STATE OF NEW YORK

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2023-2024 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 5, 2023

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

AN ACT to amend the social services law and the state finance law, in relation to requiring enhanced federal medical assistance percentage funds be directly shared with the counties and the city of New York

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

Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 363-a of the social services law, as amended by chapter 474 of the laws of 1996, is amended to read as follows:

4. The department of taxation and finance shall accept and receive any and all grants of money awarded to the state under title XIX, or any successor title, of the federal social security act. All moneys so received shall be deposited by the department of taxation and finance in a special fund or funds and shall be used by the state exclusively for medical assistance and the administration thereof under the provisions of this title. Such moneys shall be paid from such fund or funds on audit and warrant of the comptroller on vouchers of or certification by the department of health. **Any and all grants of enhanced federal medical assistance percentage funds awarded to the state shall be directly distributed to the counties and the city of New York proportionate to the county and city of New York share of the non-federal share of medical assistance.**

§ 2. Section 8 of the state finance law is amended by adding a new subdivision 21 to read as follows:

21. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, examine and audit all funds received from the enhanced federal medical assistance percentage and the distributions made to counties and the city of New York, and identify whether the distribution of enhanced federal medical assistance percentage funds was proportional to the portion of each county's share and the city of New York's share of the non-federal share

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

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of medical assistance. Upon thorough examination, audit, and identification of proportionality of distributions, make a report to the legislature containing said findings prior to the convening of its annual session.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.