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Introduced by 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 of social services to submit a report on the services provided to human trafficking survivors

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

Section 1. Section 17 of the social services law is amended by adding a new subdivision (d-1) to read as follows:

(d-1) in consultation with the commissioner of the division of criminal justice, submit a report to the governor, the speaker of the assembly, the temporary president of the senate and the chairs of the assembly and senate standing committee on social services, on the services provided to human trafficking survivors for the purpose of assessing the availability, utilization and necessity for such services. The initial report shall be provided one year after the effective date of this subdivision and annually thereafter and shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(i) the number of human trafficking referrals made to the office of temporary and disability assistance including the number of confirmed cases;

(ii) the number of human trafficking survivors that received housing and/or services, with specific information about the type of housing or service;

(iii) the number of human trafficking survivors that did not receive housing and/or services, and an indication as to what type of housing and/or service was requested and whether such housing and/or services were denied due to a lack of availability or because the case was not confirmed; and

(iv) information pertaining to the types of services provided by providers such as: (1) the number of current contracts to provide hous-

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

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ing and services for human trafficking survivors and their annual funding levels, broken down by contract; (2) the number of contracts and/or services that have ended, been terminated or not renewed and the reason why; (3) the types of housing and/or services that are provided, as well as the availability of such services, including the geographic location of such housing or service; and (4) any other information the office of temporary and disability assistance deems appropriate.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.