

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

February 23, 2021

Introduced by Sen. BROUK -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Mental Health

AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to rental and mortgage payments of supportive housing for the mentally ill

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

1 Section 1. Section 41.38 of the mental hygiene law, as amended by
2 chapter 218 of the laws of 1988, is amended to read as follows:

3 § 41.38 Rental and mortgage payments of community residential facilities
4 for the mentally ill.

5 Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of this article, the
6 commissioner may reimburse voluntary agencies for the reasonable cost of
7 rental of or the reasonable mortgage payment or the reasonable principal
8 and interest payment on a loan for the purpose of financing an ownership
9 interest in, and proprietary lease from, an organization formed for the
10 purpose of the cooperative ownership of real estate, together with other
11 necessary costs associated with rental or ownership of property, for a
12 community residence ~~[or]~~, a residential care center for adults, or
13 supportive housing under his or her jurisdiction less any income
14 received from a state or federal agency or third party insurer which is
15 specifically intended to offset the cost of rental of the facility or
16 housing a client at the facility or of the supportive housing, subject
17 to the availability of appropriations therefor and such commissioner's
18 certification of the reasonableness of the rental cost, mortgage
19 payment, principal and interest payment on a loan as provided in this
20 section or other necessary costs associated with rental or ownership of
21 property, with the approval of the director of the budget.

22 § 2. This act shall take effect April 1, 2022.

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

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