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Introduced by Sens. RIVERA, BIAGGI, BRESLIN, BRISPORT, BROUK, CLEARE, COMRIE, COONEY, GIANARIS, GOUNARDES, HOYLMAN, JACKSON, LIU, MAY, MYRIE, PARKER, PERSAUD, RAMOS, SALAZAR, SEPULVEDA, SERRANO, STAVISKY —— read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health —— recommitted to the Committee on Health in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 —— reported favorably from said committee and committed to the Committee on Finance —— committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to coverage for health care services under the basic health program for individuals whose immigration status renders him or her ineligible for federal financial participation

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

1 Section 1. Section 369-gg of the social services law is amended by 2 adding a new subdivision 3-a to read as follows:

3-a. Alternate eligibility. A person shall also be eligible to receive 4 coverage for health care services under this title, without regard to 5 federal financial participation, if he or she is a resident of New York 6 state, has household income below two hundred percent of the federal poverty line as defined and annually revised by the United States department of health and human services for a household of the same size, and is ineligible for federal financial participation in the basic 9 health program under 42 U.S.C. section 18051 on the basis of immigration 10 11 status, but otherwise meets the eliqibility requirements in paragraphs 12 (b) and (c) of subdivision three of this section. An applicant who fails 13 to make an applicable premium payment shall lose eligibility to receive 14 coverage for health care services in accordance with time frames and procedures determined by the commissioner.

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

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1 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after 2 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the commissioner of 3 health shall make regulations and take other actions reasonably neces-4 sary to implement this act on that date.