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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. GALEF, ENGLEBRIGHT, ORTIZ, MOSLEY, GOTTFRIED,  
MONTESANO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental  
Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to grants to assist local  
governments with reducing paper

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

1 Section 1. Article 7 of the executive law is amended by adding a new  
2 section 171 to read as follows:

3 § 171. Grants to local governments for the reduction of paper use. 1.  
4 Within the annual amounts appropriated therefor, the secretary of state  
5 may award grants on a competitive basis to local governments in order to  
6 reduce paper usage and to implement digital alternatives to paper. The  
7 secretary of state shall by regulation establish criteria for such  
8 competitive grants, which shall at a minimum:

9 (a) provide that the maximum grant amount shall not exceed ten thou-  
10 sand dollars per local government;

11 (b) require local matching funds equal to twenty-five percent of the  
12 total amount of such grant; and

13 (c) establish an application, evaluation, and award process for such  
14 grant program, which shall be competitive and publicly available.

15 2. Grants awarded to local governments pursuant to this section may be  
16 included in calculations to demonstrate three year cost savings and  
17 efficiencies for government efficiency plans submitted to the director  
18 of the budget pursuant to subdivisions three and four of section three-d  
19 of the general municipal law.

20 3. For the purposes of this section, the term "local government" shall  
21 have the same meaning as in section three-c of the general municipal  
22 law.

23 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
24 have become a law.

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

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