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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. MAZIARZ -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to patient notification of services provided by non-participating providers at a participating hospital

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 1 2805-u to read as follows: 2

S 2805-U. NOTIFICATION OF NON-PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS PROVIDING TREAT-MENT AT A PARTICIPATING HOSPITAL. EVERY HOSPITAL SHALL BE REQUIRED NOTIFY A PATIENT ADMITTED TO SUCH HOSPITAL IF A PHYSICIAN OR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER PROVIDING TREATMENT TO SUCH PATIENT IS NOT A PARTICIPATING PROVIDER IN THE NETWORK OF ANY INSURER WHOSE PLANS OR POLICIES OF INSUR-ANCE ARE ACCEPTED BY SUCH HOSPITAL. THE NOTIFICATION REQUIRED SECTION SHALL BE PRIOR TO SUCH PHYSICIAN OR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TREAT-

10 ING THE PATIENT.

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11 S 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall 12 have become a law.

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

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