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

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to clarifying the definition of drug-related paraphernalia

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 850 of the general business law, as amended by chapter 433 of the laws of 2021 and subparagraph (vii) of paragraph (a) as separately amended by chapter 92 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

2. (a) "Drug-related paraphernalia" consists of the following objects used for the following purposes:

(i) Kits, used or designed for the purpose of planting, propagating, cultivating, growing or harvesting of any species of plant which is a controlled substance or from which a controlled substance can be derived;

(ii) Kits, used or designed for the purpose of manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, or preparing controlled substances;

(iii) Isomerization devices, used or designed for the purpose of increasing the potency of any species of plant which is a controlled substance;

(iv) Scales and balances, used or designed for the purpose of weighing or measuring controlled substances; **and**

(v) Diluents and adulterants, including but not limited to quinine hydrochloride, mannitol, mannite, dextrose and lactose, used or designed for the purpose of cutting controlled substances[~~;~~

~~**(vi) and**~~

~~**(vii) Objects, used or designed for the purpose of ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing cocaine into the human body**~~].

(b) "Drug-related paraphernalia" shall not include [~~**hypodermic needles, hypodermic syringes and other objects used for the purpose of parenterally injecting controlled substances**~~] **materials used to inject, inhale, ingest or otherwise introduce a substance** into the human body.

§ 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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