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Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to continuing medical  
education on pain management, palliative care and addiction

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

1     Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 3 of section 3309-a of  
2     the public health law, as added by a chapter of the laws of 2015 amend-  
3     ing the public health law relating to the prescription pain medication  
4     awareness program, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.4348 and  
5     A.355, is amended to read as follows:  
6     The commissioner, in consultation with the commissioner of education,  
7     shall establish standards, and review and implement requirements for the  
8     performance of continuing medical education on pain management, pallia-  
9     tive care and addiction. Every health care professional licensed,  
10    registered or certified under title eight of the education law to treat  
11    humans and registered under the federal controlled substances act and in  
12    possession of a registration number from the drug enforcement adminis-  
13    tration, United States Department of Justice, or its successor agency,  
14    shall, [every two years] PRIOR TO RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION TO PRACTICE,  
15    complete three hours of course work as set forth in this section;  
16    provided, however, that said hours shall be deemed to count toward the  
17    professional's obligation for board certification OR EXISTING CONTINUING  
18    EDUCATION REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE.  
19    S 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
20    manner as a chapter of the laws of 2015 amending the public health law  
21    relating to the prescription pain medication awareness program, as  
22    proposed in legislative bills numbers S.4348 and A.355, takes effect,  
23    provided that the amendments to subdivision 3 of section 3309-a of the  
24    public health law, made by section one of this act, shall not affect the  
25    expiration and repeal of such subdivision, and shall expire and be  
26    deemed repealed therewith.

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

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