

**Amendments to Senate 6256; Assembly 9056  
(HMH Article VII Bill)**

**Part C**, relating to establishing the Electronic Death Registration System in the Department of Health is amended to:

- Correct reference to "removal" permits rather than "funeral" permits and to require the implementation of the Electronic Death Registration System by January 1, 2014 as well as other technical amendments.

**Part D**, relating to implementing recommendations of the Medicaid Redesign Team is amended to:

- Authorize the expansion of the DOH audit of institutional cost report service to Article 31 private psychiatric hospitals in lieu of CPA certification, consistent with standards for Article 28 hospitals.
- Remove medical order requirements to allow Medicaid financing of existing syringe exchange programs.
- Allow HIV Special Need Plans to enroll other high-need/high-cost populations (e.g., homeless), as determined by the Commissioner of Health.
- Authorize enhanced payments for dually enrolled (Medicare/Medicaid) patients receiving treatment in OASAS licensed chemical dependence outpatient clinic and opioid treatment programs.
- Clarify that the appointment of temporary board members is in lieu of the suspension of the facility's operating certificate to ensure continuity of patient care.
- Clarify that prohibitions of future overburden payments will not be applied retroactively.

**Part F**, relating to implementing the takeover of local Medicaid administration and local Medicaid growth is amended to:

- Make certain technical changes and conforming amendments to Tax Law associated with a local option to select a sales tax intercept option under Local Medicaid Cap statute.

**Part J**, relating to streamlining the organizational structure of the Office for People With Developmental Disabilities, is amended to:

- Clarify the difference between State Operations Offices and the facilities that will continue to operate therein.

**Part L**, relating to the integration of health and behavioral health services, is amended to:

- Clarify that two or more commissioners have joint authority to integrate health and behavioral health services.

**Part N**, relating to the creation of the Behavioral Health Services Advisory Council, is amended to:

- Technical correction to amend the name of the council.

**Part P**, relating to Sex Offender Management and Treatment Act program reforms, is amended to:

- Include sex offenders requiring civil management in the new class E felony of second-degree assault.