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Introduced by M. of A. DINOWITZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, the labor law, the public health law, the education law, the tax law, the vehicle and traffic law, the judiciary law and the executive law, in relation to requiring certain state forms and applications to include space for registering in the "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations; and to repeal certain provisions of the public health law relating thereto

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

1 Section 1. The civil service law is amended by adding a new section  
2 50-d to read as follows:

3 § 50-d. Organ, eye and tissue donation. The civil service department  
4 and municipal commissions shall provide on each application provided  
5 pursuant to section fifty of this title space for the applicant to  
6 register in the "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue  
7 donations established pursuant to section forty-three hundred ten of the  
8 public health law with the following stated on the application in clear  
9 and conspicuous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life  
10 Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". Neither the  
11 civil service department nor municipal commissions shall maintain  
12 records of any person who checks "skip this question". Failure to check  
13 "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to imply a  
14 wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen years of  
15 age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical  
16 gift or registration in the donate life registry. Provided, that where  
17 an applicant has previously consented to make an anatomical gift or  
18 registered in the "donate life registry", failing to check a box shall  
19 not impair such consent or registration.

20 § 2. The labor law is amended by adding a new section 596-a to read as  
21 follows:

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

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1 § 596-a. Organ, eye and tissue donation. The commissioner shall  
2 provide on each claim for benefits made pursuant to section five hundred  
3 ninety-six of this title space for the claimant to register in the  
4 "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations established  
5 pursuant to section forty-three hundred ten of the public health law  
6 with the following stated on the application in clear and conspicuous  
7 type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check  
8 box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commissioner shall not main-  
9 tain records of any person who checks "skip this question". Failure to  
10 check "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to  
11 imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen  
12 years of age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an  
13 anatomical gift or registration in the donate life registry. Provided,  
14 that where a claimant has previously consented to make an anatomical  
15 gift or registered in the "donate life registry", failing to check a box  
16 shall not impair such consent or registration.

17 § 3. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of section 4310 of the public  
18 health law, as amended by section 2 of chapter 662 of the laws of 2024,  
19 is amended to read as follows:

20 (a) Such organ, eye and tissue registration of consent to make an  
21 anatomical gift can be made through: (i) indication made on the applica-  
22 tion or renewal form of a driver's license, (ii) indication made on a  
23 non-driver identification card application or renewal form, (iii) indi-  
24 cation made on a voter registration form pursuant to subdivision five of  
25 section 5-210 of the election law, (iv) indication made on the applica-  
26 tion for, or manual renewal application by an account holder of, health  
27 care coverage offered through the state health benefit exchange, (v)  
28 enrollment through the donate life registry website, (vi) paper enroll-  
29 ment submitted to the donate life registry, (vii) indication made on the  
30 application or renewal form of a hunting, fishing or trapping license  
31 issued pursuant to title seven of article eleven of the environmental  
32 conservation law, (viii) indication made on transactions administered by  
33 the office of temporary and disability assistance through the mybene-  
34 fits.ny.gov website, or any such successor website[+], (ix) indication  
35 made on applications, renewals or related transactions for college  
36 financial aid, grants, or scholarships offered or administered through  
37 any website maintained by the higher education services corporation[+],  
38 (x) indication made on transactions conducted through an individual's  
39 electronic health records[+e], (xi) indication made on an application  
40 for a civil service examination pursuant to section fifty of the civil  
41 service law, (xii) indication made on a claim for unemployment benefits  
42 made pursuant to section five hundred ninety-six of the labor law,  
43 (xiii) indication made on an application for a certificate, license or  
44 registration issued pursuant to article sixty-one of the education law,  
45 (xiv) indication made on an application to practice a profession pursu-  
46 ant to title eight of the education law, (xv) indication made on a  
47 personal income tax return, (xvi) indication made on an application for  
48 registration or renewal thereof of a motor vehicle, (xvii) indication  
49 made on an application for admission to practice or on a biennial regis-  
50 tration form pursuant to section four hundred sixty-four or four hundred  
51 sixty-eight-a of the judiciary law, (xviii) indication made on an appli-  
52 cation to conduct a profession or occupation which is licensed or regis-  
53 tered by the department of state, or (xix) through any other method  
54 identified by the commissioner. The department shall establish a means  
55 by which to register the consent given by individuals who are sixteen or  
56 seventeen years of age in the donate life registry, and shall make

1 registration available by any of the methods provided in subparagraphs  
2 (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii), (viii), (ix), (x) [~~and~~], (xi),  
3 (xii), (xiii), (xiv), (xv), (xvi), (xvii), (xviii) and (xix) of this  
4 paragraph.

5 § 3-a. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of section 4310 of the public  
6 health law, as amended by section 3 of chapter 662 of the laws of 2024,  
7 is amended to read as follows:

8 (a) Such organ, eye and tissue registration of consent to make an  
9 anatomical gift can be made through: (i) indication made on the applica-  
10 tion or renewal form of a driver's license, (ii) indication made on a  
11 non-driver identification card application or renewal form, (iii) indi-  
12 cation made on a voter registration form pursuant to subdivision five of  
13 section 5-210 of the election law, (iv) indication made on the applica-  
14 tion for, or manual renewal application by an account holder of, health  
15 care coverage offered through the NY State of Health, the official  
16 Health Plan Marketplace, (v) enrollment through the donate life registry  
17 website, (vi) paper enrollment submitted to the donate life registry,  
18 (vii) indication made on the application or renewal form of a hunting,  
19 fishing or trapping license issued pursuant to title seven of article  
20 eleven of the environmental conservation law, (viii) indication made on  
21 transactions administered by the office of temporary and disability  
22 assistance through the mybenefits.ny.gov website, or any such successor  
23 website~~[+]~~, (ix) indication made on applications, renewals or related  
24 transactions for college financial aid, grants, or scholarships offered  
25 or administered through any website maintained by the higher education  
26 services corporation~~[+]~~, (x) indication made by an insured and/or appli-  
27 cant for insurance during enrollments, renewals, and the initial process  
28 for an insured in setting up an online member service portal with their  
29 insurer for accident and health insurance policies and contracts issued  
30 pursuant to article forty-four of this chapter, article forty-two of the  
31 insurance law, or article forty-three of the insurance law, excepting  
32 renewals made through the NY State of Health, the official Health Plan  
33 Marketplace, other than those specifically referenced in subparagraph  
34 (iv) of this paragraph and paragraph (v) of subdivision one of section  
35 two hundred six of this chapter; and provided, however, that nothing in  
36 this section shall apply to the medical assistance program under title  
37 eleven of article five of the social services law~~[+]~~, (xi) indication  
38 made on transactions conducted through an individual's electronic health  
39 record~~[+]~~~~or~~, (xii) indication made on an application for a civil  
40 service examination pursuant to section fifty of the civil service law,  
41 (xiii) indication made on a claim for unemployment benefits made pursu-  
42 ant to section five hundred ninety-six of the labor law, (xiv) indi-  
43 cation made on an application for a certificate, license or registration  
44 issued pursuant to article sixty-one of the education law, (xv) indi-  
45 cation made on an application to practice a profession pursuant to title  
46 eight of the education law, (xvi) indication made on a personal income  
47 tax return, (xvii) indication made on an application for registration or  
48 renewal thereof of a motor vehicle, (xviii) indication made on an appli-  
49 cation for admission to practice or on a biennial registration form  
50 pursuant to section four hundred sixty-four or four hundred  
51 sixty-eight-a of the judiciary law, (xix) indication made on an applica-  
52 tion to conduct a profession or occupation which is licensed or regis-  
53 tered by the department of state, or (xx) through any other method iden-  
54 tified by the commissioner. The department shall establish a means by  
55 which to register the consent given by individuals who are sixteen or  
56 seventeen years of age in the donate life registry, and shall make

1 registration available by any of the methods provided in subparagraphs  
2 (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii), (viii), (ix), (x), (xi) [~~and~~],  
3 (xii), (xiii), (xiv), (xv), (xvi), (xvii), (xviii), (xix) and (xx) of  
4 this paragraph.

5 § 4. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subdivision 5 of section 4310 of the  
6 public health law are REPEALED and a new paragraph (b) is added to read  
7 as follows:

8 (b) Enrollment or amendment or revocation through the donate life  
9 registry website through any of the means listed in this subdivision may  
10 be signed by electronic signature, in accordance with the provisions of  
11 article three of the state technology law, supported by the use of suit-  
12 able mechanisms including unique identifiers to provide confidence in  
13 the identity of the person providing the electronic signature. The  
14 registration shall take effect upon the provision of written or elec-  
15 tronic notice of the registration to the individual enrolling in the  
16 donate life registry.

17 § 5. Paragraphs (d), (e) and (f) of subdivision 5 of section 4310 of  
18 the public health law are relettered paragraphs (c), (d) and (e).

19 § 6. Subdivision 1 of section 206 of the public health law is amended  
20 by adding eight new paragraphs (x), (y), (z), (aa), (bb), (cc), (dd) and  
21 (ee) to read as follows:

22 (x) require, in consultation and cooperation with the civil service  
23 department and municipal commissions, that every individual applying for  
24 a civil service examination be provided space so that such applicant may  
25 register in the "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue  
26 donations under section forty-three hundred ten of this chapter with the  
27 following stated in clear conspicuous type: "Would you like to be added  
28 to the Donate Life Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this ques-  
29 tion'". Neither the civil service department nor municipal commissions  
30 shall maintain records of any person who checks "skip this question".  
31 Except where the application is made in person or electronically, fail-  
32 ure to check a box shall not impair the validity of an application, and  
33 failure to check "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be  
34 construed to imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant  
35 under sixteen years of age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent  
36 to make an anatomical gift or registration in the donate life registry.  
37 Where an applicant has previously consented to make an anatomical gift  
38 or registered in the donate life registry, checking "skip this question"  
39 or failing to check a box shall not impair that consent or registration.

40 (y) require, in consultation and cooperation with the commissioner of  
41 the department of labor, that every individual filing a claim for unem-  
42 ployment benefits be provided space so that such applicant may register  
43 in the "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations under  
44 section forty-three hundred ten of this chapter with the following stat-  
45 ed in clear conspicuous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate  
46 Life Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commis-  
47 sioner shall not maintain records of any person who checks "skip this  
48 question". Except where the claim for benefits is made in person or  
49 electronically, failure to check a box shall not impair the validity of  
50 an application, and failure to check "yes" or checking "skip this ques-  
51 tion" shall not be construed to imply a wish not to donate. In the case  
52 of a claimant under sixteen years of age, checking "yes" shall not  
53 constitute consent to make an anatomical gift or registration in the  
54 donate life registry. Where a claimant has previously consented to make  
55 an anatomical gift or registered in the donate life registry, checking

1 "skip this question" or failing to check a box shall not impair that  
2 consent or registration.

3 (z) require, in consultation and cooperation with the commissioner of  
4 education, that every individual applying for a certificate, license or  
5 registration issued pursuant to article sixty-one of the education law,  
6 be provided space so that such applicant may register in the "donate  
7 life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations under section forty-  
8 three hundred ten of this chapter with the following stated in clear  
9 conspicuous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life Regis-  
10 try? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commissioner  
11 shall not maintain records of any person who checks "skip this ques-  
12 tion". Except where the application is made in person or electronically,  
13 failure to check a box shall not impair the validity of an application,  
14 and failure to check "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be  
15 construed to imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant  
16 under sixteen years of age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent  
17 to make an anatomical gift or registration in the donate life registry.  
18 Where an applicant has previously consented to make an anatomical gift  
19 or registered in the donate life registry, checking "skip this question"  
20 or failing to check a box shall not impair that consent or registration.

21 (aa) require, in consultation and cooperation with the commissioner of  
22 education, that every individual applying to practice a profession  
23 pursuant to title eight of the education law, be provided space so that  
24 such applicant may register in the "donate life registry" for organ, eye  
25 and tissue donations under section forty-three hundred ten of this chap-  
26 ter with the following stated in clear conspicuous type: "Would you like  
27 to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip  
28 this question'". The commissioner shall not maintain records of any  
29 person who checks "skip this question". Except where the application is  
30 made in person or electronically, failure to check a box shall not  
31 impair the validity of an application, and failure to check "yes" or  
32 checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to imply a wish not  
33 to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen years of age,  
34 checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical gift  
35 or registration in the donate life registry. Where an applicant has  
36 previously consented to make an anatomical gift or registered in the  
37 donate life registry, checking "skip this question" or failing to check  
38 a box shall not impair that consent or registration.

39 (bb) require, in consultation and cooperation with the department of  
40 taxation and finance, that every individual filing a personal income tax  
41 return be provided space so that such applicant may register in the  
42 "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations under section  
43 forty-three hundred ten of this chapter with the following stated in  
44 clear conspicuous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life  
45 Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commissioner  
46 shall not maintain records of any person who checks "skip this ques-  
47 tion". Except where the application is made in person or electronically,  
48 failure to check a box shall not impair the validity of an application,  
49 and failure to check "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be  
50 construed to imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant  
51 under sixteen years of age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent  
52 to make an anatomical gift or registration in the donate life registry.  
53 Where an applicant has previously consented to make an anatomical gift  
54 or registered in the donate life registry, checking "skip this question"  
55 or failing to check a box shall not impair that consent or registration.

1 (cc) require, in consultation and cooperation with the commissioner of  
2 motor vehicles, that every individual applying for a registration or  
3 renewal thereof of a motor vehicle be provided space so that such appli-  
4 cant may register in the "donate life registry" for organ, eye and  
5 tissue donations under section forty-three hundred ten of this chapter  
6 with the following stated in clear conspicuous type: "Would you like to  
7 be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this  
8 question'". The commissioner shall not maintain records of any person  
9 who checks "skip this question". Except where the application is made in  
10 person or electronically, failure to check a box shall not impair the  
11 validity of an application, and failure to check "yes" or checking "skip  
12 this question" shall not be construed to imply a wish not to donate. In  
13 the case of an applicant under sixteen years of age, checking "yes"  
14 shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical gift or registration  
15 in the donate life registry. Where an applicant has previously consented  
16 to make an anatomical gift or registered in the donate life registry,  
17 checking "skip this question" or failing to check a box shall not impair  
18 that consent or registration.

19 (dd) require, in consultation and cooperation with the state board of  
20 law examiners, that every individual applying for admission to practice  
21 or on a biennial registration form pursuant to section four hundred  
22 sixty-four or four hundred sixty-eight-a of the judiciary law, be  
23 provided space so that such applicant may register in the "donate life  
24 registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations under section forty-three  
25 hundred ten of this chapter with the following stated in clear conspicu-  
26 ous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check  
27 box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commissioner shall not main-  
28 tain records of any person who checks "skip this question". Except where  
29 the application is made in person or electronically, failure to check a  
30 box shall not impair the validity of an application, and failure to  
31 check "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to  
32 imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen  
33 years of age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an  
34 anatomical gift or registration in the donate life registry. Where an  
35 applicant has previously consented to make an anatomical gift or regis-  
36 tered in the donate life registry, checking "skip this question" or  
37 failing to check a box shall not impair that consent or registration.

38 (ee) require, in consultation and cooperation with the secretary of  
39 state, that every individual applying to conduct a profession or occupa-  
40 tion which is licensed or registered by the department of state be  
41 provided space so that such applicant may register in the "donate life  
42 registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations under section forty-three  
43 hundred ten of this chapter with the following stated in clear conspicu-  
44 ous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check  
45 box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commissioner shall not main-  
46 tain records of any person who checks "skip this question". Except where  
47 the application is made in person or electronically, failure to check a  
48 box shall not impair the validity of an application, and failure to  
49 check "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to  
50 imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen  
51 years of age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an  
52 anatomical gift or registration in the donate life registry. Where an  
53 applicant has previously consented to make an anatomical gift or regis-  
54 tered in the donate life registry, checking "skip this question" or  
55 failing to check a box shall not impair that consent or registration.

1 § 7. Section 3006 of the education law is amended by adding a new  
2 subdivision 4 to read as follows:

3 4. Organ, eye and tissue donation. The commissioner shall provide on  
4 each application for a certificate, license or registration issued  
5 pursuant to this article, and each renewal thereof, space for the appli-  
6 cant to register in the "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue  
7 donations established pursuant to section forty-three hundred ten of the  
8 public health law with the following stated on the application in clear  
9 and conspicuous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life  
10 Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The regents  
11 shall not maintain records of any person who checks "skip this ques-  
12 tion". Failure to check "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not  
13 be construed to imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant  
14 under sixteen years of age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent  
15 to make an anatomical gift or registration in the donate life registry.  
16 Provided, that where an applicant has previously consented to make an  
17 anatomical gift or registered in the "donate life registry", failing to  
18 check a box shall not impair such consent or registration.

19 § 8. Section 6501 of the education law is amended by adding a new  
20 subdivision 3 to read as follows:

21 3. The regents shall provide, on each application to practice a  
22 profession pursuant to this title and each application for renewal of a  
23 license, registration or certification to practice such a profession,  
24 space for the applicant to register in the "donate life registry" of  
25 organ, eye and tissue donations established pursuant to section forty-  
26 three hundred ten of the public health law with the following stated on  
27 the application in clear and conspicuous type: "Would you like to be  
28 added to the Donate Life Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this  
29 question'". The regents shall not maintain records of any person who  
30 checks "skip this question". Failure to check "yes" or checking "skip  
31 this question" shall not be construed to imply a wish not to donate. In  
32 the case of an applicant under sixteen years of age, checking "yes"  
33 shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical gift or registration  
34 in the donate life registry. Provided, that where an applicant has  
35 previously consented to make an anatomical gift or registered in the  
36 "donate life registry", failing to check a box shall not impair such  
37 consent or registration.

38 § 9. Section 651 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection  
39 (a-1) to read as follows:

40 (a-1) Organ, eye and tissue donation. The commissioner shall provide  
41 on each return space for the taxpayer or taxpayers to register in the  
42 "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations established  
43 pursuant to section forty-three hundred ten of the public health law  
44 with the following stated on the application in clear and conspicuous  
45 type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check box  
46 for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commissioner shall not maintain  
47 records of any person who checks "skip this question". Failure to check  
48 "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to imply a  
49 wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen years of  
50 age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical  
51 gift or registration in the donate life registry. Provided, that where a  
52 taxpayer has previously consented to make an anatomical gift or regis-  
53 tered in the "donate life registry", failing to check a box shall not  
54 impair such consent or registration.

1 § 10. Paragraph b of subdivision 1 of section 401 of the vehicle and  
2 traffic law is amended by adding a new closing paragraph to read as  
3 follows:

4 The commissioner shall provide on each application for registration  
5 and renewal thereof space for the motor vehicle owner to register in the  
6 "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations established  
7 pursuant to section forty-three hundred ten of the public health law  
8 with the following stated on the application in clear and conspicuous  
9 type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check box  
10 for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The commissioner shall not maintain  
11 records of any person who checks "skip this question". Failure to check  
12 "yes" or checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to imply a  
13 wish not to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen years of  
14 age, checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical  
15 gift or registration in the donate life registry. Provided, that where a  
16 motor vehicle owner has previously consented to make an anatomical gift  
17 or registered in the "donate life registry", failing to check a box  
18 shall not impair such consent or registration.

19 § 11. Section 464 of the judiciary law is amended by adding a new  
20 closing paragraph to read as follows:

21 The chief administrator of the courts shall provide on each applica-  
22 tion for admission to practice, space for the applicant to register in  
23 the "donate life registry" for organ, eye and tissue donations estab-  
24 lished pursuant to section forty-three hundred ten of the public health  
25 law with the following stated on the application in clear and conspicu-  
26 ous type: "Would you like to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check  
27 box for 'yes' or 'skip this question'". The chief administrator of the  
28 courts shall not maintain records of any person who checks "skip this  
29 question". Failure to check "yes" or checking "skip this question"  
30 shall not be construed to imply a wish not to donate. In the case of an  
31 applicant under sixteen years of age, checking "yes" shall not consti-  
32 tute consent to make an anatomical gift or registration in the donate  
33 life registry. Provided, that where an applicant has previously  
34 consented to make an anatomical gift or registered in the "donate life  
35 registry", failing to check a box shall not impair such consent or  
36 registration.

37 § 12. Section 468-a of the judiciary law is amended by adding a new  
38 subdivision 4-a to read as follows:

39 4-a. The chief administrator shall provide on each biennial registra-  
40 tion form space for the attorney to register in the "donate life regis-  
41 try" for organ, eye and tissue donations established pursuant to section  
42 forty-three hundred ten of the public health law with the following  
43 stated on the application in clear and conspicuous type: "Would you like  
44 to be added to the Donate Life Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip  
45 this question'". The chief administrator shall not maintain records of  
46 any person who checks "skip this question". Failure to check "yes" or  
47 checking "skip this question" shall not be construed to imply a wish not  
48 to donate. In the case of an applicant under sixteen years of age,  
49 checking "yes" shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical gift  
50 or registration in the donate life registry. Provided, that where an  
51 attorney has previously consented to make an anatomical gift or regis-  
52 tered in the "donate life registry", failing to check a box shall not  
53 impair such consent or registration.

54 § 13. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 91-a to  
55 read as follows:

1 § 91-a. Organ, eye and tissue donation. The secretary shall provide  
2 on each application to conduct a profession or occupation which is  
3 licensed or registered by the department, and each renewal thereof,  
4 space for the applicant to register in the "donate life registry" for  
5 organ, eye and tissue donations established pursuant to section forty-  
6 three hundred ten of the public health law with the following stated on  
7 the application in clear and conspicuous type: "Would you like to be  
8 added to the Donate Life Registry? Check box for 'yes' or 'skip this  
9 question'". The secretary shall not maintain records of any person who  
10 checks "skip this question". Failure to check "yes" or checking "skip  
11 this question" shall not be construed to imply a wish not to donate. In  
12 the case of an applicant under sixteen years of age, checking "yes"  
13 shall not constitute consent to make an anatomical gift or registration  
14 in the donate life registry. Provided, that where an applicant has  
15 previously consented to make an anatomical gift or registered in the  
16 "donate life registry", failing to check a box shall not impair such  
17 consent or registration.

18 § 14. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-  
19 ing the date on which it shall have become a law; provided, however,  
20 that section three-a of this act shall take effect on the same date and  
21 in the same manner as section 3 of chapter 662 of the laws of 2024,  
22 takes effect. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or  
23 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of  
24 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed  
25 on or before such effective date.