

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. GOUNARDES -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT directing a study on the impact of increased minimum wage on eligibility for income-based services, programs and subsidies

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

1 Section 1. The commissioner of the department of labor, in consulta-  
2 tion with the commissioners of the office of temporary and disability  
3 assistance, the department of health, the office of children and family  
4 services, and the department of taxation and finance (hereinafter, "the  
5 commissioners"), any other department, division, board, bureau, commis-  
6 sion, agency or public authority of the state or any political subdivi-  
7 sion thereof deemed necessary by the commissioners, shall prepare a  
8 comprehensive study and report on the impact that the increase in mini-  
9 mum wage has or will have on the eligibility of the working poor to  
10 receive important and necessary services. Such study shall include an  
11 analysis of any effect on the eligibility of working individuals for all  
12 programs with an income eligibility requirement and/or the potential  
13 reduction in benefits under such programs, which may occur due to  
14 increased wages. The study shall also examine the impact on individuals  
15 and families near the poverty level of the loss of services, programs  
16 and subsidies and the adequacy of increased wages to cover the costs of  
17 such expenses.

18 § 2. The commissioners shall publish such report to the governor, the  
19 temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the  
20 minority leader of the senate, and the minority leader of the assembly,  
21 no later than December 31, 2019.

22 § 3. 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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