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Introduced by Sen. AKSHAR -- 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 waiving a registration fee for basic life support first response agencies

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 579 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 479 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The department may issue a certificate of registration authorizing the performance of one or more waived tests or provider-performed microscopy procedures for a period of up to two years if the applicant: (i) files a completed application with the department on such forms as the commissioner may prescribe; (ii) provides documentation acceptable to the department demonstrating the ability to comply with the requirements of this subdivision; and (iii) pays a two hundred dollar biennial registration fee for each location where services are rendered; except that a voluntary ambulance service **and a basic life support first response agency** as defined in article thirty of the public health law and operated under section two hundred nine-b of the general municipal law shall be exempt from the requirement to pay a fee to obtain this certificate of registration; and except that the following may operate multiple locations under a single registration and pay a single registration fee: (A) not-for-profit, state or local government laboratories or programs engaged in limited public health testing not exceeding fifteen types of tests per registration; or (B) applicants that maintain a fixed location in the state and are approved by the department to move from testing site to testing site.

§ 2. Section 3001 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 22 to read as follows:

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

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22. "Basic life support first response agency" means an agency or organization determined by the department of health to be a basic life support non-transporting EMS agency.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.