FY 2026 Executive Budget Amendments

Amendments to Senate S.3007; Assembly A.3007 (Health and Mental Hygiene Article VII Bill)

The following technical and further amendments, as described, are made:

Part B, relating to health-related extenders (Page 7)

- Adds a conforming change to section 3018 of the Public Health Law to extend the community-based paramedicine demonstration program by two years.
- Makes a technical change to renumber Section 8 to Section 8-a.

Part F, relating to establishing a tax on managed care providers (page 16)

• Amends the statutory references to the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and the Essential Plan to ensure the MCO Provider Tax is applied as intended.

Part K, relating to appointing a temporary operator (Page 48)

• Amends section 3, subdivision (b) to include notwithstanding language to avoid unintended conflict with other laws.

Part O, relating to Opioid Related Proposals (Pages 53-64)

- Revises spacing to ensure the controlled substance formulae are correct.
- Makes typographical and wording changes to conform NYS controlled substances added in this Part to federal controlled substances schedules. Edits were made to eliminate the possibility of legal variance between the amendment and already established federal language based on legal guidance.
- Adds "or" before "emergency medical technician-paramedic" in PHL § 3351(2) to this part. This edit has been made to improve the clarity of the amendment's language.

Part R, relating to requiring the development of a statewide comprehensive emergency medical system plan and county EMS plans, and declaring EMS an essential service (Pages 67-71)

• Amends section 3 subdivision 4 so that New York City may choose to participate in the Emergency Medical Community Assessment Program (EMCAP) program.

- Amends Section 5 to i) replace "shall ensure that" with "may provide" to eliminate the requirement that every county, town, or village provide EMS services, and allows for counties to specifically establish a special district for ambulance and EMS service, and ii) allow NYC to participate in creating special ambulance districts.
- Amends section 8 to eliminate ambiguous language.

Part V, relating to Removing Unnecessary Restrictions on Workers (Pages 78-87)

- Amends Subpart E to add additional language to support transfer of the Office of Professions and oversight authority of physicians, physician assistants, and special assistants from State Education Department to Department of Health.
- Strikes Subpart F related to physician assistant modernization and adds the language to Subpart E.
- Amends the effective date of Subpart E to add language permitting amendments and repeals of regulation necessary to implement this bill to be authorized on or before the effective date.

Part Z, relating to Preferred Source Program Extension (Page 104)

• Makes changes to include a chapter amendment on the original bill so that both bills are extended, and the law remains as it is now.