STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring hospitals to have a registered professional nurse as a sitting and voting member of the governing entity responsible for developing the hospital's strategic plan, structure, systems, policies and programs

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

Section 1. Section 2801-a of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 18 to read as follows:

18. All hospitals shall have a registered professional nurse, holding a current unencumbered license from New York state, as a sitting and voting member of the governing entity responsible for developing the hospital's strategic plan, structure, systems, policies and programs. Such board position may be in addition to the maximum number of seats allowed for the governing entity responsible for developing the hospital's strategic plan, structure, systems, policies and programs.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed 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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