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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. YOUNG, BONACIC, BRESLIN, O'MARA, RITCHIE, VALESKY -request of the Legislative Commission on Rural Resources) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to payments to rural hospitals designated as critical access hospitals

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

- Section 1. Subdivision 2-a of section 2807 of the public health law is 1 amended by adding a new paragraph (j) to read as follows:
- NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SUBDIVISION OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY, ON AND AFTER APRIL FIRST, THIRTEEN, RATES OF PAYMENT FOR DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT CENTER THOUSAND SERVICES, EMERGENCY SERVICES, GENERAL HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT SURGICAL SERVICES AND REFERRED AMBULATORY SERVICES, PROVIDED 7 AMBULATORY 8 BY A RURAL HOSPITAL DESIGNATED AS A CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITAL IN 9 WITH TITLE XVIII OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT SHALL BE EQUAL TO ONE HUNDRED ONE PERCENT OF THE REASONABLE COSTS OF A FACILITY 10 PROVIDING SUCH SERVICES TO PATIENTS ELIGIBLE FOR PAYMENTS MADE IN 11 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBDIVISION. REASONABLE COSTS SHALL BE12 DETERMINED CONSISTENT WITH THAT USED TO DETERMINE PAYMENT FOR OUTPA-13 A MANNER 14 TIENT CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITAL SERVICES PROVIDED TO BENEFICIARIES XVIII OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT. FOR FACILITIES WITHOUT 15 ADEQUATE COST EXPERIENCE, SUCH RATES SHALL BE BASED ON BUDGETED COSTS 16 17 SUBSEQUENTLY ADJUSTED TO ONE HUNDRED ONE PERCENT OF REASONABLE ACTUAL 18 COSTS.
- 19 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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