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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring hospitals to obtain the name of the school attended by school-aged patients and to include this information in their admission registration forms

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 230-e to read as follows:

S 230-E. REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS. EVERY PHYSICIAN SHALL INQUIRE AND DOCUMENT AS PART OF HIS OR HER PATIENT REGISTRATION, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE SCHOOL ATTENDED BY SUCH PHYSICIAN'S SCHOOL-AGED PATIENTS AND INCLUDE SUCH INFORMATION IN THE PATIENTS' MEDICAL REGISTRATION FORM.

S 2. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 2805-t to read as follows:

S 2805-T. ADMISSION REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS. ALL HOSPITALS SHALL INQUIRE AND DOCUMENT THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE SCHOOL ATTENDED BY SCHOOL-AGED PATIENTS UPON ADMISSION, AND INCLUDE SUCH INFORMATION ON THE HOSPITALS' ADMISSION REGISTRATION FORM.

S 3. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 2113 to read as follows:

S 2113. INFECTIOUS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASE; NOTIFICATION PROTOCOL FOR SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION TWENTY-ONE HUNDRED TEN OF THIS TITLE, THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY TO A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE. 1. WHERE A SCHOOL-AGED PATIENT IS REGISTERED FOR TREATMENT, ADMITTED WITH AN INFECTIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASE OR ADMITTED FOR OBSERVATION TO RULE OUT AN INFECTIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASE, SUCH HOSPITAL SHALL NOTIFY THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IMMEDIATELY AS REQUIRED BY SECTION TWENTY-ONE HUNDRED ONE OF THIS TITLE. IN A CITY WITH

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

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A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE, HOSPITALS SHALL CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE TO INITIATE THE INSPECTION PROVIDED IN SECTION 17-106 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

2. THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND IN A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, SHALL IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NOTIFY THE SCHOOL ATTENDED BY SUCH PATIENT AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.

3. THE SCHOOL SHALL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THE NOTIFICATION PROTOCOL DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, OR IN A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, IN NOTIFYING THE STUDENTS AND PARENTS OF SUCH SCHOOL.

S 4. Subdivision 1 of section 2101 of the public health law is amended to read as follows:

1. Every physician shall immediately give notice of every case of communicable disease required by the department to be reported to it, to the health officer of the local health district where such disease occurs. WHERE SUCH CASE INVOLVES A SCHOOL-AGED PATIENT, SUCH LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER SHALL IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NOTIFY THE SCHOOL ATTENDED BY SUCH PATIENT AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AND SUCH SCHOOL SHALL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW THE STUDENT AND PARENT NOTIFICATION PROTOCOL, AS REFERENCED IN SUBDIVISION THREE OF SECTION TWENTY-ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN OF THIS TITLE. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION TWENTY-ONE HUNDRED TEN OF THIS TITLE, THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL APPLY TO A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE.

S 5. This act shall take effect immediately.