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January 11, 2017

Introduced by Sens. SQUADRON, FELDER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to work experience

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

Section 1. Section 336-c of the social services law is amended by adding a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:

5. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a social services official may not recover public assistance properly paid as permitted under sections one hundred four, one hundred four-b, one hundred six, one hundred thirty-one-r and subdivision three of section one hundred fifty-eight of this chapter or any other provision of this title, where a recipient or former recipient of such assistance was required to participate in a work experience program under this section without first crediting against such recovery the number of hours that such person actually participated in a work experience program multiplied by the higher of the applicable state or federal minimum wage. Nothing in this subdivision shall alter the rules governing and definition of work experience programs as enumerated in subdivisions one, two, three and four of this section. This subdivision shall apply only to the number of hours of participation in the work experience program and shall not apply to any other activity for which a social services district has required a recipient or former recipient to participate in, including but not limited to substance abuse treatment or rehabilitation, job search, and vocational or remedial education activities.

§ 2. Effective immediately, the office of temporary and disability assistance shall promulgate rules and regulations, and conduct any requisite training necessary for the implementation of this act.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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