STATE OF NEW YORK

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Introduced by M. of A. GOTTFRIED -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to membership on the public health and health planning council

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

Section 1. Section 220 of the public health law, as amended by section 7 of part N of chapter 56 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

§ 220. Public health and health planning council; appointment of members. **1.** There shall continue to be in the department a public health and health planning council to consist of the commissioner and [~~fourteen members to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate; provided that effective December first, two thousand ten, the membership of the council shall consist of the commissioner and twenty-four~~] **thirty-six** members to be appointed **as follows: thirty members to appointed** by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate**; and six members to be appointed by the governor, two upon recommendation of the speaker of the assembly, two upon recommendation of the temporary president of the senate, one upon recommendation of the minority leader of the assembly, and one upon recommendation of the minority leader of the senate**.

2. As to the members of the council appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate: Membership on the council shall be reflective of the diversity of the state's population including, but not limited to, the various geographic areas and population densities throughout the state. The members shall include representatives of the public health system, health care providers that comprise the state's health care delivery system, individuals with expertise in the clinical and administrative aspects of health care delivery, issues affecting health care consumers, health planning, health care financing and

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

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reimbursement, health care regulation and compliance, and public health practice and at least two members shall also be members of the behavioral health services advisory council; at least four members shall be representatives of general hospitals or nursing homes; **at least four members shall be representatives of health care consumer advocacy organizations which have a statewide or regional constituency and have been involved in activities related to health care consumer advocacy including issues of interest to low- and moderate-income individuals; at least three members shall be representatives of labor organizations for health care employees;** and at least one member shall be a representative of each of the following groups: home care agencies, diagnostic and treatment centers, **and** health care payors[~~, labor organizations for health care employees, and health care consumer advocacy organizations~~].

§ 2. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2020, and shall apply to all members of the public health and health planning council appointed or re-appointed on or after that date.