

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring the immunization of certain post-secondary students against COVID-19

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 13 of section 2165 of the public health law is
2 renumbered subdivision 12 and subdivision 1, as added by chapter 405 of
3 the laws of 1989, paragraph b as amended by chapter 325 of the laws of
4 1991, is amended to read as follows:

5 1. As used in this section, unless the context requires otherwise:

6 a. The term "institution" means a college as defined in section two of
7 the education law.

8 b. The term "student" means any person born on or after January first,
9 nineteen hundred fifty-seven, who is registered to attend or attends
10 classes at an institution, whether full-time or part-time. "Part-time
11 student" shall mean a student who is enrolled for at least six but less
12 than twelve semester hours, or the equivalent per semester or at least
13 four but less than eight semester hours per quarter at an institution.

14 c. The term "health practitioner" means any person authorized by law
15 to administer an immunization.

16 d. The term "immunization" means an adequate dose or doses of an
17 immunizing agent against measles, mumps [~~and~~], rubella and the novel
18 coronavirus (COVID-19) which meets the standards approved by the United
19 States public health service for such biological products, and which is
20 approved by the state department of health under such conditions as may
21 be specified by the public health council.

22 § 2. This act shall take effect thirty days following the date of the
23 issuance of a biologics license for an immunizing agent against COVID-19
24 by the United States Food and Drug Administration provided that the
25 provisions contained in this act are in accordance with recommendations

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

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1 issued by the Centers for Disease Control Advisory Committee on Immuni-
2 zation Practices. The commissioner of health shall notify the legisla-
3 tive bill drafting commission upon the occurrence of such approval in
4 order that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective
5 data base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York in
6 furtherance of effectuating the provisions of section 44 of the legisla-
7 tive law and section 70-b of the public officers law. Effective imme-
8 diately the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation
9 necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are
10 authorized to be made and completed on or before such date.