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2015-2016 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

April 29, 2015

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law and the insurance law, in relation to requiring health insurers to accept third party payments for coverage

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

Section 1. Section 4406-c of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 9 to read as follows:

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- 9. WITH REGARD TO A SUBSCRIBER CONTRACT OFFERED THROUGH THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET, A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL NOT BY CONTRACT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER REFUSE TO ACCEPT PREMIUM OR ANY REQUIRED COST SHARING PAYMENTS FROM THIRD PARTIES.
- S 2. Section 3217-b of the insurance law is amended by adding a new subsection (k) to read as follows:
- 9 (K) WITH REGARD TO AN INSURANCE POLICY OFFERED THROUGH THE INDIVIDUAL 10 MARKET, AN INSURER SHALL NOT BY CONTRACT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER REFUSE 11 TO ACCEPT PREMIUM OR ANY REQUIRED COST SHARING PAYMENTS FROM THIRD 12 PARTIES.
- 13 S 3. Section 4325 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new 14 subsection (1) to read as follows:
- 15 (L) WITH REGARD TO AN INSURANCE CONTRACT OFFERED THROUGH THE INDIVID-16 UAL MARKET, A CORPORATION ORGANIZED UNDER THIS ARTICLE SHALL NOT BY 17 CONTRACT OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER REFUSE TO ACCEPT PREMIUM OR ANY REQUIRED 18 COST SHARING PAYMENTS FROM THIRD PARTIES.
- 19 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all 20 policies and contracts issued, renewed, modified, altered or amended on 21 or after January 1, 2016.

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

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