

NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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LOCAL COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM

Transmittal No: 92 LCM-107

Date: July 14, 1992

Division: Income Maintenance

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendment to the 1991-92 HEAP State Plan

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A: Copy of Public Notice - available on-line
Attachment B: Registration Form - available on-line
Attachment C: Proposed Amendment to the 1991-92 HEAP State Plan - available on-line

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise you that the New York State Department of Social Services will conduct a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the 1991-92 New York State Plan for the Home Energy Assistance Program.

The hearing will take place on July 29, 1992 at 488 Broadway, 4th Floor Conference Room, Albany, NY 12207, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. An informational notice will appear in newspapers statewide on July 14, 1992.

Copies of the public notice, the registration form and the proposed amendment are enclosed.

We encourage you to comment on the proposed amendment. Written comments will be accepted through August 4, 1992.

If you have any questions regarding the hearing or proposed amendments, you may contact the Bureau of Energy Programs at 1-800-342-4100, extension 4-9321.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Oscar R. Best, Jr." The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Oscar R. Best, Jr.
Deputy Commissioner
Division of Income Maintenance

PUBLIC NOTICE

**1991-92 Home Energy Assistance Program
Proposed Amendment**

**Public Hearing Scheduled
Amendment Available for Review**

In accordance with the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, the State of New York publishes a notice of intent to amend the 1991-92 New York State Plan for Low-Income Home Energy Assistance.

REVIEWING OR OBTAINING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE PLAN: The proposed amendment will be available for inspection at local Department of Social Services offices. Copies of the proposed amendment may be requested by calling, toll-free, 1-800-342-3715, extension 4-9321 or by writing to the Bureau of Energy Programs, New York State Department of Social Services, 40 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12243.

PUBLIC HEARING: A Public Hearing on the proposed amendment will be conducted on:

- o Wednesday, July 29, 1992 from 10 A.M. to 12 P.M., 488 Broadway, 4th Floor Conference Room, Albany, New York 12207.

Individuals/organizations wishing to present their views at this hearing should register by calling 1-800-342-3715, extension 4-9321. Persons who have pre-registered will be called upon to speak first. Others will be called in the order in which they register.

Statements should be limited to the proposed amendment only. Testimony is limited to five minutes. Speakers must submit three (3) written copies of their statements.

There will be no photocopying facilities available at the hearing.

WRITTEN COMMENTS: Written comments on the proposed amendment will be accepted no later than August 4, 1992 and should be addressed to: John C. Fredericks, Director, Bureau of Energy Programs, New York State Department of Social Services, 40 N. Pearl Street, Albany, NY 12243. Written comments received by the Department will be available for public inspection.

New York State Department of Social Services

**PUBLIC HEARING
TO
PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC INPUT ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO
THE NEW YORK STATE PLAN
FOR THE 1991-92 HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP)**

July 29, 1992
488 Broadway
4th Floor Conference Room
Albany, New York 12207

10 A.M. to 12 P.M.

Persons wishing to present their views at this hearing are requested to complete this reply form as soon as possible and mail to:

**MR. JOHN C. FREDERICKS, DIRECTOR
ENERGY BUREAU
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
40 NORTH PEARL STREET, 7TH FLOOR, SECTION D
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12243**

**TELEPHONE: 1-800-342-3715
Extension 4-9321
or
518-474-9321**

To assure your pre-registration, please respond three days prior to the scheduled hearing date, or call the Bureau of Energy Programs at the above number if you have any questions.

I plan to make a public statement at the hearing. I will limit my statement to a maximum of five minutes and I will provide three copies of my prepared statement.

NOTE: There will not be any photocopying facilities available at the hearing.

STATEMENTS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE NEW YORK STATE PLAN FOR THE 1991-92 HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP) ONLY.

NAME _____
TELEPHONE _____
TITLE _____
AFFILIATION _____
ADDRESS _____

Amendment of the 1991-92 (FFY 1992)
New York State Plan
for the
Low Income Home Energy
Assistance Program

In accordance with the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (Title XXVI of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) as reauthorized and amended by Title VII of the Augustus F. Hawkins Human Services Reauthorization Act of 1990 (Public Law 98-558), New York State hereby submits an amendment to the previously submitted New York State Plan for the 1991-92 (FFY 1992) Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

New York State (NYS) requests that page 6 be amended and page 6A added to reflect that New York State reserves the option to transfer up to 10% of its FY 1992 LIHEAP allocation to support the activities covered by Title XX of the Social Security Act if sufficient funds are available prior to September 30, 1992.

FFY 1992

GRANTEE: New York State Dept. of Social Services

statutory
references2605(a)
2605(b) (1)

The grantee will operate the following components under its LIHEAP Program:

(purpose
of funds) x

 x heating assistance
crisis assistance (specify type(s)
e.g., heating, cooling, year-round or
area-wide emergency declared by
Governor)

heat related, year-round

 x

cooling assistance
weatherization assistance

The projected dates for accepting applications and closing the programs are as follows:

heating 11/15/91 / 3/31/92* cooling _____ / _____

crisis 11/15/91 / 3/31/92* wx * 11/15/91 / 9/30/92
weatherization

NOTE:

If NYS determines that there are sufficient program and administrative funds the heating and/or crisis components may be operated beyond 3/31/92. If funds are exhausted prior to 3/31/92, program shut-down may occur earlier.

2605(c) (1) (C)

The grantee estimates that the amount of available LIHEAP funds will be used as follows:

2605(c) (1) (F)

 % heating assistance or \$ 98.363 M % cooling assistance or \$ - % crisis assistance or \$ 16.0 M % weatherization assistance or \$ 7.0 M % block grant transfer(s) or \$ * See NOTE on page 6A % carryover or \$ -

Any 1991-92 HEAP funds which are not obligated by 9/30/92 will be carried forward into the next program year.

 10 % administrative costs or \$ 12.707 M

NOTE:

The above estimates assume a base federal allocation (FFY '92) of \$1 Billion. Attachment IV outlines NYS's 1991-92 HEAP Funding Plan at progressively incremented federal funding levels.

NOTE: New York State reserves the option to transfer up to 10% of its FY 1992 LIHEAP Allocation to support activities covered by Title XX of the Social Security Act if sufficient funds are available prior to September 30, 1992.