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Introduced by Sens. HANNON, RANZENHOFER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to a medical assistance information and payment system

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

Section 1. Subparagraph 2 of paragraph (b) of subdivision 8 of section 367-b of the social services law, as amended by chapter 109 of the laws of 2007, is amended to read as follows:

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(2) Coordination of benefits. Develop, test and implement an automated 5 process to improve the coordination of benefits between the assistance program and other sources of coverage for medical assistance recipients. Such initiative shall initially examine the savings poten-7 8 tial to the medical assistance program through retrospective review of 9 claims paid which shall be completed not later than January thirtyfirst, two thousand seven. If, based upon such initial experience, the 10 Medicaid inspector general deems the automated process to be capable of 11 12 including or moving to a prospective review, with negligible effect on 13 the turnaround of claims for provider payment or on recipient access to services, then the Medicaid inspector general in subsequent tests shall 14 15 examine the savings potential through prospective, pre-claims payment PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SHALL IMPLE-16 17 MENT AN INITIATIVE ESTABLISHING AN AUTOMATED REAL TIME PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT REVIEW PROCESS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, A PRIOR 18 CLAIMS 19 PHARMACY AUTHORIZATION AND PRE-PHARMACY CLAIMS REVIEW OF ALTERNATIVE 20 PROGRAM, INSURANCE COVERAGE PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT ANY SUCH INITIATIVE HAS MINIMAL INITIAL COSTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF 21 HEALTH. ANY INITIATIVE 22 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SHALL HAVE A NEGLIGIBLE EFFECT IMPLEMENTED BY 23 ON THE TURNAROUND OF CLAIMS FOR PROVIDER PAYMENT OR ON RECIPIENT

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

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S 2. The department of health shall issue a request for proposals for the purpose of providing the system described in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 8 of section 367-b of the social services law, as amended by section one of this act, within 90 days of the effective date of this act. Bids from qualified vendors shall be received by the department of health no later than 60 days following the issuance of the request for proposals. Any contract issued pursuant to this section shall be issued within 90 days following receipt of bids and installation of such system completed by the successful bidder within 180 days of the issuance of such contract.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.