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Introduced by M. of A. MORELLE, GOTTFRIED -- read once and referred to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to notification by hospitals

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

Section 1. Section 3224-a of the insurance law is amended by adding a new subsection (i) to read as follows:

(I) AN INSURER OR ORGANIZATION OR CORPORATION LICENSED OR CERTIFIED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE FORTY-THREE OR ARTICLE FORTY-SEVEN OF THIS CHAPTER OR ARTICLE FORTY-FOUR OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW MAY, PURSUANT TO A CONTRACT WITH A HOSPITAL, REQUIRE NOTIFICATION BY THE HOSPITAL OF ITS INSURED'S ADMISSION TO THE HOSPITAL; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE INSURER OR ORGANIZATION OR CORPORATION SHALL NOT DENY OR REDUCE PAYMENT OTHERWISE DUE TO THE HOSPITAL FOR ANY SERVICES DETERMINED BY THE INSURER, ORGANIZATION OR CORPORATION TO BE MEDICALLY NECESSARY SOLELY DUE TO THE FAILURE OF THE HOSPITAL TO TIMELY NOTIFY.

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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