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Introduced by Sen. GIANARIS -- 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 requiring hospitals to establish and utilize procedural medical checklists for the provision of all intensive care unit medical procedures

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

Section 1. Section 2803 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 11 to read as follows:

11. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL BY RULE OR REGULATION REQUIRE EVERY HOSPITAL TO ESTABLISH, UTILIZE AND COMPLETE A CHECKLIST FOR EACH INTENSIVE CARE UNIT MEDICAL PROCEDURE PERFORMED OR OCCURRING AT SUCH HOSPITAL. SUCH CHECKLISTS SHALL BE DESIGNED AND USED FOR THE PURPOSES OF REDUCING INFECTIONS AND RELATED ILLNESSES, IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PATIENTS, AND ENSURING THAT THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, FACILITIES AND PERSONNEL ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE INTENSIVE CARE MEDICAL PROCEDURE. ALL SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS SHALL BE PROMULGATED AND IMPLEMENTED WITHIN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBDIVISION.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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