STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ENGLEBRIGHT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring health-care workers practicing in close proximity to children less than twelve months of age to be vaccinated against pertussis

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

Section 1. Section 2166 of the public health law, as added by chapter 573 of the laws of 1999, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2166. Immunization; regulations. **1.** The commissioner may promulgate regulations with respect to immunization conducted by a home care services agency licensed pursuant to section thirty-six hundred five of this chapter or certified pursuant to section thirty-six hundred eight of this chapter, facilities or institutions established under article twenty-eight of this chapter, and other health care providers and practitioners, including, but not limited to, standards for the quality of care and services provided, consistent with the education law.

2. Personnel working in health care settings who are reasonably expected to come into contact with children twelve months old or younger in the health care setting shall be vaccinated against pertussis, as provided in regulations of the commissioner.

3. Regulations promulgated under this section shall be consistent with the standards approved by the United States public health service.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date upon which 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 date.

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

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