

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

January 30, 2021

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Introduced by Sen. FELDER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary -- reported favorably from said committee and committed to the Committee on Finance -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the family court act, in relation to the hours of operation for family courts

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision (a) of section 161 of the family court act is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (a) The days and hours the court is open shall be as provided by rule  
4 of court; provided, however, the family court in each county within the  
5 city of New York shall remain open until midnight on at least one week-  
6 day each week. The clerk of the court in such family courts shall  
7 accept, until at least eleven o'clock p.m., petitions filed pursuant to  
8 articles three, six, eight, and ten of this act on such weekday. Any  
9 matter pursuant to any article of this act may be heard by the court  
10 until midnight on such weekday.

11 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of April next succeeding  
12 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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