

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

February 12, 2025

Introduced by M. of A. REYES, HEVESI, LUNSFORD -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring general hospitals to have a registered professional nurse as a sitting and voting member of the governing entity responsible for developing the general 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:

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

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

11 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
12 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
13 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
14 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
15 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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