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Introduced by Sen. GRISANTI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to protection from hexavalent chromium contamination

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 1100-b to read as follows:

S 1100-B. HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL PUBLIC SUPPLIES OF POTABLE WATERS FROM HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM CONTAMINATION. SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS SHALL PROVIDE THAT THE MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL) FOR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM IN SUCH PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES BE NO GREATER THAN 0.02 PARTS PER BILLION.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that if the United States Environmental Protection Agency adopts a drinking water standard with the maximum contaminant level for hexavalent chromium that is less than the maximum contaminant level established by the commissioner of health, then this act shall expire and be deemed repealed. The commissioner of health or his or her designee shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission of the occurrence of federal regulations causing the repeal of this act in order that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective data base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York in furtherance of effecting the provisions of section 70-b of the public officers law.

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

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