

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. L. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to the automatic  
reinstatement of public assistance following the completion of resi-  
dential drug treatment

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

1 Section 1. The social services law is amended by adding a new section  
2 131-y to read as follows:

3 § 131-y. Automatic reinstatement of public assistance following the  
4 completion of residential drug treatment. 1. Any individual who has been  
5 placed in a mandated residential treatment facility and has had his or  
6 her public assistance suspended as a result of such placement shall not  
7 be required to reapply for public assistance when such placement has  
8 ended and shall be automatically reenrolled in both a cash and non-cash  
9 public assistance program beginning on and after the day of release from  
10 such facility.

11 2. Residential treatment facilities shall work in conjunction with the  
12 department to provide the necessary services and assistance to ensure  
13 such individuals who require the reinstatement of public assistance  
14 after release from a facility pursuant to this section are re-enrolled  
15 in cash and non-cash public assistance programs prior to their release  
16 from such facility.

17 § 2. 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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