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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to providing for home cooling needs assistance for low income households

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

Section 1. Section 97 of the social services law is amended by adding a new subdivision 6 to read as follows:

6. THE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE IS AUTHORIZED TO DEVELOP A PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE PLAN AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO HELP ELIGIBLE LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS MEET THEIR HOME COOLING NEEDS, AND TO AMEND AND TO TAKE WHATEVER OTHER ACTION MAY BE NECESSARY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH PLAN, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ACTING FOR THE STATE IN ANY NEGOTIATIONS RELATIVE TO THE SUBMISSION OF SUCH PLAN, AND MAKING SUCH ARRANGEMENTS AND TAKING SUCH ACTION, NOT INCONSISTENT WITH LAW, AS MAY BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT, IMPLEMENT, ADMINISTER AND OPERATE SUCH PLAN, AND TO SECURE FOR THE STATE THE BENEFITS AVAILABLE UNDER SUCH ACT. SUCH COOLING NEEDS SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, PURCHASES OF AIR CONDITIONERS AND/OR ASSISTANCE WITH ENERGY COOLING BILLS.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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