STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. STECK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting the ownership, operation or control of pharmacies by pharmacy benefit managers

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

Section 1. Section 6808 of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

3. Prohibitions. a. No person, firm, corporation or association shall both directly or indirectly own, operate, control, or direct the operation of the whole or any part of a pharmacy and directly or indirectly own, operate or control the whole or any part of a pharmacy benefit manager.

b. No later than three years after this subdivision shall have become a law, any person, firm, corporation or association in violation of paragraph a of this subdivision shall divest from the ownership, operation or control of such pharmacy.

c. "Pharmacy benefit manager" shall have the same meaning as defined by section two hundred eighty-a of the public health law.

§ 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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