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## IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the elder law, in relation to ensuring the long-term sustainability and viability of senior centers in all areas of the state

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

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 216 of the elder law, as added by  
2 chapter 399 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:  
3 4. Purpose. The purpose of the council shall be to (a) provide a forum  
4 for discussion of challenges facing senior centers across the state and  
5 developing solutions;  
6 (b) support sharing of information regarding efficient and effective  
7 operation of senior centers in different areas around the state;  
8 (c) encourage the spread of methods and programs with proven effec-  
9 tiveness;  
10 (d) create an environment for peer-to-peer support for senior centers  
11 across the state; [~~and~~]  
12 (e) offer recommendations for how the state can support senior centers  
13 and lower barriers to effective service delivery[~~-~~]; and  
14 (f) engage in statewide planning of both a programmatic and fiscal  
15 nature to ensure the long-term sustainability and viability of senior  
16 centers in all areas of the state.  
17 § 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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