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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to prohibiting prior authorization for the dispensing of buprenorphine for the treatment of opioid addiction

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

1 Section 1. Section 364-j of the social services law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision 26-a to read as follows:

3 26-A. NO MANAGED CARE PROVIDER SHALL REQUIRE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FOR
4 ANY PRESCRIPTION OR RENEWAL THEREOF FOR THE DISPENSING OF BUPRENORPHINE
5 WHICH IS PRESCRIBED AS A TREATMENT FOR OPIOID ADDICTION.

6 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately, provided that the amend-
7 ment to section 364-j of the social services law, made by section one of
8 this act, shall not affect the expiration and repeal of such section,
9 and shall expire and be deemed repealed therewith.

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

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