

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. HANNON -- 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 limiting the initial prescription of a controlled substance for the alleviation of acute pain from a seven-day supply to a three-day supply

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 5 of section 3331 of the  
2 public health law, as added by section 1 of part C of chapter 71 of the  
3 laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

4 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivi-  
5 sion, a practitioner, within the scope of his or her professional opin-  
6 ion or discretion, may not prescribe more than a [~~seven-day~~ three-day  
7 supply of any schedule II, III, or IV opioid to an ultimate user upon  
8 the initial consultation or treatment of such user for acute pain. Upon  
9 any subsequent consultations for the same pain, the practitioner may  
10 issue, in accordance with paragraph (a) of this subdivision, any appro-  
11 priate renewal, refill, or new prescription for the opioid or any other  
12 drug.

13 § 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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