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Introduced by Sens. SKOUFIS, MAY, RIVERA -- 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 requiring infection updates and infection control planning in residential health care facilities

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

Section 1. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 12 of section 2803 of the public health law is amended by adding a new clause (C) to read as follows:

(C) to update all residents, authorized family members, and guardians of residents at the facility within twelve hours of the detection of the presence of an infection by a resident or staff member by electronic means or such other means as may be selected by each resident, authorized family member, or guardian.

§ 2. Subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 12 of section 2803 of the public health law is amended by adding a new clause (C) to read as follows:

(C) a plan or procedure designating a separate cohort area during an infectious disease outbreak in the residential health care facility for the separation of residents that are suspected of being infectious, including the creation of a designated infectious disease care unit.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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