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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:

1     Section 1. Section 4406-c of the public health law is amended by  
2     adding a new subdivision 9 to read as follows:  
3     9. WITH REGARD TO A SUBSCRIBER CONTRACT OFFERED THROUGH THE INDIVIDUAL  
4     MARKET, A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL NOT BY CONTRACT OR IN  
5     ANY OTHER MANNER REFUSE TO ACCEPT PREMIUM OR ANY REQUIRED COST SHARING  
6     PAYMENTS FROM THIRD PARTIES.  
7     S 2. Section 3217-b of the insurance law is amended by adding a new  
8     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 (l) 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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