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Introduced by Sens. REICHLIN-MELNICK, BROOKS, MANNION, PALUMBO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the public health law and the social services law, in relation to children's non-regulated camps

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

Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 1394-c to read as follows:

§ 1394-c. Requirement to check sex offender registry. Every person, firm, limited liability company, association and corporation which operates a children's non-regulated camp as defined in section three hundred ninety-eight-f of the general business law shall be required to ascertain whether an employee or volunteer is listed on the state sex offender registry pursuant to article six-C of the correction law prior to the day such employee or volunteer commences work at such camp and annually thereafter prior to their arrival at such camp.

2. Subdivision 1 of section 424-a of the social services law is 12 amended by adding a new paragraph (d-2) to read as follows:

(d-2) every person, firm, limited liability company, association and operation which operates a camp that falls under the provisions of article thirteen-B of the public health law or a children's non-regulated camp as defined in section three hundred ninety-eight-f of the general business law, for every employee or volunteer, prior to the employment 18 start date, shall inquire of the office of children and family services, and the office shall, upon receipt of such inquiry and subject to the 20 provisions of paragraph (b) or (e) of subdivision one of this section, inform such and the subject of the inquiry whether any person who is 22 actively being considered for employment and who will have the potential

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

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for regular and substantial contact with children is the subject of an indicated child abuse and maltreatment report on file with the statewide central register of child abuse and maltreatment.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.