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Introduced by Sen. GALLIVAN -- (at request of the Office of Victim Services) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Crime Victims, Crime and Correction

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to increasing the threshold for proof of financial difficulty

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

Section 1. The opening paragraph of paragraph (a) of subdivision 6 of section 631 of the executive law, as amended by section 22 of part A-1 of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

Claims may be approved only if the office finds that unless the claimant's award is approved he OR SHE will suffer financial difficulty. However, no finding of financial difficulty is required for a claim for an emergency award or an award less than [five] TEN thousand dollars. In determining financial difficulty, the office shall consider all relevant factors, including but not limited to:

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately, and shall apply to all claims filed on and after such date.

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

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