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Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN, DINOWITZ, ENGLEBRIGHT, ORTIZ, JAFFEE --
Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. AUBRY, CLARK, COOK, GOTTFRIED, GUNTHER,
HOOPER, PERRY, SCARBOROUGH -- read once and referred to the Committee
on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to establishing
school-outreach domestic violence prevention programs

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 459-a of the social services law,
2 as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as
3 follows:
4 5. "Non-residential program for victims of domestic violence" means
5 any program operated by a not-for-profit organization, for the purpose
6 of providing non-residential services to victims of domestic violence,
7 including, but not limited to, information and referral services, advo-
8 cacy, counseling, and community education and outreach activities and
9 providing or arranging for hotline services. Victims of domestic
10 violence and their children, if any, shall constitute at least seventy
11 percent of the clientele of such programs; PROVIDED THAT CLIENTELE IN A
12 SCHOOL-OUTREACH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM SHALL BE DISRE-
13 Garded in making this calculation.
14 S 2. Section 459-c of the social services law is amended by adding a
15 new subdivision 3 to read as follows:
16 3. (A) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBDIVISION AND THE
17 REGULATIONS OF THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, A SOCIAL
18 SERVICES DISTRICT SHALL PURCHASE FROM A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION
19 OPERATING A NON-RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND
20 PROVIDE TO STUDENTS WITHIN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL SETTINGS A
21 PROGRAM OF INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES, ADVOCACY, COUNSELING, AND
22 EDUCATION ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

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

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1 (B) TO THE EXTENT THAT FUNDS ARE APPROPRIATED EXPRESSLY THEREFOR,
2 STATE REIMBURSEMENT SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE
3 EXPENDITURES MADE BY A SOCIAL SERVICES DISTRICT FOR PROGRAMS PROVIDED
4 PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SUBDIVISION.

5 S 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
6 it shall have become a law; provided that the commissioner of the office
7 of children and family services is authorized to promulgate any and all
8 rules and regulations and take any other measures necessary to implement
9 this act on its effective date on or before such date.