state's policies with respect to traumatic
5 brain injury, in consultation with the office for people with developmental
6 disabilities, the office of mental health, the department of
7 education, the office of [~~alcoholism and substance abuse services~~]
8 addiction services and supports, the department of social services, the
9 office of the advocate for the disabled, the office for the prevention
10 of domestic violence, and the commission on quality of care for the
11 mentally disabled.

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13 § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 2744 of the public health law, as
14 amended by chapter 672 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as
15 follows:

16 1. The traumatic brain injury services coordinating council is hereby
17 established and shall consist of the following persons or their designees:
18 the commissioner, the commissioner of the office for people with
19 developmental disabilities, the office of mental health, the commissioner
20 of education, the commissioner of [~~alcoholism and substance abuse~~
21 ~~services~~] addiction services and supports, the commissioner of social
22 services, the state advocate for the disabled, the executive director of
23 the office for the prevention of domestic violence and the commission on
24 quality of care for the mentally disabled. In addition, the council
25 shall consist of the following persons: five persons appointed by the
26 governor, three of whom shall be persons with traumatic brain injury and
27 two of whom shall be representative of the public and have a demon-

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

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1 strated expertise and interest in traumatic brain injury; two persons
2 appointed by the temporary president of the senate, one of whom shall be
3 a person with traumatic brain injury and one of whom shall be represen-
4 tative of the public and have a demonstrated expertise and interest in
5 traumatic brain injury; two persons appointed by the speaker of the
6 assembly, one of whom shall be a person with traumatic brain injury and
7 one of whom shall be representative of the public and have a demon-
8 strated expertise and interest in traumatic brain injury, one person
9 appointed by the minority leader of the senate who shall be a person
10 with traumatic brain injury or be representative of the public and have
11 a demonstrated expertise and interest in traumatic brain injury; and one
12 person appointed by the minority leader of the assembly who shall be a
13 person with traumatic brain injury or be representative of the public
14 and have a demonstrated expertise and interest in traumatic brain inju-
15 ry. Of the five persons appointed by the governor, three shall serve for
16 a term of one year, one shall serve for a term of two years and one
17 shall serve for a term of three years. Of the two persons appointed by
18 the temporary president of the senate, one shall serve for a term of two
19 years and one shall serve for a term of three years. Of the two persons
20 appointed by the speaker of the assembly, one shall serve for a term of
21 two years and one shall serve for a term of three years. The person
22 appointed by the minority leader of the senate and the person appointed
23 by the minority leader of the assembly shall serve for a term of one
24 year. Subsequent appointments for vacancies shall be for a term of three
25 years and shall be filled in the same manner as the original appoint-
26 ment.

27 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.