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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring the department of education to create a database tracking college opportunity program seats at non-public and public institutions

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 6451 of the education law is
2 renumbered subdivision 7 and a new subdivision 6 is added to read as
3 follows:

4 6. The commissioner shall establish a database requiring non-public
5 institutions transmit the number of seats such non-public institutions
6 have available for prospective students relying on the provisions of
7 this section. Such database shall be available on a website created by
8 the department and shall:

9 (a) be available to authorized high school counselors;

10 (b) include each non-public institution's application guidelines and
11 deadlines;

12 (c) be updated every time a non-public institution reaches a certain
13 threshold of seats taken, which shall follow increments of twenty
14 percent of seats taken until all such seats are filled;

15 (d) include ease of access accommodations for those with disabilities
16 as well as an arrangement of interactive hyperlinks; and

17 (e) be updated annually on the first day of March or at the close of
18 each non-public institution's application deadline.

19 § 2. Section 6452 of the education law is amended by adding a new
20 subdivision 6 to read as follows:

21 6. The trustees shall establish a database requiring public insti-
22 tutions transmit the number of seats such public institutions have
23 available for prospective students relying on the provisions of this

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

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1 section. Such database shall be available on a website created by the
2 department and shall:

3 (a) be available to authorized high school counselors;

4 (b) include each public institution's application guidelines and dead-
5 lines;

6 (c) be updated every time a public institution reaches a certain
7 threshold of seats taken, which shall follow increments of twenty
8 percent of seats taken until all such seats are filled;

9 (d) include ease of access accommodations for those with disabilities
10 as well as an arrangement of interactive hyperlinks; and

11 (e) be updated annually on the first day of March or at the close of
12 each public institution's application deadline.

13 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.