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## IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to designating  
certain emergency and public safety dispatchers and operators as first  
responders

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 3001 of the public health law, as  
2 amended by chapter 804 of the laws of 1992, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 5. "Certified first responder" means an individual who meets the mini-  
5 mum requirements established by regulations pursuant to section three  
6 thousand two of this article and who is responsible for administration  
7 of initial life saving care of sick and injured persons, and shall  
8 include public safety dispatchers, emergency responders, emergency oper-  
9 ators, emergency complaint operators and emergency services dispatchers,  
10 who provide communication support services within police and sheriff's  
11 departments as well as fire, rescue and emergency services departments.  
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§ 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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