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Introduced by Sens. BROUK, BRISPORT, FERNANDEZ, PARKER, SALAZAR, WEBB --
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the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to authorizing
licensed creative arts therapists to bill Medicaid directly for their
services

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (gg) of subdivision 2 of section 365-a of the
2 social services law, as amended by chapter 97 of the laws of 2022, is
3 amended to read as follows:
4 (gg) care and services provided by mental health counselors [~~and~~],
5 marriage and family therapists, and creative arts therapists licensed
6 pursuant to article one hundred sixty-three of the education law acting
7 within their scope of practice, where such services would otherwise be
8 covered under this title. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed
9 to modify or expand the scope of practice of a mental health counselor
10 [~~or~~], marriage and family therapist, or creative arts therapist licensed
11 pursuant to article one hundred sixty-three of the education law.
12 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
13 have become a law.

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

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