

STATE OF NEW YORK

8123--A

IN SENATE

March 23, 2020

Introduced by Sen. SANDERS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT permitting any uninsured individual to receive free coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) testing

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

- 1 Section 1. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, any uninsured individual, regardless of immigration status shall be eligible for
2 coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) testing at no cost. All information
3 collected pursuant to this act shall be confidential as provided for
4 under state, federal or any other applicable law related to the confidential treatment of patient and medical data. Access to such information shall be limited and used only to the extent that the information
5 is necessary to protect public health.
6 § 2. Necessary funding to provide testing pursuant to section one of
7 this act shall come from existing resources, federal funds and appropriations from the general fund.
8 § 3. 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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