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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ABINANTI -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the substitution of brand name epinephrine auto-injectors with alternate epinephrine auto-injectors for dispensation by pharmacists

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 Section 1. Section 6816-a of the education law is amended by adding a 2 new subdivision 3 to read as follows:
- 3. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision two of this section or any other section of law to the contrary, when a patient is prescribed a brand name epinephrine auto-injector, a pharmacist may substitute an alternate epinephrine auto-injector containing the same active ingredients, dosage form and strength as the brand name product prescribed, ordered or demanded, regardless of whether the alternate epinephrine auto-injector is included in the latest list of interchangeable drug products for the prescribed epinephrine auto-injector device, provided that:
- 11 (i) the prescriber does not indicate that the prescription therefor 12 shall be dispensed as written pursuant to paragraph (a) of subdivision 13 six of section sixty-eight hundred ten of this article;
- 14 <u>(ii) the alternate epinephrine auto-injector available would reflect a</u>
 15 <u>lower unit cost to the purchaser; and</u>
- 16 (iii) the pharmacist has advised the purchaser of the availability of 17 an alternate epinephrine auto-injector and obtained consent to dispense 18 the alternate epinephrine auto-injector.
- 19 (b) For purposes of this subdivision "epinephrine auto-injector" shall 20 have the same meaning as provided in paragraph (b) of subdivision one of 21 section three thousand-c of the public health law.
- 22 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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