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Introduced by Sens. PERSAUD, CLEARE, COMRIE, GONZALEZ, HOYLMAN-SIGAL, PARKER, SALAZAR -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Social Services -- recommitted to the Committee on Social Services in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to increasing the standards of monthly need and home energy grant amounts for persons in receipt of public assistance

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a-4) of subdivision 2 of section 131-a of the
2 social services law, as added by section 1 of part D of chapter 57 of
3 the laws of 2012, is amended and a new paragraph (a-5) is added to read
4 as follows:

5 (a-4) For the period beginning October first, two thousand twelve and
6 [~~thereafter~~] ending June thirtieth, two thousand twenty-four, the
7 following shall be the standard of monthly need for determining eligi-
8 bility for all categories of assistance in and by all social services
9 districts:

	Number of Persons in Household					
	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six
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12	\$158	\$252	\$336	\$433	\$534	\$617
13	For each additional person in the household there shall be added an					
14	additional amount of eighty-five dollars monthly.					

15 (a-5) For the period beginning July first, two thousand twenty-four,
16 the following shall be the standard of monthly need for determining
17 eligibility for all categories of assistance in and by all social
18 services districts:

	<u>Number of Persons in Household</u>					
	<u>One</u>	<u>Two</u>	<u>Three</u>	<u>Four</u>	<u>Five</u>	<u>Six</u>
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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 (b) For the period beginning July first, two thousand twenty-four,
 2 persons and families determined to be eligible by the application of the
 3 standard of need prescribed by the provisions of subdivision two of this
 4 section, shall receive a home energy grant equal to the following month-
 5 ly amounts:

<u>Number of Persons in Household</u>					
<u>One</u>	<u>Two</u>	<u>Three</u>	<u>Four</u>	<u>Five</u>	<u>Six</u>
<u>\$47</u>	<u>\$75</u>	<u>\$100</u>	<u>\$128</u>	<u>\$158</u>	<u>\$183</u>

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 9 For each additional needy person in the household there shall be added
 10 an additional amount of twenty-five dollars.

11 Annually thereafter, the standard of monthly need for determining
 12 eligibility for all categories of assistance in and by all social
 13 services districts shall be increased based on the current cost of
 14 living adjustments as determined by the federal social security adminis-
 15 tration.

16 § 4. Subdivision 3-d of section 131-a of the social services law, as
 17 added by chapter 60 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as follows:

18 3-d. (a) Commencing January first, nineteen hundred eighty-six and
 19 ending June thirtieth, two thousand twenty-four, for persons and fami-
 20 lies determined to be eligible by the application of the standard of
 21 need prescribed by the provisions of subdivision two of this section,
 22 the amounts set forth in paragraph (a) of subdivision three of this
 23 section, after application of subdivision three-c of this section, shall
 24 be increased by the following amounts as a monthly supplemental home
 25 energy grant:

<u>Number of Persons in Household</u>					
<u>One</u>	<u>Two</u>	<u>Three</u>	<u>Four</u>	<u>Five</u>	<u>Six</u>
<u>\$11</u>	<u>\$17</u>	<u>\$23</u>	<u>\$30</u>	<u>\$37</u>	<u>\$42</u>

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 29 For each additional needy person in the household, there shall be
 30 added an additional amount of five dollars monthly.

31 (b) For the period beginning July first, two thousand twenty-four, for
 32 persons and families determined to be eligible by the application of the
 33 standard of need prescribed by the provisions of subdivision two of this
 34 section, the amounts set forth in paragraph (a) of subdivision three of
 35 this section, after application of subdivision three-c of this section,
 36 shall be increased by the following amounts as a monthly supplemental
 37 home energy grant:

<u>Number of Persons in Household</u>					
<u>One</u>	<u>Two</u>	<u>Three</u>	<u>Four</u>	<u>Five</u>	<u>Six</u>
<u>\$30</u>	<u>\$46</u>	<u>\$62</u>	<u>\$81</u>	<u>\$100</u>	<u>\$114</u>

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 41 For each additional needy person in the household, there shall be
 42 added an additional amount of fourteen dollars monthly.

43 Annually thereafter, the standard of monthly need for determining
 44 eligibility for all categories of assistance in and by all social
 45 services districts shall be increased based on the current cost of
 46 living adjustments as determined by the federal social security adminis-
 47 tration.

48 § 5. This act shall take effect immediately.