

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

June 14, 2018

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Rodriguez)
-- read once and referred to the Committee on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to creating the Hurricane Maria temporary housing assistance program; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. Article 2-A of the social services law is amended by adding
2 a new title 3 to read as follows:

TITLE 3

HURRICANE MARIA TEMPORARY HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Section 47. Establishment; definitions.

47-a. Application.

7 § 47. Establishment; definitions. 1. There is hereby established under
8 the administration of the commissioner the Hurricane Maria temporary
9 housing assistance program, which shall assist qualified individuals in
10 receiving an emergency housing deposit and one month's rental assist-
11 ance.

2. For purposes of this title:

13 (i) "qualified individual" shall mean an individual receiving assist-
14 ance under the federal emergency management agency's transitional shel-
15 tering assistance program as a result of Hurricane Maria;

16 (ii) "funding" shall mean a security deposit up to one thousand
17 dollars and one month's rent up to one thousand dollars; and

18 (iii) "qualified residence" shall mean housing located within the
19 state of New York with a rent obligation of one thousand dollars or less
20 per month.

21 § 47-a. Application. 1. A qualified individual located within the
22 state shall be eligible to receive funding for a qualified residence
23 from the local social services district in which such qualified resi-
24 dence is located.

25 2. Within one year of receipt of such funding, such qualified individ-
26 ual shall reimburse such local social services district for the cost of

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

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1 the security deposit provided to such qualified individual under subdi-
2 vision one of this section.

3 3. The commissioner shall work in conjunction with the commissioner of
4 taxation and finance or his or her designee to facilitate the reimburse-
5 ment of the additional funding provided under subdivision one of this
6 section. Such reimbursement shall be divided in half and collected from
7 the qualified individual in their two thousand nineteen and two thousand
8 twenty tax returns, with half collected in two thousand nineteen and the
9 remaining half collected in two thousand twenty.

10 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be
11 deemed repealed August 29, 2018.