STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 20, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Insurance

AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to scheduling for certain providers through the directory

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

Section 1. Subparagraph (A) of paragraph 17 of subsection (a) of section 3217-a of the insurance law, as amended by section 2 of subpart B of part AA of chapter 57 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

(A) whether the provider is accepting new patients **and the provider's nearest availability, which may be accomplished through a mechanism by which enrollees or their designees can schedule such appointments directly through the directory**;

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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