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Introduced by Sens. DILAN, DIAZ, HASSELL-THOMPSON, PARKER -- read twice  
and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee  
on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to assignment of  
social services recipients to local offices

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-  
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. The social services law is amended by adding a new section  
2     134-c to read as follows:  
3     S 134-C. ASSIGNMENT TO LOCAL OFFICES. FOR THE PURPOSES OF ASSIGNING A  
4     PERSON APPLYING FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OR CARE ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST,  
5     TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN TO A LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICES OFFICE, THE SOCIAL  
6     SERVICES OFFICIAL SHALL ALLOW SUCH PERSON TO CHOOSE THE LOCAL SOCIAL  
7     SERVICES OFFICE MOST ACCESSIBLE TO SUCH PERSON'S PLACE OF RESIDENCE,  
8     PROVIDED THAT SUCH LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICES OFFICE IS LOCATED WITHIN THE  
9     LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICT IN WHICH SUCH PERSON RESIDES, PROVIDED  
10    THAT THE CAPACITY OF SUCH OFFICE PERMITS THE ASSIGNMENT. THE SOCIAL  
11    SERVICES OFFICIAL SHALL INFORM, IN WRITING, AN APPLICANT OF PUBLIC  
12    ASSISTANCE OR CARE OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.  
13    S 2. This act shall take effect immediately provided, however, that  
14    the commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance  
15    shall promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to imple-  
16    ment the provisions of this act on or before January 1, 2013.

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

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