7290

## 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 a new subdivision 11 to read as follows:

3 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 8 9 at private establishments that contract with the office to offer meals 10 for eligible individuals at concessional prices subject to 7 U.S.C. 11 **2018(h)**. (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 <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

LBD13915-01-9