STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SEPULVEDA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the cannabis law, in relation to the proximity of an adult-use retail dispensary licensee's business location to a school

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

Section 1. Section 72 of the cannabis law is amended by adding a new subdivision 7 to read as follows:

7. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision six of this section or any other law to the contrary, any licensee for an adult-use retail dispensary whose initial license was approved by the office prior to July twenty-eighth, two thousand twenty-five, and whose business location was found at the time of such approval to be in compliance with standards used by the office at such time, regardless of such business location's actual proximity to a school property line, shall be deemed compliant for the purposes of license renewal and continued operation at such location, provided that:

(a) such licensee has not otherwise violated any provision of this chapter or applicable regulations; and

(b) such licensee remains in good standing with the office.

§ 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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