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# IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT in relation to establishing statewide pilot programs promoting the use of alternative treatments for individuals suffering from chronic lower back pain

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

Section 1. The commissioner of health is authorized to establish statewide pilot programs for the purpose of promoting the use of alternatives to opioid treatment for individuals suffering from chronic lower back pain by offering access to nonpharmacologic treatments such as acupuncture and chiropractic services. Such access may be provided statewide, with a focus on areas within the state that have the highest need for such services. The provisions of this section shall not take effect unless all necessary approvals under federal law and regulation have been obtained to receive federal financial participation in the costs of services provided under this section.

§ 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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