STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 16, 2020

Introduced by Sen. PERSAUD -- 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 establishing a restaurant meals program as part of the supplemental nutrition assistance program

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

- Section 1. Section 95 of the social services law is amended by adding
- 2 a new subdivision 11 to read as follows: 11. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
- 4 the office shall establish a restaurant meals program as part of SNAP. 5 Under the restaurant meals program, households containing elderly or
- 6 disabled members, and their spouses, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 2012(j), or
- 7 homeless individuals, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 2012(1), shall have the
- option in accordance with 7 U.S.C. 2012(k) to redeem their SNAP benefits
- 9 at private establishments that contract with the office to offer meals
- 10 for eliqible individuals at concessional prices subject to 7 U.S.C.
- 11 <u>2018(h)</u>.
- (b) The office shall adopt any rules necessary to implement the 12
- 13 provisions of this subdivision.
- 14 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
- 15 ing the date on which 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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