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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to establishing a family health plus sponsor buy-in demonstration program for qualified aliens

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

Section 1. Section 369-ee of the social services law is amended by adding a new subdivision 2-c to read as follows:

2-C. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH A FAMILY HEALTH PLUS SPONSOR BUY-IN DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM IN NOT MORE THAN SIX LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICTS AND SHALL PROVIDE HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO NOT MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND PERSONS. SUCH DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM SHALL PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE TO QUALIFIED ALIENS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 431 OF THE FEDERAL PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND WORK OPPORTUNITY RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1996(8 U.S. CODE 1641), WHOSE SPONSORS HAVE SIGNED AN AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 213A OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION ACT IF THE QUALIFIED ALIEN IS OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION DURING THE PERIODS OF TIME FOR WHICH THE SPONSOR HAS MADE FAMILY HEALTH PLUS BUY-IN PAYMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SHALL PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING FAMILY HEALTH PLUS BUY-IN RATES; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH RATES SHALL NOT EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE COST OF THE FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN COVERAGE PROVIDED TO THE QUALIFIED ALIEN PURSUANT TO THIS SUBDIVISION.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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