Introduced by M. of A. HOOPER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to authorizing the Nassau health care corporation to enter into agreements for the creation and operation of a health care delivery system network

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

Section 1. Section 3405 of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new subdivision 10 to read as follows:

10. IN THE EXERCISE OF THE FOREGOING SPECIAL POWERS ESTABLISHED IN THIS SECTION AND THE GENERAL POWERS SET FORTH IN SECTION THIRTY-FOUR HUNDRED FOUR OF THIS TITLE, THE CORPORATION IS AUTHORIZED, IN CARRYING OUT ITS HEALTHCARE PURPOSES, TO ENGAGE IN ARRANGEMENTS, CONTRACTS, INFORMATION SHARING AND ACTIVITIES WITH PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ENTITIES AND INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION: JOINT VENTURES; JOINT NEGOTIATIONS WITH PHYSICIANS, HOSPITALS AND PAYORS, WHETHER SUCH NEGOTIATIONS RESULT IN SEPARATE OR COMBINED AGREEMENTS; LEASES; AND/OR AGREEMENTS WHICH INVOLVE DELIVERY SYSTEM NETWORK CREATION AND OPERATION, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE COMPETITIVE CONSEQUENCES OF THE FOREGOING COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES, AND NOTWITHSTANDING THAT THEY MAY HAVE THE EFFECT OF DISPLACING COMPETITION IN THE PROVISION OF HOSPITAL, PHYSICIAN OR OTHER HEALTHCARE-RELATED SERVICES, SUCH THAT THE CORPORATION AND THE PRIVATE ENTITIES AND INDIVIDUALS WITH WHICH IT COLLABORATES SHALL BE IMMUNIZED FROM LIABILITY UNDER THE FEDERAL AND STATE ANTITRUST LAWS.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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