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Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL, WEPRIN -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of
A. COLTON, COOK, HOOPER, McDONOUGH -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting vivisection at colleges and universities in the state where a scientifically and educationally satisfactory method or strategy exists

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 817 to
2 read as follows:
3 S 817. VIVISECTION PROHIBITED. 1. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
4 (A) "VIVISECTION" MEANS EXPERIMENTATION THROUGH SURGERY ON A LIVING
5 ORGANISM TO VIEW LIVING INTERNAL STRUCTURE.
6 (B) "SCIENTIFICALLY AND EDUCATIONALLY SATISFACTORY METHOD OR STRATEGY"
7 MEANS A TEACHING METHOD OR STRATEGY THAT ACCOMPLISHES THE GOAL OF THE
8 PROPOSED EDUCATION OR TRAINING OR TEACHING METHOD OR STRATEGY THAT IS
9 USED BY A MAJORITY OF OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ACCOM-
10 PLISH THE SAME GOAL.
11 2. VIVISECTION IS PROHIBITED AT ALL COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, PROFES-
12 SIONAL, PROPRIETARY OR GRADUATE SCHOOLS IN THE STATE WHERE AN ALTERNA-
13 TIVE SCIENTIFICALLY AND EDUCATIONALLY SATISFACTORY METHOD OR STRATEGY
14 EXISTS.
15 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
16 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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