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I N S E N A T E

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AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to insurance coverage for substance abuse disorder services

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph 30 of subsection (i) of section 3216 of the
2 insurance law, as added by chapter 41 of the laws of 2014, is amended by
3 adding a new subparagraph (D) to read as follows:

4 (D) A POLICY PROVIDING COVERAGE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL INCLUDE
5 COVERAGE FOR AT LEAST NINETY DAYS AT A REHABILITATION FACILITY;
6 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT ANY STAY IN A REHABILITATION FACILITY REQUIRED
7 TO BE COVERED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL REQUIRE THE PRESCRIPTION
8 OF A DOCTOR.

9 S 2. Paragraph 6 of subsection (l) of section 3221 of the insurance
10 law is amended by adding a new subparagraph (D) to read as follows:

11 (D) A POLICY PROVIDING COVERAGE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL INCLUDE
12 COVERAGE FOR AT LEAST NINETY DAYS AT A REHABILITATION FACILITY;
13 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT ANY STAY IN A REHABILITATION FACILITY REQUIRED
14 TO BE COVERED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL REQUIRE THE PRESCRIPTION
15 OF A DOCTOR.

16 S 3. Subsection (k) of section 4303 of the insurance law is amended by
17 adding a new paragraph 4 to read as follows:

18 (4) A POLICY PROVIDING COVERAGE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE
19 COVERAGE FOR AT LEAST NINETY DAYS AT A REHABILITATION FACILITY;
20 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT ANY STAY IN A REHABILITATION FACILITY REQUIRED
21 TO BE COVERED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL REQUIRE THE PRESCRIPTION
22 OF A DOCTOR.

23 S 4. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
24 have become a law and shall apply to any policy issued, amended, or
25 renewed on and after such effective date.

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

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