SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Appellate Division, Fourth Judicial Department

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PRESENT: SMITH, J.P., CARNI, LINDLEY, SCONIERS, AND DEJOSEPH, JJ.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY OF ONEIDA, PETITIONER-PLAINTIFF-RESPONDENT,

V ORDER

NIRAV R. SHAH, M.D., M.P.H., COMMISSIONER, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, RESPONDENTS-DEFENDANTS-APPELLANTS.

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Appeal from a judgment (denominated order) of the Supreme Court, Oneida County (Bernadette T. Clark, J.), entered March 14, 2014 in a CPLR article 78 proceeding and declaratory judgment action. The judgment, among other things, directed respondents-defendants to pay petitioner-plaintiff's pending claims for reimbursement in the amount of \$3,123,878.56.

It is hereby ORDERED that the judgment so appealed from is unanimously modified on the law by denying the petition-complaint in its entirety and granting judgment in favor of respondents-defendants as follows:

It is ADJUDGED and DECLARED that section 61 of part D of section 1 of chapter 56 of the Laws of 2012 has not been shown to be unconstitutional,

and as modified the judgment is affirmed without costs (see Matter of County of Chautauqua v Shah, 126 AD3d 1317).

Entered: May 1, 2015 Frances E. Cafarell Clerk of the Court