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Introduced by Sens. TEDISCO, BOYLE, SEPULVEDA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

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 Assembly, 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:
- § 171. Grants to local governments for the reduction of paper use. 1.
 Within the annual amounts appropriated therefor, the secretary of state
 may award grants on a competitive basis to local governments in order to
 reduce paper usage and to implement digital alternatives to paper. The
 secretary of state shall by regulation establish criteria for such
 competitive grants, which shall at a minimum:
- 9 (a) provide that the maximum grant amount shall not exceed ten thou10 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 <u>(c) establish an application, evaluation, and award process for such</u> 14 <u>grant program, which shall be competitive and publicly available.</u>
- 2. Grants awarded to local governments pursuant to this section may be included in calculations to demonstrate three year cost savings and efficiencies for government efficiency plans submitted to the director of the budget pursuant to subdivisions three and four of section three-d of the general municipal law.
- 3. For the purposes of this section, the term "local government" shall
 have the same meaning as in section three-c of the general municipal
 law.
- § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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