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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 statewide 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:

- 1 Section 1. Section 95 of the social services law is amended by adding 2 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 statewide restaurant meals program as part
 5 of SNAP. Under the restaurant meals program, households containing
- 6 <u>elderly or disabled members, and their spouses, as defined in 7 U.S.C.</u>
 7 2012(j), or homeless individuals, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 2012(l), shall
- 8 have the option in accordance with 7 U.S.C. 2012(k) to redeem their SNAP
- 9 benefits at private establishments that contract with the office to
- offer meals for eligible individuals at concessional prices subject to 7 11 U.S.C. 2018(h).
- 12 <u>(b) The office shall adopt any rules necessary to implement the</u> 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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