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Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN, DINOWITZ, DE LOS SANTOS, JENSEN --
Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. COOK -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to establishing
school-outreach domestic violence prevention programs

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 459-a of the social services law,
2 as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 5. "Non-residential program for victims of domestic violence" means
5 any program operated by a not-for-profit organization, for the purpose
6 of providing non-residential services to victims of domestic violence,
7 including, but not limited to, information and referral services, advo-
8 cacy, counseling, and community education and outreach activities and
9 providing or arranging for hotline services. Victims of domestic
10 violence and their children, if any, shall constitute at least seventy
11 percent of the clientele of such programs; provided that clientele in a
12 school-outreach domestic violence prevention program shall be disre-
13 garded in making this calculation.

14 § 2. Section 459-c of the social services law is amended by adding a
15 new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

16 3. (a) In accordance with the provisions of this subdivision and the
17 regulations of the office of children and family services, a social
18 services district shall purchase from a not-for-profit organization
19 operating a non-residential program for victims of domestic violence and
20 provide to students within public and private high school settings a
21 program of information and referral services, advocacy, counseling, and
22 education about domestic violence.

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

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1 (b) To the extent that funds are appropriated expressly therefor,
2 state reimbursement shall be available for one hundred percent of the
3 expenditures made by a social services district for programs provided
4 pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subdivision.

5 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
6 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
7 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
8 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made on or
9 before such effective date.