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# ***OPPOSE***

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The New York State Public Employees Federation, representing 58,000 Professional, Scientific, and Technical workers of New York State, opposes this legislation.

This bill would allow pharmacists who have completed requirements consistent with regulations established by the Commissioner of Education to administer vaccines for flu and pneumococcal disease to adults.

While the bill would require that pharmacists are certified in administering this vaccine, the scope of this certification cannot equal the totality of the training provided doctors and professional nurses who currently administer this medication. Adults have the right to have vaccines administered by medical personnel who can not only administer the vaccine, but effectively attend to situations that may occur as a result of receiving the vaccine.

Untrained and unlicensed personnel should not administer vaccines that require the thorough knowledge and training of doctors and professional nurses.

For these reasons, the Public Employees Federation urges you to oppose this legislation.

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