STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 15, 2026

Introduced by Sen. WEBB -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to establishing a narcolepsy and sleep disorder education and awareness program

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 207 of the public health law is amended by adding a new paragraph (t) to read as follows:

(t) Narcolepsy and sleep disorders including the impact of narcolepsy, sleep disorders and sleep health on physical, mental, and public health, reducing stigma, the importance of screening and diagnosis, and the public safety implications of untreated narcolepsy and other sleep disorders, including risks associated with driving and occupational hazards. Such program shall provide educational materials to healthcare providers, educators, and the public on reducing stigma and promoting screening, diagnosis, and management through evidence-based treatment and medication for narcolepsy and other sleep disorders. The materials may be developed in consultation with the office of mental health, department of transportation, and by informed best practices from relevant healthcare provider groups including the American Academy of Sleep Medicine and disseminated by the department in coordination with commercial health plans, healthcare provider organizations, school districts and community health programs.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

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

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