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AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to requiring insurance companies to disclose claims information to municipalities

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

- Section 1. The insurance law is amended by adding a new section 3217-ingle to read as follows:
 - S 3217-I. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO MUNICIPALITIES. (A) EVERY INSURER CONTRACTING WITH MUNICIPALITIES EMPLOYING FOUR HUNDRED OR MORE EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL COOPERATIVE HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS CERTIFIED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE FORTY-SEVEN OF THIS CHAPTER, SHALL PROVIDE UPON REQUEST THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO THE INSURED MUNICIPALITY:
 - (1) SPECIFIC CLAIMS EXPERIENCE COVERED BY THE INSURER UNDER A COMMUNITY RATED OR EXPERIENCED RATED POLICY. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION "EXPERIENCE RATINGS" SHALL MEAN AND INCLUDE ALL QUANTITATIVE MEASURES USED BY THE INSURANCE CARRIER SUCH AS EXPENSES PER MEMBER AND ANY HISTORICAL DATA;
 - (2) AVERAGE ANNUAL PER MEMBER COST OF CLAIMS REIMBURSEMENT;
- 14 (3) NUMBER OF MEMBERS WHO DID NOT FILE A CLAIM WITHIN A TWELVE MONTH 15 PERIOD;
- 16 (4) A COMPARISON OF EMERGENCY SERVICES USED BY MEMBERS TO OUT-PATIENT 17 SERVICES;
 - (5) A LOSS RATIO REPORT;

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- 19 (6) CLAIMS HISTORY FOR THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS FOR EXPERIENCE RATED 20 PLANS SEPARATED BY MEDICAL AND PRESCRIPTION;
- 21 (7) INFORMATION REGARDING COST ON THE TOP TWENTY-FIVE PRESCRIPTION 22 DRUGS BEING USED BY MEMBER EMPLOYEES;

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

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(8) LARGE LOSS CLAIMS REPORT INDICATING DIAGNOSIS AND PROGNOSIS FOR CLAIMS GREATER THAN THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS;

(9) MEDICAL LOSS RATIO REPORT; AND

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- (10) ANY OTHER STATISTICAL INFORMATION THE MUNICIPALITY REQUESTS TO DETERMINE USE OF BENEFITS BY MEMBERS.
- (B) THE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL IMPOSE A FINE OF THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF A WRITTEN REQUEST BY THE INSURED MUNICIPALITY THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH ONE OF SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION RELATING TO HOW FUNDING WAS SPENT BY THE INSURANCE CARRIER REGARDING THE INSURED EMPLOYEES. A FINE OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS PER DAY SHALL BE IMPOSED FOR EACH DAY SUCH FAILURE CONTINUES. ANY FINES IMPOSED SHALL BE PAID TO THE INSURED MUNICIPALITY REQUESTING SUCH INFORMATION.
- 14 (C) NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS, IN RELEASING ANY SUCH 15 INFORMATION THE INSURER SHALL COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE 16 PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA) OF 1996, AS AMENDED.
- 17 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.