STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 13, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to prohibiting requiring certain municipalities to contribute local shares of eligible expenditures in order to receive funding associated with raising the age of juvenile jurisdiction above fifteen years of age

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

Section 1. Section 54-m of the state finance law, as added by section 104 of part WWW of chapter 59 of the laws of 2017, is amended to read as follows:

§ 54-m. Local share requirements associated with increasing the age of juvenile jurisdiction above fifteen years of age. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, counties and the city of New York shall not be required to contribute a local share of eligible expenditures [~~that would not have been incurred absent the provisions of a chapter of the laws of two thousand seventeen that added this section unless the most recent budget adopted by a county that is subject to the provisions of section three-c of the general municipal law exceeded the tax levy limit prescribed in such section or the local government is not subject to the provisions of section three-c of the general municipal law; provided, however, that the state budget director shall be authorized to waive any local share of expenditures associated with a chapter of the laws of two thousand seventeen that increased the age of juvenile jurisdiction above fifteen years of age, upon a showing of financial hardship by a county or the city of New York upon application in the form and manner prescribed by the division of the budget. In evaluating an application for a financial hardship waiver, the budget director shall consider the incremental cost to the locality related to increasing the age of juvenile jurisdiction, changes in state or federal aid payments, and other extraordinary costs, including the occurrence of a disaster as defined in paragraph a of subdivision two of section twenty of the executive law, repair and maintenance of infrastructure, annual growth in tax receipts, including personal income, business and other~~

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

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~~taxes, prepayment of debt service and other expenses, or such other factors that the director may determine~~] in order to receive funding associated with increasing the age of juvenile jurisdiction above fifteen years of age.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.