

**Amendments to Senate S 2007; Assembly A 3007
(HMH Article VII Bill)**

Part B, relating to statutory changes necessary to continue implementation of Medicaid Redesign Team recommendations, is amended to:

- Revise the long title to make various technical changes.
- Revise language related to Medicaid copayments necessary to conform to Affordable Care Act requirements. These include the maximum amount of required copays, persons exempt from copays, and the applicability of copays to managed care enrollees.
- Revise language related to the Medicaid Global Cap to clarify the dividend allocation plan and correct a cross reference within the codification language.
- Revise language related to modifications to the Medicaid upper payment limit methodology to correct statutory references within the proposed language.
- Revise language related to the basic health plan to clarify that the Department will select and contract with an independent actuary and that rates will be approved by the Division of Budget.

Part C, relating to the payment of government rates for Child Health Plus, is amended to:

- Make technical revisions to severability provisions.

Part D, relating to the extension of expiring laws:

- Revise the long title to make various technical changes.
- Extend permanently the elimination of a trend factor for nursing homes, hospitals and other various long term care providers.

Part S, relating to the exemption of the Nurse Practice Act for direct care staff in non-certified settings funded, authorized or approved by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities, is amended to:

- Make a technical adjustment to intentionally omit section 5.

Part T, relating to mental hygiene demonstration program authority, is added to:

- Clarify authority of the Commissioners in the Department of Mental Hygiene to design and implement time limited demonstration programs.

Part U, relating to technical amendments consistent with the 2014 consolidation of the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities' Rate Setting function into the Department of Health, is added to:

- Repeal outdated sections of the mental hygiene law which are no longer necessary.
- Make conforming changes and other technical clean-up, consistent with the aforementioned rate setting consolidation.