STATE OF NEW YORK

IN ASSEMBLY

June 3, 2020

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

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to requiring the
  commissioner to prepare a report of the sheltered and unsheltered
  homeless population during a state disaster emergency

  **The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-
  bly, do enact as follows:**

1   Section 1. Section 17 of the social services law is amended by adding
2 a new subdivision (d-1) to read as follows:
3   **(d-1)(1) in consultation with each local health department in the**
4 **county in which the homeless shelter is located, the commissioner of the**
5 **department of health, the commissioners of the department of homeless**
6 **services, and the commissioner of the New York city department of health**
7 **and mental hygiene, shall collect information regarding the sheltered**
8 **and unsheltered homeless population, during a state disaster emergency,**
9 **as defined in section twenty of the executive law, including but not**
10 **limited to:**
11   **(i) the number of confirmed infected individuals;**
12   **(ii) the number of hospitalizations;**
13   **(iii) the number of deaths;**
14   **(iv) information regarding the individual, if known; (a) age; (b)**
15 **race; (c) family composition; (d) shelter status; (e) type of shelter**
16 **including: family shelter, a shelter for adults, a hotel, an emergency**
17 **apartment, a domestic violence shelter, a runaway and homeless youth**
18 **shelter, or as a safe house for refugees; (f) any known risk factors;**
19 **and (g) any other information the office deems appropriate.**
20   **(2) utilizing the information collected pursuant to paragraph (1) of**
21 **this subdivision, the commissioners shall publish a report containing**
22 **such information aggregated by county and post it on the website of each**
23 **respective agency.**
24   § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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