

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

April 7, 2025

Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to waiving the residency requirement for the commissioner of health and public health director for Putnam county

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

1 Section 1. Section 3 of the public officers law is amended by adding a  
2 new subdivision 76 to read as follows:

3 76. In the county of Putnam, the provisions of this section requiring  
4 a person to be a resident of the political subdivision or municipal  
5 corporation of the state for which such person shall be chosen or within  
6 which such person's official functions are required to be exercised,  
7 shall not prevent a person from holding the office of commissioner of  
8 health and the public health director of the county of Putnam, provided  
9 that such person resides in Putnam county or an adjoining county within  
10 the state of New York; provided, however that any person performing such  
11 functions or holding the office of commissioner of health and public  
12 health director in any other county shall be a resident of such county  
13 unless otherwise provided by law.

14 § 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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