STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

June 3, 2019

Introduced by M. of A. JEAN-PIERRE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to establishing a cap on the price of prescription insulin

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

- Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 280-d to read as follows:
- 3 § 280-d. Prescription insulin price cap. 1. For purposes of this 4 section, "prescription insulin drug" shall mean a prescription drug containing insulin to be used in the treatment of diabetes and that:
- (a) is required by any applicable federal or state law to be dispensed 6 7 only pursuant to a prescription; or
- 8 (b) is restricted by any applicable federal or state law to use by 9 practitioners only.
- 2. Any health insurance carrier that provides coverage for 10 11 prescription insulin drugs pursuant to the terms of a health insurance policy or health benefits plan shall cap the total cost a covered person 12 13 is required to pay for a covered prescription insulin drug at an amount 14 not to exceed one hundred dollars per thirty day supply of insulin,
- 15 regardless of the amount or type of insulin needed to fill such covered 16 person's prescription.
- 3. Nothing in this section shall prevent a health insurance carrier 18 from reducing a covered person's cost for insulin by an amount greater 19 than the amount specified in subdivision two of this section.
- 20 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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