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AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to establishing differential payment rates for child care services provided by licensed, registered or enrolled child care providers

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

- Section 1. Section 410-x of the social services law is amended by adding a new subdivision 9 to read as follows:
 - 9. A social services district shall establish differential payment rates for child care services provided by licensed, registered or enrolled child care providers as required by this subdivision.
- (a) Local social services districts shall establish a differential 7 payment rate for child care services provided by licensed or registered child care providers who provide care to a child or children experiencing homelessness. Such differential payment rate shall be fifteen 10 percent higher than the actual cost of care or the applicable market-re-11 lated payment rate established by the office in regulations, whichever 12 is less.
- (b) Local social services districts shall establish a differential 13 14 payment rate for child care services provided by licensed, registered, 15 or enrolled child care providers who provide care to a child during 16 nontraditional hours. Nontraditional hours shall mean care provided in
- 17 the evening, night or on the weekend. Such differential payment rate 18 shall be fifteen percent higher than the actual cost of care or the
- 19 applicable market-related payment rate established by the office in
- 20 <u>regulations</u>, whichever is less.

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

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1 (c) Local social services districts may establish differential payment
2 rates that are higher than the actual cost of care or applicable market
3 rate for child care services provided in any other situation they deem
4 appropriate to incentivize licensed, registered or enrolled child care
5 providers to serve eligible families in need of care.

6 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of April next succeeding 7 the date on which it shall have become a law.