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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. L. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to reimbursing health care providers at the same rate for telephonic and telehealth visits as in-person visits

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 2999-dd of the public health law, 2 as amended by chapter 124 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

1. Health care services delivered by means of telehealth, including audio-only telephone communications as defined in regulations promulgated pursuant to subdivision four of section twenty-nine hundred ninetynine-cc of this article, shall be entitled to reimbursement on the same 8 basis and to the same extent as if such services were provided in person under section three hundred sixty-seven-u of the social services law; 10 provided however, reimbursement for additional modalities, provider 11 categories and originating sites specified in accordance with section 12 twenty-nine hundred ninety-nine-ee of this article, [and audio-only 13 telephone communication defined in regulations promulgated pursuant to 14 subdivision four of section twenty-nine hundred ninety-nine-cc of this 15 **article**, shall be contingent upon federal financial participation.

§ 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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