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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to first responders carrying opioid antagonist drugs; and making an appropriation therefor

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

Section 1. Section 3000-a of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

3. ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION THREE THOUSAND TWO OF THIS ARTICLE AND WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTRATION OF INITIAL LIFESAVING CARE OF SICK AND INJURED PERSONS MAY CARRY OPIOID ANTAGONIST DRUGS, SUCH AS NALOXONE HYDROCHLORIDE. IN ADDITION, REHABILITATION FACILITIES MAY DISPENSE SUCH OPIOID ANTAGONIST DRUGS WHEN DISCHARGING AN INPATIENT TO SUCH PATIENT, A FAMILY MEMBER OF, CAREGIVER FOR, OR TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SHARES A DOMICILE WITH SUCH DISCHARGED INPATIENT.

S 2. The sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the department of health out of any moneys in the state treasury in the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, and made immediately available, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act. Such moneys shall be payable on the audit and warrant of the comptroller on vouchers certified or approved by the commissioner of health in the manner prescribed by law.

S 3. 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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