§ 23. Wage reporting system. 1. The department is authorized to provide information obtained from the wage reporting system as operated by the state department of taxation and finance:

(a) to social services districts:

(i) with respect to applicants for and recipients of public assistance and care or other benefits pursuant to this chapter for which such districts are responsible;

(ii) with respect to any person legally responsible for the support of such applicants and recipients;

(iii) with respect to any person legally responsible for the support of a recipient of services under section one hundred eleven-g of this chapter or to any agent of any entity that is under contract with the child support program pursuant to title six-A of article three of this chapter; and

(iv) with respect to the parents, the stepparents, the child and the siblings of the child who were living in the same household as a child who is in the custody, care and custody or custody and guardianship of a local social services district or of the office of children and family services during the month that the court proceedings leading to the child's removal from the household were initiated, or the written instrument transferring care and custody of the child pursuant to the provisions of section three hundred fifty-eight-a of this chapter or section three hundred eighty-four-a of this chapter was signed, provided however, that such social services district shall only use the information obtained pursuant to this subdivision for the purpose of determining the eligibility of such child for federal payments for foster care and adoption assistance pursuant to the provisions of title IV-E of the federal social security act,

(b) to a public agency responsible for the administration of public assistance and care in any geographically contiguous state with which the department has an agreement with respect to wage information pursuant to paragraph (h) of subdivision three of section twenty of this article,

* (c) to social services districts with respect to participants in employment or training programs authorized pursuant to this chapter who are current recipients of public assistance and care or who are former recipients of public assistance and care, (except that with regard to

former recipients, information which relates to a particular former recipient shall be provided with client identifying data deleted) for the purpose of evaluating the effect of participation in such programs on such current and former recipients, and

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* (c) to the federal parent locator service, maintained by the federal department of health and human services, as required by section one hundred twenty-four of the federal family support act of nineteen hundred eighty-eight, for the purpose of enabling the department to fulfill obligations and responsibilities otherwise incumbent upon the state department of labor.

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(d) to the federal social security administration or public agency of another state with which the department has an agreement with respect to wage information pursuant to paragraph (i) of subdivision three of section twenty of this article.

2. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the department, upon request by the office of welfare inspector general, shall provide said office with such information it receives from the wage reporting system operated by the department of taxation and finance that the office of welfare inspector general deems necessary to carry out its functions and duties under article four of the executive law.

3. Information obtained by the office of temporary and disability assistance from the wage reporting system operated by the state department of taxation and finance shall be considered confidential and shall not be disclosed to persons or agencies other than those considered entitled to such information when such disclosure is necessary for the proper administration of programs of public assistance and care or for the proper administration of the child support program pursuant to title six-A of article three of this chapter, or of eligibility assessments of children for federal payments for foster care and adoption assistance pursuant to the provisions of title IV-E of the federal social security act. For the purpose of this subdivision, any disclosure made pursuant to subdivision one of this section shall be considered necessary for the proper administration of programs of public

assistance and care, or of eligibility assessments of children for federal payments for foster care and adoption assistance pursuant to the provisions of title IV-E of the federal social security act; and the federal parent locator service shall be considered an agency entitled to such information as is necessary for the proper administration of the child support program pursuant to title six-A of article three of this chapter.