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AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to requiring sunscreen products to be labeled with a best if used before date

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

- 1     Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new section  
2     399-j to read as follows:  
3     S 399-J. DATE LABELING OF SUNSCREEN PRODUCTS. 1. IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL  
4     FOR ANY PERSON, FIRM, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY CORPO-  
5     RATION, OR OTHER ENTITY TO MANUFACTURE, FOR SALE, RESALE, OR DISTRIB-  
6     UTION IN THIS STATE, SUNSCREEN WHICH DOES NOT CONTAIN A LABEL INDICATING  
7     A DATE ON WHICH THE PRODUCT IS BEST IF USED BEFORE. THE DATE REQUIRED BY  
8     THIS SECTION SHALL BE LABELED BY MONTH AND YEAR.  
9     2. NO PERSON, FIRM, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY CORPO-  
10    RATION, OR OTHER ENTITY SHALL SELL SUNSCREEN WHICH IT KNOWS DOES NOT  
11    CONTAIN THE LABELING INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS  
12    SECTION.  
13    3. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, SUNSCREEN SHALL MEAN A TOPICAL, NON-  
14    DOSAGE PRODUCT INTENDED FOR USE STRICTLY AS A HUMAN OTC DRUG PRODUCT,  
15    AND NOT ALSO A COSMETIC PRODUCT, AND LABELED WITH THE TERM "SPF" AND  
16    LABELED SOLELY FOR USE IN SUNBURN PROTECTION, AND CONTAINING AT LEAST  
17    ONE ACTIVE INGREDIENT LISTED IN 21 C.F.R. 352.10 THAT ABSORBS, REFLECTS  
18    OR SCATTERS RADIATION.  
19    4. WHENEVER THERE SHALL BE A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION, AN APPLICATION  
20    MAY BE MADE BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE OF THE  
21    STATE OF NEW YORK TO A COURT OR JUSTICE HAVING JURISDICTION BY A SPECIAL  
22    PROCEEDING TO ISSUE AN INJUNCTION, AND UPON NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT OF  
23    NOT LESS THAN FIVE DAYS, TO ENJOIN OR RESTRAIN THE CONTINUANCE OF SUCH  
24    VIOLATION; AND IF IT SHALL APPEAR TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COURT OR  
25    JUSTICE THAT THE DEFENDANT HAS, IN FACT, VIOLATED THIS SECTION, AN  
26    INJUNCTION MAY BE ISSUED BY SUCH COURT OR JUSTICE, ENJOINING AND

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

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1 RESTRAINING ANY FURTHER VIOLATION, WITHOUT REQUIRING PROOF THAT ANY  
2 PERSON HAS, IN FACT, BEEN INJURED OR DAMAGED THEREBY. IN ANY SUCH  
3 PROCEEDING, THE COURT MAY MAKE ALLOWANCES TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AS  
4 PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH SIX OF SUBDIVISION (A) OF SECTION EIGHTY-THREE  
5 HUNDRED THREE OF THE CIVIL PRACTICE LAW AND RULES, AND DIRECT RESTITU-  
6 TION. WHENEVER THE COURT SHALL DETERMINE THAT A VIOLATION OF THIS  
7 SECTION HAS OCCURRED, THE COURT MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY OF NOT MORE  
8 THAN TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS FOR EACH SUCH VIOLATION. IN CONNECTION  
9 WITH ANY SUCH PROPOSED APPLICATION, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS AUTHORIZED  
10 TO TAKE PROOF AND MAKE A DETERMINATION OF THE RELEVANT FACTS AND TO  
11 ISSUE SUBPOENAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CIVIL PRACTICE LAW AND RULES.  
12 ANY MONETARY PENALTIES THAT ARE SECURED BY THE STATE SHALL BE UTILIZED  
13 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SUNSCREEN EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

14 S 2. This act shall take effect two years after it shall have become a  
15 law; provided that it shall be repealed upon the adoption by the United  
16 States Food and Drug Administration of a final OTC drug monograph for  
17 sunscreen products; provided that the commissioner of health shall noti-  
18 fy the legislative bill drafting commission upon the occurrence of the  
19 adoption of a final OTC drug monograph for sunscreen products provided  
20 for in this act in order that the commission may maintain an accurate  
21 and timely effective data base of the official text of the laws of the  
22 state of New York in furtherance of effectuating the provisions of  
23 section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public offi-  
24 cers law.