AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring the department of health to collect and maintain data relating to the sexual orientation and gender identity of individuals diagnosed with COVID-19.

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

Section 1. Section 206 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 31 to read as follows:

31. The department shall, in coordination with local departments of health, collect and maintain data relating to the sexual orientation and gender identity of individuals who are diagnosed with COVID-19.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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