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Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Schimel) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to limiting the number of transitional care unit demonstration programs in counties with a population of more than one million

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 2802-b to read as follows:

S 2802-B. TRANSITIONAL CARE UNIT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS; COUNTIES WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN ONE MILLION. 1. NO ADDITIONAL TRANSITIONAL CARE UNIT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS ARE TO BE CONSIDERED IN TWO THOUSAND TEN AND TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN IN A GENERAL HOSPITAL LOCATED IN A COUNTY OF NEW YORK STATE WITH A POPULATION OF MORE THAN ONE MILLION IN WHICH THERE ARE TWO OR MORE LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES WITHIN A RADIUS OF TWENTY MILES OF A GENERAL HOSPITAL, AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT SUCH LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES HAVE A MINIMUM OF THIRTY-FIVE POST ACUTE CARE OR SUB ACUTE CARE BEDS AND HAVE PROVIDED POST ACUTE CARE OR SUB ACUTE CARE FOR OLDER ADULTS FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE OR MORE YEARS.

2. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "TRANSITIONAL CARE" SHALL MEAN SUB ACUTE CARE SERVICES PROVIDED TO PATIENTS OF A GENERAL HOSPITAL WHO NO LONGER REQUIRE ACUTE CARE GENERAL HOSPITAL INPATIENT SERVICES, BUT CONTINUE TO NEED SPECIALIZED MEDICAL, NURSING, AND OTHER HOSPITAL ANCILLARY SERVICES AND ARE NOT YET APPROPRIATE FOR DISCHARGE.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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