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I N S E N A T E

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

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to mandatory health insurance reimbursement for certified registered nurse anesthetists providing anesthesia services

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

1 Section 1. Paragraphs 27 and 28 of subsection (i) of section 3216 of
2 the insurance law, paragraph 27 as added by chapter 536 of the laws of
3 2010 and paragraph 28 as added by chapter 589 of the laws of 2011, are
4 renumbered paragraphs 29 and 30 respectively and a new paragraph 31 is
5 added to read as follows:

6 (31) EVERY POLICY WHICH PROVIDES FOR COVERAGE FOR ANESTHESIA SERVICES
7 SHALL INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR ANESTHESIA SERVICES PROVIDED BY A CERTIFIED
8 REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST. THE TERM "CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE
9 ANESTHETIST" AS USED IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL MEAN A PERSON WHO HAS
10 SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION FOR PROVISION OF THESE
11 SERVICES IN A PROGRAM REGISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR IN A
12 PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY A NATIONAL BODY RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
13 EDUCATION OR DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO BE THE EQUIV-
14 ALENT; AND SUBMIT EVIDENCE OF CURRENT CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION
15 BY A NATIONAL CERTIFYING BODY, RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCA-
16 TION.

17 S 2. Subsection (1) of section 3221 of the insurance law is amended by
18 adding a new paragraph 19 to read as follows:

19 (19) EVERY POLICY WHICH PROVIDES FOR COVERAGE FOR ANESTHESIA SERVICES
20 SHALL INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR ANESTHESIA SERVICES PROVIDED BY A CERTIFIED
21 REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST. THE TERM "CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE
22 ANESTHETIST" AS USED IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL MEAN A PERSON WHO HAS
23 SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION FOR PROVISION OF THESE
24 SERVICES IN A PROGRAM REGISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR IN A
25 PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY A NATIONAL BODY RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
26 EDUCATION OR DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO BE THE EQUIV-
27 ALENT; AND SUBMIT EVIDENCE OF CURRENT CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION

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

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2 TION.

3 S 3. Subsections (gg) and (hh) of section 4303 of the insurance law,
4 subsection (gg) as added by chapter 536 of the laws of 2010 and
5 subsection (hh) as added by chapter 589 of the laws of 2011, are renum-
6 bered subsections (ii) and (jj) respectively and a new subsection (kk)
7 is added to read as follows:

8 (KK) EVERY POLICY WHICH PROVIDES FOR COVERAGE FOR ANESTHESIA SERVICES
9 SHALL INCLUDE COVERAGE FOR ANESTHESIA SERVICES PROVIDED BY A CERTIFIED
10 REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST. THE TERM "CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE
11 ANESTHETIST" AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL MEAN A PERSON WHO HAS
12 SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION FOR PROVISION OF THESE
13 SERVICES IN A PROGRAM REGISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR IN A
14 PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY A NATIONAL BODY RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 EDUCATION OR DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO BE THE EQUIV-
16 ALENT; AND SUBMIT EVIDENCE OF CURRENT CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION
17 BY A NATIONAL CERTIFYING BODY, RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCA-
18 TION.

19 S 4. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
20 have become a law and shall apply to policies and contracts issued,
21 renewed, modified, altered or amended on or after such effective date.