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Regulation of Conduct on College Campuses and on Property Used for Educational Purposes

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An Act to amend the education law, in relation to the regulation of conduct on college campuses and other college property used for educational purposes.


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

Section 1. Subdivision one of section sixty-four hundred fifty of the education law, as added by chapter one hundred ninety-one of the laws of nineteen hundred sixty-nine, is amended to read as follows:

1. The trustees or other governing board of every college chartered by the regents or incorporated by special act of the legislature shall adopt rules and regulations for the maintenance of public order on college campuses and other college property used for educational purposes and provide a program for the enforcement thereof. Such rules and regulations shall prohibit, among other things, any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers mental or physical health or involves the forced consumption of liquor or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization. Such rules and regulations shall govern the conduct of students, faculty and other staff as well as visitors and other licensees and invitees on such campuses and property. The penalties for violations of such rules and regulations shall be clearly set forth therein and shall include provisions for the ejection of a violator from such campus and property, and in the case of a student or faculty violator his suspension, expulsion or other appropriate disciplinary action and, in the case of an organization which authorizes such conduct, revocation of permission for that organization to operate on campus property. Such penalties shall be in addition to any penalty pursuant to the penal law or any other chapter to which a violator or organization may be subject. Such rules and regulations shall be filed with the regents and the commissioner of education not later than ninety days after the effective date of this act. A copy of such rules and regulations which prohibit reckless or intentional endangerment to health or forced consumption of liquor or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization shall be given to all students enrolled in said college and shall be deemed to be part of the by-laws of all organizations operating on said campus which shall review annually such by-laws with individuals affiliated with such organizations. All amendments to such rules and regulations shall be filed with the regents and the commissioner of education not later than ten days after their adoption.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on September first, nineteen hundred eighty.