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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to research relating to the health effects of artificial night light

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 201 of the public health law is amended by adding a new paragraph (t) to read as follows:

(T) ENGAGE IN AND/OR SUPPORT RESEARCH INTO THE HEALTH EFFECTS OF ARTIFICIAL NIGHT LIGHT INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO RESEARCH ON INDICATORS THAT EXPOSURE TO LIGHT AT NIGHT MAY BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE INCREASED RISK OF DEVELOPING BREAST CANCER BY SUPPRESSING THE NORMAL NOCTURNAL PRODUCTION OF MELATONIN BY THE PINEAL GLAND, WITHIN FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE FOR SUCH PURPOSES INCLUDING RESEARCH FUNDS FROM NON-STATE, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SOURCES;

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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