STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 6, 2021

Introduced by Sen. HINCHEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to reporting of alcohol overdose data; and to amend chapter 66 of the laws of 2016, amending the public health law, relating to reporting of opioid overdose data, in relation to making such provisions permanent

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

Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 3309 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 66 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

5. The commissioner shall publish findings on statewide opioid **and alcohol** overdose data that reviews overdose death rates and other information to ascertain changes in the cause and rates of opioid **and alcohol** overdoses, including fatal opioid **and alcohol** overdoses. The report shall be submitted annually, on or before October first, to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly and the chairs of the senate and assembly health committees, and shall be made public on the department's internet website. The report shall include, at a minimum, the following information on a county basis:

(a) information on opioid **and alcohol** overdoses and opioid **and alcohol** overdose deaths, including age, gender, ethnicity, and geographic location;

(b) data on emergency room utilization for the treatment of opioid **and alcohol** overdose;

(c) data on utilization of pre-hospital services;

(d) data on the dispensing and utilization of opioid antagonists; and

(e) any other information necessary to ascertain the success of the program, areas of the state which are experiencing particularly high rates of overdoses, ways to determine if services, resources and

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

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responses in particular areas of the state are having a positive impact on reducing overdoses, and ways to further reduce overdoses.

§ 2. Subdivision 6 of section 3309 of the public health law, as amended by section 1 of part B of chapter 70 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

6. The commissioner shall provide the current information and data specified **by each type of drug included** in **the report required by** subdivision five of this section to each county every three months. Such information and data **shall be posted on the office of addiction services and supports' website and** may be utilized by a county or any combination thereof as it works to address the opioid epidemic.

§ 3. Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subdivision 3-a of section 3309 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 504 of the laws of 2019, are amended to read as follows:

(c) the number for the toll free office of [~~alcoholism and substance abuse~~] **addiction** services **and supports'** HOPE line;

(d) how to access the office of [~~alcoholism and substance abuse services'~~] **addiction services and supports'** website;

§ 4. Section 2 of chapter 66 of the laws of 2016, amending the public health law, relating to reporting of opioid overdose data, as amended by section 12 of part S of chapter 57 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately[~~, provided that subdivision 6 of section 3309 of the public health law, as added by section one of this act, shall expire and be deemed repealed March 31, 2026~~].

§ 5. This act shall take effect immediately.