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Introduced by Sen. SAMPSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Children and Families

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to establishing the YES annex youth organization pilot program in Brooklyn, Syracuse and Buffalo

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

Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "YES annex youth organization pilot program".

S 2. The social services law is amended by adding a new section 410-n to read as follow:

S 410-N. YES ANNEX YOUTH ORGANIZATION PILOT PROGRAM. 1. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISBURSING GRANTS TO YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS SEEKING TO UTILIZE LATERAL SYNERGIES AND WORK COOPERATIVELY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF TODAY'S YOUTH. UNDER THIS PILOT PROGRAM MULTIPLE YOUTH SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE EMPOWERED TO JOIN TOGETHER UNDER ONE UMBRELLA AND CREATE A ONE-STOP-SHOP TO PROVIDE SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES TO CHILDREN INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO TUTORING AND MENTORING PROGRAMS, COUNSELING, SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, CAREER COUNSELING, S.A.T. PREPARATION, LIFE SKILLS CLASSES AND HEALTH AND FITNESS INSTRUCTION.

2. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ESTABLISH CRITERIA AND SET A SCHEDULE FOR ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR GRANT AWARDS FROM INTERESTED YOUTH ORGANIZATION GROUPS WITHIN ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES.

3. THE COMMISSIONER UPON REVIEW OF PROPOSALS SHALL AWARD AND DISBURSE THREE GRANTS, IN THE SUM OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO ONE GROUP SELECTED FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING HIGH RISK ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES: ONE FROM THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, ONE IN THE CITY OF SYRACUSE AND ONE IN THE CITY OF BUFFALO.

4. SELECTED GRANT RECIPIENTS SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSIONER, TO THE COMMISSIONER AND THE

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

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LEGISLATURE ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM AND THE RESULTS ACHIEVED TWO YEARS AFTER SUCH GRANTS ARE DISBURSED.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, the state commissioner of social services shall have the power to promulgate any rules or regulations necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date.