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Introduced by Sen. GRIFFO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to sudden, unexpected death in epilepsy

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

1 Section 1. Section 4210 of the public health law is amended by adding  
2 a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:  
3 5. WHEN AN AUTOPSY OF THE BODY IS CONDUCTED OF A DECEASED HUMAN WHO  
4 HAS EPILEPSY OR A HISTORY OF SEIZURES IT SHALL INCLUDE AN INVESTIGATION  
5 AND DETERMINATIONS AS TO WHETHER THE DECEASED SUFFERED A SUDDEN UNEX-  
6 PECTED DEATH IN EPILEPSY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY  
7 THE COMMISSIONER. IN THE EVENT THE DECEASED DID SUFFER A SUDDEN, UNEX-  
8 PECTED DEATH IN EPILEPSY, SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE NOTED ON THE MEDICAL  
9 CERTIFICATE AND BE REPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN THREE BUSINESS  
10 DAYS.  
11 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
12 it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediate-  
13 ly, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation  
14 necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is  
15 authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such  
16 effective date.

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

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