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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. GOUNARDES -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to certain reports relating to health benefits for state and retired state employees

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 9 of section 162 of the civil service law, as
2 added by chapter 147 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
3 9. (a) (i) As soon as is practicable, but no later than the first of
4 September, two thousand fourteen, the department shall, upon request,
5 but no more frequently than semi-annually, provide to any participating
6 employer a standard report which contains data relating to the use of
7 benefits by persons covered under the plan by such employer. Such report
8 shall include: premiums paid by month for each month covered in the
9 report and paid claims by month for the following categories of
10 services: inpatient hospital, outpatient hospital, in network medical,
11 out of network medical, prescription drugs, and treatment of behavioral
12 conditions, each reported separately. To the extent allowed by state and
13 federal privacy laws, such report shall also contain claims information
14 for individual claimants for claims in excess of fifty thousand dollars
15 that were paid in any of the months covered by the report.
16 (ii) The department shall provide such reports to any participating
17 employer, upon request submitted on or after the first of April for data
18 from the first of January through the thirty-first of December of the
19 prior year, and on or after the first of September for data from the
20 first of June of the prior year through the thirty-first of May of the
21 current year, within thirty days of receipt of said request. However,
22 requests submitted in the two thousand fourteen calendar year shall be
23 provided as soon as practicable, but no later than the first of Septem-

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

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ber, two thousand fourteen, or within thirty days after said request if request is submitted on or after the first of August, two thousand fourteen.

(b) As soon as practicable, but not later than December first of each year, the department shall collect and analyze health care claims data to develop, and make publicly available, a New York state health benefit plan hospital pricing report. The president must collect health care claims data relating to the price and utilization of hospital benefits by active employees, retired employees, and their dependents receiving benefits from the prior state fiscal year, in accordance with provisions under this article. The report shall include, but not be limited to, a comparative analysis of hospital prices paid by the plan, for each hospital facility identified by name and CMS Certification Number (CCN) or successor identifier, based on the following service categories: (i) inpatient hospital, (ii) outpatient hospital, and (iii) emergency room services; and the report shall also include the price per service and gross amount spent per hospital facility on the top twenty services within each of the following service categories: (A) inpatient, (B) outpatient and (C) emergency room services. The report shall compare the prices to the process for similar services reimbursed under title eighteen of the social security act. Such report shall also include a comprehensive analysis of the prior five years of hospital prices and expenditures to establish trends in hospital prices and total expenditures for the plan. Such report shall be delivered to the legislative fiscal committees, the chairs of the legislative health care committees, the chair of the senate civil service and pensions committee, and the chair of the assembly committee on governmental employees, on or before December thirty-first of each year, and such report shall be posted on the department's website no later than January first of the following calendar year. For purposes of this subdivision, "health care claims data" means any claims for inpatient, outpatient, or ambulatory surgical services or other services normally submitted to the third-party payer on form UB-04 or successor forms, with UB-04 being the billing form identified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.