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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:
  - 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 ACCOM10 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.

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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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