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Introduced by Sen. VALESKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes -- recommitted to the Committee on Codes in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to criminal possession and unlawful sale of embalming fluid

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Section 3400 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision (1) to read as follows:

  (L) "EMBALMING FLUID" MEANS ANY CHEMICALS OR SUBSTANCES MANUFACTURED
  - (L) "EMBALMING FLUID" MEANS ANY CHEMICALS OR SUBSTANCES MANUFACTURED PRIMARILY FOR USE BY LICENSED FUNERAL DIRECTORS, UNDERTAKERS OR EMBALMERS, OR REGISTERED RESIDENTS, TO PREPARE, DISINFECT OR PRESERVE, EITHER HYPODERMICALLY, ARTERIALLY OR BY ANY OTHER RECOGNIZED MEANS THE BODY OF A DECEASED PERSON FOR BURIAL, CREMATION OR OTHER FINAL DISPOSITION.

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- 8 S 2. Paragraph (f) of subdivision 1 of section 3455 of the public 9 health law is relettered paragraph (g) and a new paragraph (f) is added 10 to read as follows:
- 11 (F) BEING A FUNERAL DIRECTOR, UNDERTAKER OR EMBALMER, OR REGISTERED 12 RESIDENT, KNOWINGLY GIVE, SELL, PERMIT TO BE SOLD, OFFER FOR SALE OR 13 DISPLAY FOR SALE, OTHER THAN FOR PURPOSES WITHIN THE GENERAL SCOPE OF 14 THEIR ACTIVITIES AS A LICENSED FUNERAL DIRECTOR, UNDERTAKER OR EMBALMER,
- 15 OR REGISTERED RESIDENT, EMBALMING FLUID TO ANOTHER PERSON WITH ACTUAL 16 KNOWLEDGE THAT SUCH OTHER PERSON IS NOT A LICENSED FUNERAL DIRECTOR,
- 17 UNDERTAKER OR EMBALMER, OR REGISTERED RESIDENT, OR ENTITY AUTHORIZED TO
- 18 PERFORM EMBALMING ACTIVITIES UNDER SECTION THIRTY-FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY OF
- 19 THIS ARTICLE OR ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE FORTY-TWO OF THIS CHAP 20 TER; OR
- 21 S 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after 22 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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