AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to restricting access to dextromethorphan, commonly known as "dxm"

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 6811-c to read as follows:

S 6811-C. RESTRICTED ACCESS TO RETAIL SALE OF DEXTROMETHORPHAN, COMMONLY KNOWN AS "DXM". ANY RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT THAT SELLS ANY PRODUCT OR PRODUCTS CONTAINING AS THE ONLY ACTIVE INGREDIENT DEXTROMETHORPHAN, SHALL LIMIT ACCESS TO SUCH PRODUCTS IN A MANNER DESIGNED TO PREVENT THE MISUSE OR ABUSE OF SUCH PRODUCTS. SUCH LIMITATIONS SHALL INCLUDE REMOVING SUCH PRODUCTS FROM SHELVES AND OTHER LOCATIONS THAT ARE DIRECTLY ACCESSIBLE BY CUSTOMERS, AND PLACING SUCH PRODUCTS BEHIND A PHARMACY COUNTER SO THAT A CONSUMER MUST REQUEST SUCH PRODUCTS IN ORDER TO OBTAIN SUCH PRODUCTS FROM AN EMPLOYEE WORKING IN THE PHARMACY. IF THE RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT WISHES TO SELL SUCH PRODUCTS BUT DOES NOT MAINTAIN A PHARMACY AT THAT RETAIL LOCATION, SUCH PRODUCTS SHALL BE MADE SECURE SUCH THAT THEY MAY ONLY BE ACCESSED BY A MANAGER, ASSISTANT MANAGER, ACTING MANAGER OR OTHER SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL AT SUCH LOCATION.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the rules and regulations necessary to implement section one of this act shall be promulgated and take effect on or before the one hundred eightieth day after this act shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.  LBD10203-01-9