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IN SENATE

May 13, 2020

- Introduced by Sen. PERSAUD -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Children and Families
- AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to defining a kinship caregiver

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

1	Section 1. Section 371 of the social services law is amended by adding
2	a new subdivision 22 to read as follows:
3	22. "Kinship caregiver" means a relative or non-relative who is acting
4	as a parent and who:
5	(a) is related to the child through blood, marriage or adoption;
6	(b) is related to a half-sibling of the child through blood, marriage
7	or adoption; or
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- 8 (c) is an adult with a positive prior relationship with the child, a 9 half-sibling of the child or the child's parent, including, but not
- 10 limited to, a step-parent, godparent, neighbor or family friend.
- 11 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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