

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

January 27, 2025

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Introduced by Sen. RIVERA -- 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 the authority of a hospice medical director to sign a death certificate

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 4 of section 4141 of the  
2 public health law, as amended by chapter 153 of the laws of 2011, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (a) The medical certificate shall be made, dated, and signed by the  
5 physician or nurse practitioner, if any, last in attendance on the  
6 deceased, or the hospice medical director or a physician designated by  
7 such director.

8 § 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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