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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to contents to be contained in a certificate of death

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

Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 4141 of the public health law is amended by adding a new paragraph (e) to read as follows:

(E) WHERE A DEATH IS CAUSED BY INJURIES RELATED TO THE TERRORIST ATTACKS ON SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH, TWO THOUSAND ONE, SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE INDICATED, INCLUDING ANY RELATED INFORMATION AS THE COMMISSIONER MAY REQUIRE.

S 2. Subdivision 3 of section 4143 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 545 of the laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

3. The coroner or medical examiner whose duty it is to investigate the death and to execute the certificate of death, shall state in such certificate the name of the disease causing death, or if from external causes, the means of death; whether probably accidental, suicidal or homicidal; OR WHERE A DEATH IS CAUSED BY INJURIES RELATING TO THE TERRORIST ATTACKS ON SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH, TWO THOUSAND ONE, SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE INDICATED, and shall, in any case, furnish such information as may be required by the commissioner in order to classify the death.

S 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth 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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