

The New York City Council

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Requiring that provision be made for pregnancy termination procedures in every individual or group

policy or contract which provides coverage or

indemnity for hospital, surgical or medical care and which offers maternity care coverage.

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amend the insurance law in relation to requiring that provision be made for pregnancy termination procedures in every individual or group policy or contract which provides coverage or indemnity for

hospital, surgical or medical care and which offers maternity care coverage.

Sponsors: Carlina Rivera, Crystal Hudson, Farah N. Louis, Sandy Nurse, Lincoln Restler

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Res. No. 171

Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, an act to amend the insurance law in relation to requiring that provision be made for pregnancy termination procedures in every individual or group policy or contract which provides coverage or indemnity for hospital, surgical or medical care and which offers maternity care coverage.

By Council Members Rivera, Hudson, Louis, Nurse and Restler

Whereas, Access to comprehensive reproductive health care includes abortion; and

Whereas, Barriers to abortion care are increasing at the local, regional and national levels via various institutional, legislative and regulatory restrictions; and

Whereas, States have the responsibility to regulate fully insured individual, small and large group health insurance policies issued in their state, and can choose to regulate whether abortion coverage is included or excluded in private plans that are not self-insured; and

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Whereas, Part 52 of Title 11 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of

New York (NYCRR) requires all fully insured insurance policies that provide hospital, surgical, or medical

expense coverage to cover "medically necessary" abortions without copayments, coinsurance, or annual

deductibles; and

Whereas, While the codes, rules and regulations contained in the NYCRR have the force of law, an

executive agency may take steps to change them at any time; and

Whereas, A.2807, sponsored by State Assembly Member Deborah Glick, would require every health

insurance policy which provides coverage for hospital, surgical or medical care and which offers maternity care

coverage, to include coverage for the cost of an abortion without any cost-sharing requirements, such as co-

pays or deductibles; and

Whereas, A.2807 was active in the 2019-2020 Legislative Session, and the New York State Legislature

should introduce and pass identical legislation; and

Whereas, If passed, such legislation will effectively codify Part 52 of Title 11 of the NYCRR, and

ensure a birthing person's right to comprehensive reproductive health care coverage in the state of New York;

now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the New York State Legislature to pass,

and the Governor to sign, an act to amend the insurance law in relation to requiring that provision be made for

pregnancy termination procedures in every individual or group policy or contract which provides coverage or

indemnity for hospital, surgical or medical care and which offers maternity care coverage.

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