STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 10, 2024

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 an EBT card replacement program

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

Section 1. The social services law is amended by adding a new section 131-sss to read as follows:

§ 131-sss. Public benefit card replacement. 1. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) "Commissioner" shall mean the commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance.

(b) "Office" or "OTDA" shall mean the office of temporary and disability assistance.

(c) "EBT card" shall mean an electronic benefit transfer card issued for access to benefits provided pursuant to this chapter.

2. Within one year of the effective date of this section, the commissioner shall develop and implement a program to replace all EBT cards issued in the state which utilize magnetic strips with cards that utilize chip technology. The office shall coordinate with all commissioners of social services and EBT card issuers within the state to implement such card replacement program.

§ 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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