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IN SENATE

May 10, 2019

Introduced by Sen. METZGER -- 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 prescription monitoring program registry being used to investigate prescribers

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

Section 1. Subdivision 7 of section 3343-a of the public health law, 2 as added by section 2 of part A of chapter 447 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

- 7. Department analysis of data. (a) The department shall periodically 5 analyze data contained in the prescription monitoring program registry to identify information that indicates that a violation of law or breach of professional standards may have occurred and, as warranted, provide any relevant information to appropriate entities as permitted under section thirty-three hundred seventy-one of this article. The department shall keep a record of the information provided, including, but not limited to, the specific information provided and the agency to which 12 such information was provided, including the name and title of the person to whom such information was provided and an attestation from 13 14 such person that he or she has authority to receive such information.
- 15 (b) The department shall identify and investigate prescribers with 16 statistically high prescribing patterns. If the department reasonably 17 believes after such investigation that a violation of the law has 18 occurred the department shall provide such information to the attorney 19 general.
 - § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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