STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

March 16, 2021

Introduced by M. of A. GUNTHER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Labor -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to notifying individuals applying for and receiving unemployment benefits of rental, mortgage, food, and utility assistance programs

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

1 Section 1. The labor law is amended by adding a new section 596-a to 2 read as follows:

§ 596-a. Notification of state assistance programs. The commission-4 er, in consultation with the commissioner of the division of housing and community renewal and the commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance, shall provide a notice to each individual filing a new claim for unemployment benefits informing the individual of rental assistance and mortgage assistance programs available through the divi-9 sion of housing and community renewal and food and utility assistance 10 programs available through the office of temporary and disability assistance. The commissioner shall also provide a link to such programs 12 on the department's website. Such link shall be prominently displayed 13 and easily accessible by individuals filing a claim or certifying for 14 <u>unemployment benefits.</u>

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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