

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. GALLIVAN -- (at request of the State Commission of Correction) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Crime Victims, Crime and Correction -- reported favorably from said committee and committed to the Committee on Rules -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to health care services for county jail inmates

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

1 Section 1. Section 501 of the correction law is amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 § 501. Jail physician. 1. The board of supervisors of each county,  
4 except New York, must appoint some reputable physician, duly authorized  
5 to practice medicine, as the physician to the jail of the county. If  
6 there is more than one jail they must appoint a physician to each. The  
7 physician to a jail holds his office at the pleasure of the board which  
8 appointed him, except in the county of Kings. In that county, the term  
9 of his office is three years.

10 2. Notwithstanding subdivision one of this section, a county board of  
11 supervisors may instead procure the services of a professional partner-  
12 ship, a professional service corporation, a professional service limited  
13 liability company or a registered limited liability company, duly  
14 authorized to practice medicine in the state, for the purpose of provid-  
15 ing health services to the inmates of the jail, provided that one physi-  
16 cian from any such professional partnership, professional services  
17 corporation, professional service limited liability company or regis-  
18 tered limited liability company shall be designated by the board to act  
19 as the chief medical officer of the jail.

20 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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