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## 2009-2010 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. PRETLOW -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to prohibiting approved organizations in the child health insurance plan from limiting the participation of certain health care providers

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

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision 7 of section 2511 of the public health law is 2 amended by adding a new paragraph (d) to read as follows:
  - (D) NO APPROVED ORGANIZATION SHALL PROHIBIT OR IN ANY WAY LIMIT THE PROVISION OF COVERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER ON THE GROUNDS THAT SUCH PROVIDER CHOOSES NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN A HEALTH CARE NETWORK MAINTAINED BY SUCH APPROVED ORGANIZATION TO SERVE COMMERCIAL INSUREDS, ENROLLEES OR SUBSCRIBERS.
- 8 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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