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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SKOUFIS -- 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 children enrolled in an overnight, children's non-regulated, summer day, or travelling camp to be vaccinated

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

Section 1. Section 1392 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3-a to read as follows:

3-a. "Children's non-regulated camp" shall mean a property consisting of a tract of land and any tents, vehicles, buildings or other structures that may be pertinent to its use, any part of which may be occupied on a scheduled basis by persons under sixteen years of age under general supervision for the purpose of indoor or outdoor organized group activities, involving passive and nonpassive recreational activities, which are not subject to the provisions of this article.

§ 2. Section 1394 of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 6-a to read as follows:

6-a. Each children's overnight, children's non-regulated, summer day, and travelling summer day camp shall ensure that every child enrolled at such camp has been administered an adequate dose or doses of an immunizing agent against poliomyelitis, mumps, measles, diphtheria, rubella, varicella, Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib), pertussis, tetanus, pneumococcal disease, and hepatitis B, which meets the standards approved by the United States public health service for such biological products, and which is approved by the department under such conditions as may be specified by the public health council. If any health practitioner, as defined in section twenty-one hundred sixty-four of this chapter, certifies that such immunization may be detrimental to a child's health, the requirements of this subdivision shall be inapplicable until such immunization is found no longer to be detrimental to such

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

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child's health. The commissioner shall promulgate such rules and regulations as shall be necessary to implement the provisions of this subdivision.

§ 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2023.