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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to requiring agen-
cies to provide potential adoptive parents with information concerning
state-funded benefits or services received by a foster child that
expire upon adoption

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

1 Section 1. Section 372-f of the social services law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:
3 5. THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SHALL PROMULGATE REGU-
4 LATIONS WHICH SHALL REQUIRE AUTHORIZED AGENCIES IN THE STATE TO PROVIDE
5 A FOSTER PARENT, WHO HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ADOPTING A FOSTER CHILD,
6 WITH A LIST OF ANY PUBLICLY-FUNDED BENEFITS OR SERVICES THAT SUCH FOSTER
7 CHILD WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR UPON THE ADOPTION OF SUCH FOSTER CHILD AS
8 WELL AS A LIST OF ANY PUBLICLY-FUNDED BENEFITS OR SERVICES THAT SUCH
9 FOSTER CHILD IS CURRENTLY ELIGIBLE FOR, BUT SHALL EXPIRE UPON THE
10 ADOPTION OF SUCH FOSTER CHILD. IF A SERVICE SHALL EXPIRE, INFORMATION
11 SHALL BE PROVIDED ON IF THAT SERVICE IS AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY OR
12 HOW THAT SERVICE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM OTHER PRIVATE SOURCES. SUCH
13 INFORMATION SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON SUCH OFFICE'S
14 WEBSITE.
15 S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
16 have become a law.

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

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