## STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

May 6, 2021

Introduced by Sen. SAVINO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to making care and services provided by licensed mental health practitioners eligible for coverage under the Medicaid program

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

## Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 365-a of the social services law 1 2 is amended by adding a new paragraph (gg) to read as follows: 3 (gg) care and services provided by mental health practitioners 4 licensed pursuant to article one hundred sixty-three of the education law acting within their scope of practice, where such services would 5 otherwise be covered under this title. Nothing in this paragraph shall б 7 be construed to modify or expand the scope of practice of a mental 8 health counselor, marriage and family therapist, creative arts therapist 9 or psychoanalyst licensed pursuant to article one hundred sixty-three of 10 the education law. § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall 11

12 have become a law.

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

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