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

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to maintaining a database of certain foreign language services as required by federal health care reform laws

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

Section 1. Section 3102 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new subsection (g) to read as follows:

(G) FOREIGN LANGUAGE SERVICES DATABASE REQUIREMENT. THE PROVIDER OF ANY INSURANCE POLICY REQUIRED UNDER THE UNITED STATES PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (PUB. L. NO. 111-148, 124 STAT. 119 (2010)) AND THE UNITED STATES HEALTH CARE AND EDUCATION RECONCILIATION ACT OF 2010 (PUB. L. NO. 111-152, 124 STAT. 1029 (2010)) TO PROVIDE FOREIGN LANGUAGE SERVICES SHALL MAINTAIN A DATABASE, AVAILABLE TO EVERY CUSTOMER, CLIENT OR INSURED INDIVIDUAL UNDER SUCH PROVIDER'S POLICIES. SUCH DATABASE SHALL CONTAIN THE NAME, LOCATION, SPECIALTY AND LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY DOCTORS, PHYSICIANS AND OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS COVERED BY SUCH INSURANCE PROVIDER'S POLICIES.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date is authorized to be made on or before such date.

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

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