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Introduced by M. of A. DINOWITZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Social Services -- recommitted to the Committee on Social Services in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the civil rights law, in relation to a gender-neutral marker on all benefits applications

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

- Section 1. Section 79-q of the civil rights law is amended by adding a
- 2 new subdivision 2-a to read as follows: 2-a. All application materials, instructions, public guidance, and
- related materials associated with a benefits application process, including electronic and online materials and applications shall be
- 6 amended and updated to clarify that any person can select or indicate a
- 7 gender or sex designation of "x" when such information is requested. The
- 8 content of the gender or sex field shall not delay or otherwise hinder
- access to services for any applicant.
- 10 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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