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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to sharing information for criminal investigations

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

Section 1. Section 206 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 30 to read as follows:

30. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, ANY DATA OR INFORMATION IT HAS ACQUIRED RELATING TO PRESCRIPTIONS FOR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ISSUED IN THIS STATE. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES SHALL ENSURE THAT THE USE OF SUCH DATA OR INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE COMMISSIONER DOES NOT VIOLATE THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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