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IN SENATE

February 13, 2024

- Introduced by Sen. COMRIE -- 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 requiring food distributors that accept SNAP benefits to establish a mechanism to apply coupons to purchases made by eligible recipients of SNAP benefits

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

Section 1. Section 95 of the social services law is amended by adding a new subdivision 12 to read as follows:

3 <u>12. (a) Any food distributor that accepts SNAP benefits shall estab-</u>
4 <u>lish a mechanism to apply any available coupons or discounts to</u>
5 <u>purchases made by eligible recipients of SNAP benefits.</u>

6 (b) Any such available coupons or discounts shall be automatically

7 applied when a customer makes a purchase using SNAP. An eligible recipi-

8 ent of SNAP benefits shall not be required to provide a physical coupon 9 in order to receive the discount from such coupon.

10 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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