AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to eligibility for unemployment benefits for certain persons under quarantine for coronavirus (COVID-19); and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof

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

Section 1. Section 591 of the labor law is amended by adding a new subdivision 2-a to read as follows:

2-a. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, benefits shall be paid to any employee who is under mandatory or voluntary quarantine as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19). Claimants shall not be required to participate in reemployment services or use vacation time while under quarantine.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed two years after such date.

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