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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. DiPIETRO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to training of school personnel in non-lethal defense skills

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph c of subdivision 2 of section 2801-a of the
2 education law, as amended by section 1 of part B of chapter 54 of the
3 laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

4 c. appropriate prevention and intervention strategies such as:

5 (i) collaborative arrangements with state and local law enforcement
6 officials, designed to ensure that school safety officers and other
7 security personnel are adequately trained, including being trained to
8 de-escalate potentially violent situations, and are effectively and
9 fairly recruited;

10 (ii) non-violent conflict resolution training programs;

11 (iii) training in alternative defense skills for all school staff,
12 including the use of gel pepper spray, tasers and other non-lethal forms
13 of defense;

14 (iv) peer mediation programs and youth courts; and

15 [~~(iv)~~] (v) extended day and other school safety programs;

16 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
17 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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