STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

February 21, 2019

Introduced by Sen. STAVISKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to requiring family homeless shelters for ten or more families in the city of New York to have a working kitchen in each individual housing unit

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

Section 1. The social services law is amended by adding a new section 152-c to read as follows:

§ 152-c. On-site working kitchens. In the city of New York any provider of temporary housing assistance for ten or more families in a family homeless shelter shall be required to have a working kitchen in each individual housing unit. Such "working kitchen" shall be installed within sixty days of the registration of the contract between the operator of such family homeless shelter and the city of New York. For the purposes of this section, "working kitchen" shall mean an area in each individual housing unit where food can be prepared and cooked. Such working kitchen shall include, at a minimum, a sink, a refrigerator and a double burner stove. If a provider of temporary family housing shelter fails to meet the requirements set out in this section, it shall be prohibited from accepting any new clients until such requirements are met.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

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

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