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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. HOYLMAN, RIVERA -- read twice and ordered printed,  
and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the content of  
birth certificates

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

1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "the modern  
2 family birth certificate act".

3 § 2. Section 4132 of the public health law is amended by adding a new  
4 subdivision 5 to read as follows:

5 5. Each parent of the child may choose to be designated on the certifi-  
6 cate of birth as "father" or "mother", as applicable, or as "parent".

7 § 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of January next  
8 succeeding the date upon which it shall have become a law; provided  
9 that, effective immediately, the commissioner of the department of  
10 health shall promulgate appropriate rules and regulations for the imple-  
11 mentation of the provisions of this act on or before its effective date.

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

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