STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 21, 2025

Introduced by Sen. STAVISKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to permitting dentists to administer influenza and COVID vaccinations and vaccinations related to a public health emergency

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

Section 1. Section 6601 of the education law, as amended by chapter 576 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows:

§ 6601. Definition of practice of dentistry. The practice of the profession of dentistry is defined as diagnosing, treating, operating, or prescribing for any disease, pain, injury, deformity, or physical condition of the oral and maxillofacial area related to restoring and maintaining dental health. The practice of dentistry includes the prescribing and fabrication of dental prostheses and appliances. The practice of dentistry may include performing physical evaluations in conjunction with the provision of dental treatment **and the administration of vaccinations against influenza and SARS-CoV-2 and vaccinations related to a declared public health emergency**. **Dentists shall be authorized users and report such vaccinations in accordance with the requirements in section twenty-one hundred sixty-eight of the public health law.**

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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