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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring the compilation of the number of deaths by opioid overdose

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 4100 of the public health law is  
2 amended by adding a new paragraph (j) to read as follows:  
3     (J) REQUIRE THE COMPILATION OF THE NUMBER OF DEATHS BY OPIOID OVER-  
4 DOSE, AS DETERMINED BY THE NUMBER OF DEATH CERTIFICATES RECEIVED WHERE  
5 SUCH A MANNER OF DEATH IS INDICATED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (D) OF SUBDI-  
6 VISION FOUR OF SECTION FORTY-ONE HUNDRED FORTY-ONE OF THIS ARTICLE. THE  
7 COMMISSIONER SHALL COMPILE THE NUMBER OF OPIOID OVERDOSE DEATHS ON A  
8 STATEWIDE AND COUNTY-BY-COUNTY BASIS ON NO LESS THAN A QUARTERLY BASIS  
9 AND RELEASE THIS INFORMATION, LESS ANY PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMA-  
10 TION, ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE. IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, THE COMMIS-  
11 SIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE CITY OF NEW YORK SHALL BE  
12 CHARGED WITH COLLECTING AND FORWARDING THE APPROPRIATE INFORMATION  
13 REGARDING THE NUMBER OF OPIOID OVERDOSE DEATHS OCCURRING WITHIN HIS OR  
14 HER JURISDICTION TO THE COMMISSIONER ON NO LESS THAN A MONTHLY BASIS.  
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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