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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to requiring social services districts to maintain a waiting list of certain families applying for child care assistance

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

1 Section 1. Section 410-z of the social services law, as added by
2 section 52 of part B of chapter 436 of the laws of 1997, is amended to
3 read as follows:
4 S 410-z. Reporting requirements. 1. Each social services district
5 shall collect and submit to the [department] OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND
6 FAMILY SERVICES, in such form and at such times as specified by the
7 [department] OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, such data and
8 information regarding child care assistance provided under the block
9 grant as the [department] OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES may
10 need to comply with federal reporting requirements.
11 2. (A) EACH SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICT SHALL MAINTAIN A WAITING LIST OF
12 ELIGIBLE FAMILIES WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO
13 THIS TITLE AND WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED SUCH ASSISTANCE. SUCH WAITING LIST
14 SHALL CONTAIN INFORMATION INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

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

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1 (I) THE DATE THE CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE WAS REQUESTED;
2 (II) THE DATE THE CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE WAS RECEIVED;
3 (III) THE AGE OF THE CHILD OR CHILDREN THE ASSISTANCE WAS REQUESTED ON
4 BEHALF OF; AND
5 (IV) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF FAMILIES ON SUCH WAITING LIST AS OF THE FIRST
6 DAY OF EACH MONTH.
7 (B) EACH DISTRICT SHALL ISSUE A REPORT TO THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND
8 FAMILY SERVICES BY OCTOBER FIFTEENTH, TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN, AND ANNUALLY
9 THEREAFTER DETAILING MONTH-TO-MONTH INFORMATION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
10 THIS SUBDIVISION FOR THE PRECEDING PERIOD OF OCTOBER FIRST THROUGH
11 SEPTEMBER THIRTIETH, AND SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
12 (I) THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME FOR FAMILIES ON THE WAITING LIST;
13 (II) THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES ON THE WAITING LIST FOR EACH OF THE
14 FOLLOWING TIME PERIODS:
15 (A) LESS THAN TWO WEEKS,
16 (B) TWO WEEKS TO LESS THAN A MONTH,
17 (C) ONE MONTH TO LESS THAN THREE MONTHS,
18 (D) THREE MONTHS TO LESS THAN SIX MONTHS,
19 (E) SIX MONTHS TO LESS THAN A YEAR, AND
20 (F) ONE YEAR OR MORE;
21 (III) THE AVERAGE AGE OF CHILDREN REPRESENTED ON THE WAITING LIST;
22 (IV) THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN REPRESENTED ON THE WAITING LIST ELIGIBLE
23 FOR EACH:
24 (A) INFANT,
25 (B) TODDLER,
26 (C) PRE-SCHOOL, AND
27 (D) SCHOOL-AGED SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE SLOTS; AND
28 (V) THE NUMBER OF EXISTING INFANT, TODDLER, PRE-SCHOOL AND SCHOOL-AGED
29 SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE SLOTS;
30 (VI) THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES WHO WOULD RECEIVE CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE
31 EXCEPT THAT THEY ARE WAITING FOR AVAILABLE SLOTS IN A PARTICULAR CHILD
32 CARE PROGRAM; AND
33 (VII) OTHER INFORMATION AS THE DISTRICT DEEMS APPROPRIATE.
34 3. (A) EACH SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICT SHALL COLLECT DATA REGARDING THE
35 INCOME OF FAMILIES WHO APPLIED FOR CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO
36 THIS TITLE, SPECIFYING:
37 (I) THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES WHO WERE DENIED;
38 (II) THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES WHO RECEIVED SUCH ASSISTANCE; AND
39 (III) A LISTING OF THE INCOMES PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS
40 SUBDIVISION OF THE FAMILIES WHO APPLIED FOR SUCH ASSISTANCE.
41 (B) EACH DISTRICT SHALL ISSUE A REPORT TO THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND
42 FAMILY SERVICES BY OCTOBER FIFTEENTH, TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN, AND ANNUALLY
43 THEREAFTER, DETAILING MONTH-TO-MONTH INFORMATION COLLECTED PURSUANT TO
44 THIS SUBDIVISION FOR THE PRECEDING PERIOD OF OCTOBER FIRST THROUGH
45 SEPTEMBER THIRTIETH, AND SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
46 (I) THE NUMBER OF ALL FAMILIES WHO APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED CHILD CARE
47 ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE WHOSE:
48 (A) INCOMES WERE UNDER ONE HUNDRED ONE PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY
49 LEVEL FOR THEIR FAMILY SIZE,
50 (B) INCOMES WERE BETWEEN ONE HUNDRED ONE PERCENT AND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY
51 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL FOR THEIR FAMILY SIZE, AND
52 (C) INCOMES WERE BETWEEN ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE PERCENT AND TWO HUNDRED
53 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL FOR THEIR FAMILY SIZE; AND
54 (II) THE NUMBER OF ALL FAMILIES WHO APPLIED FOR AND WERE DENIED CHILD
55 CARE ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE WHOSE:

1 (A) INCOMES WERE UNDER ONE HUNDRED ONE PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY
2 LEVEL FOR THEIR FAMILY SIZE,

3 (B) INCOMES WERE BETWEEN ONE HUNDRED ONE PERCENT AND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY
4 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL FOR THEIR FAMILY SIZE, AND

5 (C) INCOMES WERE BETWEEN ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE PERCENT AND TWO HUNDRED
6 PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL FOR THEIR FAMILY SIZE.

7 4. THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SHALL COMPILE SUCH
8 REPORTS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (B) OF SUBDIVISION TWO, AND PARAGRAPH (B)
9 OF SUBDIVISION THREE OF THIS SECTION, INTO ONE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT
10 CONTAINING ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION ON A COUNTY BY COUNTY BASIS. SUCH
11 REPORT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNOR, THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY,
12 THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE ASSEMBLY
13 COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE SENATE
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15 COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES, THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
16 SOCIAL SERVICES, THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE ASSEMBLY WAYS AND MEANS COMMIT-
17 TEE AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE NO LATER THAN
18 DECEMBER FIRST, TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER.

19 S 2. Nothing in this act shall be construed to require local social
20 services districts to maintain waiting lists for dates preceding the
21 effective date of this act, or to collect data pursuant to subdivision 3
22 of section 410-z of the social services law, as added by section one of
23 this act, for persons who applied for subsidized child care prior to the
24 effective date of this act.

25 S 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2010; provided, however,
26 that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any
27 rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its
28 effective date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on
29 or before such effective date.