STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 1, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. SIMON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to joint certification of certified community behavioral health clinics

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

Section 1. Subdivision (a) of section 36.04 of the mental hygiene law, as added by section 1 of part HH of chapter 57 of the laws of 2023, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The commissioners are authorized to jointly certify community behavioral health clinics, subject to the availability of state and federal funding**. Provided however, notwithstanding any provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, an applicant already certified by either the department or the office of addiction services and supports in good standing for five or more years with their respective certifying agency shall be subject to administrative review when applying for an additional certification by the department or such office, as applicable, pursuant to this section**.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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