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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. ADDABBO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Insurance -- recommitted to the Committee on Insurance in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to coverage for prenatal vitamins

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

Section 1. Subsection (i) of section 3216 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new paragraph 10-a to read as follows:

(10-a)(A) Every policy that provides medical, major medical, or similar comprehensive-type coverage and provides coverage for prescription drugs shall provide coverage for prenatal vitamins when prescribed by a health care practitioner licensed, certified, or authorized under title eight of the education law, and acting within his or her lawful scope of practice.

(B) Such coverage may be subject to annual deductibles and coinsurance as may be deemed appropriate by the superintendent and as are consistent with those established for other benefits within a given policy.

§ 2. Subsection (k) of section 3221 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new paragraph 5-a to read as follows:

(5-a)(A) Every policy that provides medical, major medical, or similar comprehensive-type coverage and provides coverage for prescription drugs shall provide coverage for prenatal vitamins when prescribed by a health care practitioner licensed, certified, or authorized under title eight of the education law, and acting within his or her lawful scope of practice.

(B) Such coverage may be subject to annual deductibles and coinsurance, as may be deemed appropriate by the superintendent and as are

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

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consistent with those established for other benefits within a given policy.

§ 3. Section 4303 of the insurance law is amended by adding a new subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

(c-1)(1) Any contract issued by a medical expense indemnity corporation, a hospital service corporation or a health services corporation that provides coverage for prescription drugs shall provide coverage for prenatal vitamins when prescribed by a health care practitioner licensed, certified, or authorized under title eight of the education law, and acting within his or her lawful scope of practice.

(2) Such coverage may be subject to annual deductibles and coinsurance as may be deemed appropriate by the superintendent and as are consistent with those established for other benefits within a given contract.

§ 4. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law and shall apply to policies issued, reissued, renewed, modified or amended on or after such date.