

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. HEVESI -- read once and referred to the Committee on Social Services -- reported and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to assisting persons with medically diagnosed HIV infection; and repealing certain provisions of such law relating thereto

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 14 of section 131-a of the social services law,  
2 as amended by section 1 of part ZZ of chapter 59 of the laws of 2018, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 14. In determining the need for aid provided pursuant to public  
5 assistance programs, each person living with medically diagnosed HIV  
6 infection as defined by the AIDS institute of the department of health  
7 [~~in social services districts with a population over five million~~] who  
8 is receiving [~~services through such district's administrative unit~~  
9 ~~providing HIV/AIDS services,~~] public assistance and earned and/or  
10 unearned income, shall not be required to pay more than thirty percent  
11 of his or her monthly earned and/or unearned income toward the cost of  
12 rent that such person has a direct obligation to pay; this provision  
13 shall not apply to room and board arrangements.

14 § 2. Subdivision 15 of section 131-a of the social services law is  
15 REPEALED.

16 § 3. Section 131 of the social services law is amended by adding two  
17 new subdivisions 21 and 22 to read as follows:

18 21. When necessary, each local social services district shall assist  
19 persons with medically diagnosed HIV infection as defined by the AIDS  
20 institute of the department of health (i) secure the required documenta-  
21 tion to determine eligibility for assistance, (ii) arrange for required  
22 face-to-face interviews to be conducted during home visits or at other  
23 appropriate sites, and (iii) by providing referrals for services as well  
24 as other resources and materials as described in subdivision twenty-two  
25 of this section.

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

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1     22. The office, in consultation with the department of health, shall  
2     create, maintain, and periodically update information on the office's  
3     website regarding resources and services throughout the state, including  
4     the location of such services, which shall include but not be limited  
5     to, community based supports, employment opportunities, and medical  
6     professionals specialized in assisting such persons with medically diag-  
7     nosed HIV infection as defined by the AIDS institute of the department  
8     of health, to be utilized by the local social services districts. Such  
9     information shall also be made available on the office's website.

10    § 4. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
11    have become a law; provided, however, that if section 1 of part ZZ of  
12    chapter 59 of the laws of 2018 shall not have taken effect on or before  
13    such date then section one of this act shall take effect on the same  
14    date and in the same manner as such chapter of the laws of 2018, takes  
15    effect.