Amendments to Senate S.1507; Assembly A.2007 (Health and Mental Hygiene Article VII Bill)

Part G, relating to fiscal intermediary contracting and related federal
financial participation, is amended to:

- Maintain the requirement for fiscal intermediary oversight with the Department of Health until January 1, 2020.
- Clarify that eligible fiscal intermediary applicants include all independent living centers.

Part H, relating to hospital related Medicaid Redesign Team recommendations,
is amended to:

- Include statutory authorization to implement rate adjustments for lower performing providers.
- Add authority to promulgate regulations regulating reimbursement for services provided to individuals dually enrolled in Medicaid and Medicare.
- Reduce annual indigent care pool distributions for certain providers.

Part I, relating to pharmacy benefit managers, is amended to:

• Include in the definition of services performed by a Pharmacy Benefit Managers the "negotiation of rebates".

Part P, relating to lead based paint standards recommendations, is amended
to:

• Clarify that lead safe standards adopted by the Department of Health in ensuring rental properties do not expose children to lead based paint would neither be superseded by Uniform Building Code standards nor would they take the place of such standards.

Part R, relating to establishing the Maternal Mortality Review Board, is amended to:

• Make various technical corrections.

Part BB, relating to mental health and substance use disorder health
insurance parity, is amended to:

 Make a technical correction changing "outpatient substance use" to "autism spectrum".

New Part CC, relating to prescriber assistance, is added to:

 Allow for the use of additional pharmacy technicians in pharmacies under the supervision of pharmacists. Part DD, relating to Medicaid across the board savings, is added to:

• Authorize a uniform across the board reduction to the Department of Health Medicaid claims.