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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN, WEINSTEIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring hospitals and residential health care facilities to implement a pressure ulcer prevention program

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

Section 1. Section 2803 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 15 to read as follows:

15. (a) The commissioner shall require each general hospital and residential health care facility to develop and implement a pressure ulcer prevention program.

(b) Within one hundred twenty days of the effective date of this subdivision, the commissioner shall evaluate current reimbursement policies in regard to pressure ulcer prevention programs including durable medical equipment, education and training. Within six months after the effective date of this subdivision, the commissioner shall develop a menu of reimbursement alternatives that would reduce the incidence of pressure ulcers across all health care settings.

(c) By October first, two thousand twenty-four the commissioner shall establish a pressure ulcer prevention center of excellence within the department.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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