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Introduced by M. of A. JACOBS -- read once and referred to the Committee
on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to residential
services for victims of domestic violence

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

1 Section 1. Section 459-b of the social services law, as added by chap-
2 ter 169 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:
3 S 459-b. Residential services for victims of domestic violence. In
4 accordance with section one hundred thirty-one-u of this chapter and the
5 regulations of the [department] OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,
6 a social services district shall offer and provide necessary and avail-
7 able emergency shelter and services at a residential program for victims
8 of domestic violence to a victim of domestic violence who was residing
9 in the social services district at the time of the alleged domestic
10 violence whether or not such victim is eligible for public assistance;
11 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH LAW, RULES AND REGULATIONS SHALL NOT LIMIT
12 THE MAXIMUM LENGTH OF STAY OF VICTIMS AT SUCH RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS TO
13 LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS.
14 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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