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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. RIVERA -- 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 the use of monies from the community health care revolving capital fund

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 2815-a of the public health law, 2 as added by section 5 of part J of chapter 60 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

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- 2. Revolving capital fund. The dormitory authority shall, within amounts appropriated, establish the community health care revolving capital fund. Monies in the revolving capital fund shall be utilized for the purpose of making loans to qualifying participating borrowers to improve access to affordable capital financing to expand and improve 9 capacity to provide health care in the State, and to enable participat-10 ing borrowers to operate a financially and operationally sustainable 11 practice. Funds shall be transferred by the commissioner to the dormito-12 ry authority for deposit in the revolving capital fund in an amount as authorized by appropriation. Monies in the fund shall be: (a) held by 14 the authority pursuant to this section as custodian pursuant to an 15 agreement with the commissioner until transferred to the administrator 16 pursuant to this section, and (b) invested by the authority in accordance with the investment guidelines of the authority during said custodial period. All investment income shall be credited to, and shall be deposited in, the revolving capital fund.
- 20 2. Paragraphs c, e, f, and j of subdivision 4 of section 2815-a of 21 the public health law, as added by section 5 of part J of chapter 60 of 22 the laws of 2015, are amended to read as follows:
- 23 c. That monies in such revolving capital fund shall be utilized for 24 the purpose of making loans to qualifying participating borrowers, to provide participating borrowers with improved access to affordable capi-

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

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tal to expand and improve preventive or primary care capacity, and to aid participating borrowers in achieving a financially and operationally sustainable practice;

- e. That eligible uses of funds so loaned to participating borrowers shall include but not be limited to: (i) eligible costs as described in (f) of this subdivision, attributable to the proposed construction, reconstruction, renovation, rehabilitation, refurbishing, expansion, upgrading and equipping of a participating borrower's community-based health care facility; (ii) reserves for credit enhancement including loan guarantees; (iii) loan loss and debt service reserves and subordinated loans; [and] (iv) facility financing, including loans for predevelopment, acquisition and construction, permanent financing and bridge loans; and (v) additional noncapital expenditures which may include working capital and debt restructuring, retirement and refinancing;
- f. That eligible costs under this section shall include, but not be 17 limited to, all hard construction costs and associated professional and other costs, furniture, fixtures and equipment, including health infor-18 19 mation technology, acquisition, predevelopment due diligence, initial 20 operating expenses and working capital associated with community-based 21 health care facility projects. Working capital as set forth in this 22 paragraph may also include expenses associated with the sustainable operation of a community-based health care practice such as expenses 23 24 required to recruit and train staff, redesign facilities to accommodate 25 new protocols, to purchase, upgrade, or enhance, technology to support 26 telehealth, and other ancillary costs associated with delivering patient 27 services. Working capital shall also include expenses associated with 28 restructuring or retiring debt, including costs to reduce, retire, or 29 refinance long-term liabilities such as mortgage, bank loans, capital 30 leases and other liabilities, payments of debt service for long-term 31 liabilities, and costs for restructuring including professional fees, 32 penalties, and interest;
- 33 j. That revolving capital fund monies shall be held in trust and used 34 for the benefit of eligible community-based health care [facility] capi-35 tal projects authorized pursuant to this section; and
- 36 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.