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Introduced by Sens. AMEDORE, MURPHY, ORTT, AKSHAR, CARLUCCI, CROCI, DeFRANCISCO, LARKIN, MARCHIONE, O'MARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to reporting of opioid overdose data; and providing for the repeal of certain provisions upon expiration thereof

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

Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 3309 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 42 of the laws of 2014, is amended and a new subdivision 6 is added to read as follows:

5. The commissioner shall publish findings on statewide opioid overdose data that reviews overdose death rates and other information to ascertain changes in the cause and rates of OPIOID OVERDOSES, INCLUDING fatal opioid overdoses. The report [may be part of existing state mortality reports issued by the department, and] shall be submitted annually, ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER FIRST, to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly[,] and the chairs of the senate and assembly health committees, AND SHALL BE MADE PUBLIC ON THE DEPARTMENT'S INTERNET WEBSITE. The report shall include, at a minimum, the following information ON A COUNTY BASIS:

(a) information on opioid OVERDOSES AND OPIOID overdose deaths, including age, gender, ethnicity, and geographic location;

(b) data on emergency room utilization for the treatment of opioid overdose;

(c) data on utilization of pre-hospital services;

(d) data on THE DISPENSING AND utilization of opioid antagonists; and

(e) any other information necessary to ascertain the success of the program, AREAS OF THE STATE WHICH ARE EXPERIENCING PARTICULARLY HIGH RATES OF OVERDOSES, WAYS TO DETERMINE IF SERVICES, RESOURCES AND RESPONSES IN PARTICULAR AREAS OF THE STATE ARE HAVING A POSITIVE IMPACT ON REDUCING OVERDOSES, and ways to further reduce overdoses.

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

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6. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROVIDE THE CURRENT INFORMATION AND DATA SPECIFIED IN SUBDIVISION FIVE OF THIS SECTION TO EACH COUNTY ON A MONTHLY BASIS. SUCH INFORMATION AND DATA MAY BE UTILIZED BY A COUNTY OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF AS IT WORKS TO ADDRESS THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately, provided that subdivision 6 of section 3309 of the public health law, as added by section one of this act, shall expire and be deemed repealed March 31, 2021.