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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 3, 2017

Introduced by Sens. DIAZ, HAMILTON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to the New York state prescription medication cost containment program

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

Section 1. The civil service law is amended by adding a new section 2 159-d to read as follows:

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§ 159-d. New York state prescription medication cost containment 4 program. 1. The president, as defined in subdivision two of section two 5 of this chapter is authorized and directed to create the New York state prescription medication cost containment program.

2. Such program shall offer New York state residents who are employed in the civil service of the state or New York state residents who are retired from state service and are participating in the New York state 10 health insurance plan (NYSHIP) and their dependents, several options to fill medical prescriptions through a Canadian mail order company. Such 12 companies shall be selected through competitive bidding process, to be 13 designed and implemented by the president, as defined in subdivision two 14 of section two of this chapter. Canadian drug suppliers shall include, 15 but shall not be limited to all manufacturers and distributors by 16 <u>Canada's researched based pharmaceutical companies.</u>

§ 2. Nothing contained in this act shall supersede or diminish the 17 18 terms of a collective bargaining agreement.

19 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after 20 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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