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AN ACT to provide for a feasibility study of the use of computers in social services certification or recertification

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

Section 1. The commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance, in conjunction with the human resources administration of the city of New York, is hereby authorized and directed to examine, study, evaluate and make recommendations concerning the feasibility of the utilization of portable personal computers connected to local social services offices by phone line and modem, in cities having a population of one million or more, as a means of determining the certification or recertification of social services applicants or recipients during personal interviews at locations other than the local social services offices and at times which may be at times when the local social services offices are normally closed. Such feasibility study shall be initiated in those local social services offices which the commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance determines to service the most economically distressed areas located in cities having a population of one million or more. Such commissioner shall make a preliminary report to the governor and the legislature of his or her findings, conclusions and recommendations not later than January 1, 2010, and a final report of his or her findings, conclusions and recommendations not later than January 1, 2011, and shall submit with his or her reports such legislative proposals as he or she deems necessary to implement his or her recommendations.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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