[Second Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 2550

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

218th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 1, 2018

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman WAYNE P. DEANGELO District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex) Assemblyman RAJ MUKHERJI District 33 (Hudson) Assemblyman JOE DANIELSEN District 17 (Middlesex and Somerset)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Johnson, Assemblywomen Murphy, Pinkin, Assemblymen Mazzeo, Armato, Conaway, Assemblywomen Mosquera, Lopez, Assemblyman Houghtaling, Assemblywomen Downey, Reynolds-Jackson, Assemblymen Space and Wirths

SYNOPSIS

Permits certain health care professionals to waive health insurance copayments for members of military on active duty and their family members.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the General Assembly on February 25, 2019

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/26/2019)

A2550 [2R] DEANGELO, MUKHERJI

1	AN ACT concerning certain health benefits plan copayments a	and
2	supplementing P.L.1997, c.192 (C.26:2S-1 et seq.).	

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. a. Notwithstanding any other law or contract provision to the contrary, if a covered person is a member of the military serving on active duty, ²or a family member of the covered person on active duty, who is also a covered person under the health benefits plan, ² a primary care physician or an advanced practice nurse may waive that covered person's copayment that would otherwise be collected as payment for treatment by the primary care physician or the advanced practice nurse for a covered service pursuant to a participating provider contract between the primary care physician or the advanced practice nurse and a carrier providing a health benefits plan.

b. For the purposes of this section, "carrier" shall include, in addition to an insurance company, health service corporation, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, or health maintenance organization authorized to issue health benefits plans in this State, the State Health Benefits Commission and the ¹School Employees' Health Benefits Commission. ¹

2. This act shall take effect on the 90th day next following enactment and shall apply to health benefits plans that are delivered, issued, executed or renewed, or approved for issuance or renewal in this State, on or after the effective date.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

¹Assembly AMV committee amendments adopted September 17, 2018.

²Assembly floor amendments adopted February 25, 2019.