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Introduced by Sen. SAVINO -- 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 registered organizations for dispensing marihuana for medical use and dispensing sites operated by such registered organizations

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

Section 1. Subdivision 13 of section 3364 of the public health law, as added by chapter 90 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

13. EACH REGISTERED ORGANIZATION SHALL BE PERMITTED TO DIRECTLY CONTACT PRACTITIONERS FOR THE PURPOSES OF EDUCATION AND PROVIDING INFORMATION ABOUT THIS TITLE. ANY SUCH EDUCATION AND PROVISION OF INFORMATION SHALL NOT SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH (III) OF SUBDIVISION TWELVE OF SECTION THIRTY-THREE HUNDRED SIXTY OF THIS TITLE. The commissioner is authorized to make rules and regulations restricting the advertising and marketing of medical marihuana, which shall be consistent with the federal regulations governing prescription drug advertising and marketing.

S 2. Subdivision 9 of section 3365 of the public health law, as added by chapter 90 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

9. The commissioner shall register no more than five registered organizations that manufacture medical marihuana with no more than [four] EIGHT dispensing sites wholly owned and operated by such registered organization. The commissioner shall ensure that such registered organizations and dispensing sites are geographically distributed across the state. The [commission] COMMISSIONER may register additional registered organizations.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the amendments to subdivision 13 of section 3364 and subdivision 9 of section 3365 of the public health law, made by sections one and two of this act, shall not affect the repeal of such sections and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

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

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