

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 10, 2022

Introduced by M. of A. BARNWELL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring pharmacies give notice to current prescription customers of intent to close the pharmacy

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6811-d
2 to read as follows:

3 § 6811-d. Patient notification of intent to close. 1. Where a pharma-
4 cy is intending to close, such pharmacy shall make a reasonable attempt
5 to notify all current patients that the pharmacy intends to close. Such
6 notice shall be by phone or by mail and shall occur at least thirty days
7 from the intended date of closure. A patient shall be considered a
8 current patient if the pharmacy had dispensed a drug to such patient
9 within the last six months.

10 2. The notification required by this section may be provided by an
11 individual pharmacy or by a central office in the case of a pharmacy
12 that is part of a chain.

13 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
14 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or
15 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of
16 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed
17 on or before such effective date.

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

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