STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 8, 2025

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

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to prohibiting interference with the provision of medical assistance to incarcerated individuals

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

Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 837-y to read as follows:

§ 837-y. Interference with the provision of medical assistance to incarcerated individuals. 1. For the purposes of this section:

(a) "police officer" means a person designated as such in subdivision thirty-four of section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law.

(b) "peace officer" means a person listed in section 2.10 of the criminal procedure law.

2. No police officer, peace officer or employee of a correctional facility, as defined in section two of the correction law, shall interfere with the provision of medical assistance to an incarcerated individual.

3. Any police officer, peace officer or employee of a correctional facility who interferes with the provision of medical assistance to an incarcerated individual in violation of this section shall be guilty of a class E felony.

§ 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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