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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. LAVALLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to contracts for joint or group purchasing of goods or services for state university health care facilities

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

Section 1. Paragraph b of subdivision 16 of section 355 of the education law, as amended by section 1 of subpart C of part D of chapter 58 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision two of section one 5 hundred twelve of the state finance law, subdivision six of section one hundred sixty-three of the state finance law and section sixty-three of the executive law (i) authorize contracts for the purchase of goods for state university health care facilities without prior approval by any 8 9 other state officer or agency, including contracts for joint or 10 purchasing arrangements of goods, in accordance with procedures and requirements found in paragraph a of subdivision five of this section, 11 and (ii) authorize contracts for services which do not exceed seventy-12 13 five thousand dollars without prior approval by any other state officer agency in accordance with procedures and requirements found in para-14 15 graph [a] A-1 of subdivision five of this section. IN ADDITION, UNIVERSITY HEALTH CARE FACILITIES ARE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO JOINT OR 16 GROUP PURCHASING ARRANGEMENTS FOR GOODS OR SERVICES, WHICH ARRANGEMENTS 17 18 THE PURCHASING OF GOODS OR SERVICES THROUGH SUCH ARRANGEMENTS SHALL 19 NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION ONE HUNDRED TWELVE 20 STATE FINANCE LAW, SECTION SIXTY-THREE OF THE EXECUTIVE LAW, SECTION ONE 21 SIXTY-THREE OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW, ARTICLE FOUR-C OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LAW, OR PARAGRAPHS A AND A-1 OF SUBDIVISION FIVE OF 22 THIS SECTION. Contracts authorized pursuant to this paragraph shall be 23 24 to article fourteen of the civil service law and the applicable provisions of agreements between the state and employee organizations 26 pursuant to article fourteen of the civil service law.

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

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The trustees are authorized to negotiate annually with the state comptroller increases in the aforementioned dollar limits.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the amendments to paragraph b of subdivision 16 of section 355 of the education law made by section one of this act shall not affect the expiration of such paragraph and shall be deemed to expire therewith.