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IN SENATE

January 16, 2021

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 2 health law, as amended by chapter 479 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

3 (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 10 11 registration fee for each location where services are rendered; except 12 that a voluntary ambulance service and a basic life support first 13 response agency as defined in article thirty of the public health law 14 and operated under section two hundred nine-b of the general municipal 15 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 regis-17 tration fee: (A) not-for-profit, state or local government laboratories 18 or programs engaged in limited public health testing not exceeding 19 20 fifteen types of tests per registration; or (B) applicants that maintain 21 a fixed location in the state and are approved by the department to move 22 from testing site to testing site.

§ 2. Section 3001 of the public health law is amended by adding a new 24 subdivision 22 to read as follows:

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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.