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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. COONEY, HELMING -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to coverage of air ambulance transport in the child health plus program

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

Section 1. Subdivision 7 of section 2510 of the public health law, as 2 amended by chapter 428 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

3 7. "Covered health care services" means: the services of physicians, 5 optometrists, nurses, nurse practitioners, midwives and other related professional personnel which are provided on an outpatient basis, including routine well-child visits; diagnosis and treatment of illness 7 and injury; inpatient health care services; laboratory tests; diagnostic x-rays; prescription and non-prescription drugs and durable medical 10 equipment; radiation therapy; chemotherapy; hemodialysis; outpatient 11 blood clotting factor products and other treatments and services 12 furnished in connection with the care of hemophilia and other blood 13 clotting protein deficiencies; emergency room services; air ambulance 14 **services**; hospice services; emergency, preventive and routine dental 15 care, including medically necessary orthodontia but excluding cosmetic 16 surgery; emergency, preventive and routine vision care, including 17 eyeglasses; speech and hearing services; and, inpatient and outpatient mental health, alcohol and substance abuse services as defined by the 18 19 commissioner in consultation with the superintendent. "Covered health 20 care services" shall not include drugs, procedures and supplies for the treatment of erectile dysfunction when provided to, or prescribed for 22 use by, a person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to article six-C of the correction law, provided that any denial of coverage of such drugs, procedures or supplies shall provide the patient 25 with the means of obtaining additional information concerning both the denial and the means of challenging such denial. 27

§ 2. 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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