STATE OF NEW YORK

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to certifying certain professionals as emergency service technicians to service rural areas

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

Section 1. Section 3002 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 9 to read as follows:

9. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the commissioner, in consultation with the state emergency medical services council, shall develop a certification process to allow for certified registered nurse anesthetists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants or physicians who have been in continuous practice, who have demonstrated competence in applicable behavioral and performance objectives, and who have demonstrated completion of appropriate continuing education, to become certified as an emergency service technician or emergency service paramedic to provide emergency medical services in rural areas of the state. Such certification shall be based on a certified registered nurse anesthetist, nurse practitioner, physician assistant or physician's curriculum vitae, experience and certifications. Priority shall be given to certified registered nurse anesthetists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants or physicians who are independently licensed and have the authority to write prescriptions for a patient.

§ 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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