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Introduced by Sen. C. JOHNSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to establishing a state internet webpage which provides information on all grants provided by the state

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

Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 164-e to read as follows:

S 164-E. STATE GRANT WEBSITE. 1. DEFINITIONS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:

(A) "APPLICANT" SHALL MEAN ANY INDIVIDUAL, PROPRIETORSHIP, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, COOPERATIVE, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, CORPORATION, NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION, STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY, OR ANY OTHER ENTITY THAT MAY BE INTERESTED IN APPLYING FOR A GRANT.

(B) "GRANT" SHALL MEAN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY A STATE AGENCY TO CARRY OUT A PUBLIC PURPOSE. HOWEVER, SUCH TERM SHALL NOT INCLUDE PERSONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE USED TO BENEFIT AN INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS.

(C) "STATE AGENCY" SHALL MEAN ANY DEPARTMENT, BOARD, BUREAU, COMMISSION, DIVISION, OFFICE, COUNCIL OR AGENCY OF THE STATE, PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION OR PUBLIC AUTHORITY AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF WHICH IS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

2. THE EXECUTIVE CHAMBER SHALL ESTABLISH, POST AND MAINTAIN AN INTERNET WEBPAGE ON THE STATE WEBSITE MAINTAINED BY THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, TO BE KNOWN AS "NEWYORKGRANTS.GOV". SUCH INTERNET WEBPAGE SHALL PROVIDE ACCESS TO AND INFORMATION ON ALL GRANTS OFFERED BY STATE AGENCIES. SUCH INFORMATION INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, APPLICATION FORMS FOR GRANTS IF AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET, SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN A TIMELY MANNER, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, SO THAT APPLICANTS MAY APPLY FOR SUCH GRANTS AND ASSISTANCE. THE WEBPAGE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBDIVISION MAY PROVIDE LINKS TO SIMILAR FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL AND OTHER INTERNET WEBSITES OFFERING GRANTS, AND LINKS TO GOVERNMENT PERSONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, SUCH AS BENEFITS AND LOANS.

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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