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- AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to a health savings account pilot program and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. The insurance law is amended by adding a new section 1124 2 to read as follows:

3 S 1124. MANAGED CARE HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT. (A) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE 4 ORGANIZATION CERTIFIED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE FORTY-FOUR OF THE PUBLIC 5 HEALTH LAW MAY OFFER A GROUP HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN, AS DEFINED IN 6 PARAGRAPH TWO OF SUBSECTION C OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE OF THE 7 INTERNAL REVENUE CODE IN CONJUNCTION WITH A HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT 8 OR A HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO FEDERAL TAX LAW, 9 WHEN:

10 (1) THE EMPLOYER GROUP PURCHASING THE HIGH DEDUCTIBLE PLAN IS A MUNI-11 CIPALITY, AND

12 (2) THE EMPLOYER IS OBLIGATED TO CONTRIBUTE, PURSUANT TO A COLLECTIVE 13 BARGAINING AGREEMENT OR OTHER BINDING ARRANGEMENT WITH ITS EMPLOYEES, AN 14 AMOUNT AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE DEDUCTIBLE REQUIRED UNDER THE PLAN ON 15 BEHALF OF EACH ENROLLED EMPLOYEE.

16 (B) A HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN OFFERED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (A) 17 OF THIS SECTION, WHICH OTHERWISE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 18 FORTY-FOUR OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW, SHALL BE DEEMED TO PROVIDE COMPRE-19 HENSIVE HEALTH SERVICES AND SHALL NOT BE DISAPPROVED DUE TO ITS COST 20 SHARE ARRANGEMENT.

21 (C) A MUNICIPALITY FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION MEANS A TOWN.

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

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(D) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION OFFERING THE HIGH DEDUCTIBLE 1 HEALTH PLAN PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL REPORT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT 2 AND COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH THE NUMBER OF COVERED LIVES UNDER THE HIGH 3 4 DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN OFFERED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION COMPARED TO 5 SIMILAR NON-HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLANS, THE PREMIUMS OF THE HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN OFFERED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION COMPARED 6 TO 7 SIMILAR NON-HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLANS, THE CLAIMS EXPERIENCE UNDER 8 THE HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN OFFERED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION COMPARED TO SIMILAR NON-HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLANS, AND ANY OTHER 9 10 PERTINENT INFORMATION THAT MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OR THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH PRIOR TO APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN. 11

12 (E) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL ONLY APPLY TO COVERAGE 13 OFFERED PURSUANT TO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO PRIOR 14 TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

15 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire December 16 31, 2015 when upon such date the provisions of this act shall be deemed 17 repealed.