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IN SENATE

January 4, 2017

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

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring regulations to establish a method of notification of WIC reimbursement discrepancies and the reason for such discrepancy and prohibits fees for rejected or bounced WIC checks

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 206 of the public health law is amended by adding two new paragraphs (w) and (x) to read as follows:

(w) By rule and regulation, establish a method in which the department notifies vendors authorized to participate in the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (hereinafter referred to in this subdivision as the "WIC"), of a discrepancy in the presentment of a WIC check for reimbursement submitted by the vendor and the reason for such discrepancy.

(x) By rule and regulation establish a method whereby the vendor is responsible only for the difference between the total submitted for reimbursement and the authorized value of the WIC check. Vendors shall not be responsible to pay a fee for rejected or bounced WIC checks.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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