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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. RIVERA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the establishment of obstetric hemorrhage protocols; and providing for the repeal of certain provisions upon the expiration thereof

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 2803-n of the public health law is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

(c) (i) The commissioner shall provide guidance to hospitals on obstetric hemorrhage protocols, in consultation with clinical experts, and develop or identify an existing toolkit on obstetric hemorrhage management, which may include a hemorrhage care checklist for use by hospitals as part of the protocols and guidance on simulation training. The commissioner shall report to the temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly on data reported to the department under this paragraph within two years from the effective date of this paragraph, and every two years thereafter.

(ii) The hospital shall adopt, implement, periodically update and submit to the department standard protocols for management of obstetric hemorrhage. Such protocols shall address early recognition and assessment, readiness to respond in a multidisciplinary manner, and data reporting to the department sufficient for the department to monitor and report pursuant to this paragraph. Such protocols shall utilize risk assessment tools such as the toolkit established or identified by the department under this paragraph and shall include a response plan providing for the triage and transfer to higher level facilities if needed.

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

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§ 2. This act shall take effect six months after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the commissioner of health shall make regulations and take other actions reasonably necessary to implement this act on that date.