STATE OF NEW YORK

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Introduced by M. of A. SIMON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means -- recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to establishing a tax deduction for the adoption of a child with special needs

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 615 of the tax law is amended by 1 2 adding a new paragraph 6 to read as follows: 3 (6) an amount equal to ten thousand dollars for the adoption of a child with special needs. The amount allowed by this paragraph may be 4 5 used by a taxpayer to increase his or her deduction in each year that б the taxpayer is the legal parent of a child with special needs. 7 For purposes of this paragraph, a child with special needs shall mean 8 any child who is under the age of twenty-one and who possesses a specific physical, mental, or emotional condition or disability of such sever-9 10 ity or kind that, in the opinion of the office of children and family 11 services, would constitute a significant obstacle to the child's 12 adoption.

13 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable 14 years commencing on and after January 1, 2018.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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