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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to the supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP)

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 95 of the social services law is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

(C) THE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE, OR SUCH OTHER AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE GOVERNOR, SHALL APPLY TO THE SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR WAIVERS OF FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) RULES IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE AVAILABILITY OF SNAP BENEFITS TO LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS AND HOUSEHOLDS. THE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE SHALL DIRECT EVERY ELIGIBLE SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICT TO PROVIDE SNAP BENEFITS TO PERSONS WHO QUALIFY UNDER SUCH WAIVERS, PROVIDED THAT SUCH PERSONS MEET ALL SNAP REQUIREMENTS OTHER THAN THOSE WAIVED BY THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

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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