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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the reporting of  
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 THE EVENT THE DECEASED DID SUFFER A SUDDEN,  
7     UNEXPECTED DEATH IN EPILEPSY, SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE NOTED ON THE  
8     MEDICAL CERTIFICATE AND BE REPORTED TO THE NORTH AMERICAN SUDEP REGIS-  
9     TRY.  
10    S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
11    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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