

**DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE
OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE
40 NORTH PEARL STREET
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12243**

**DIGEST OF LAWS OF 2014
RELATING TO PROGRAMS OF THE
OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE**

NOTICE

The purpose of this digest is to highlight provisions of the Laws of 2014 and to direct interested persons to the appropriate provisions of the law. This Digest is neither designed nor intended to be exhaustive or to be used as a substitute for the law itself nor is it intended to be considered as the Office's interpretation of these laws for the purposes of implementation.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

<u>Laws of 2014</u> <u>Chapter No.</u>	<u>Page in</u> <u>this Digest</u>
 <u>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE</u>	
2 (Extends the Authority of the County of Ulster to Impose an Additional One Percent Sales and Compensating Use Tax)	4
385 (Requires the Court to Waive Any Mandatory Surcharge and Crime Victim Assistance Fee when it is Found that the Defendant is a Victim of Sex Trafficking)	4
421 (Relates to the Development of Financial Literacy Education)	4-5
428 (Establishes the Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund and Authorizes Gifts to Such Fund Through a State Income Tax Check-Off)	5
506 (Provides for Notice of Availability of Services to Prisoners Upon Their Releases from State Prisons)	5
 <u>CHILD SUPPORT</u>	
373 (Relates to Applications to Modify Orders of Child Support in the Family Court)	6
466 (Relates to the Combined Parental Income Amount to be Utilized in Calculating Orders of Child Support in Supreme and Family Courts)	6

Laws of 2014
Chapter No.

Page in
this Digest

HOUSING

64 (Extends Certain Provisions Relating to the Establishment of Initial Rents in Housing Accommodations Rehabilitated with Loans to Housing Development Companies) 6-7

65 (Extends Certain Provisions Relating to Buildings that are Parts of Urban Development Action Area Projects and are Rehabilitated with Municipal Loans) 7

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Chapter 2 – Extends the Authority of the County of Ulster to Impose an Additional One Percent Sales and Compensating Use Tax

[S. 6296/A. 7949-B]

Amends the Tax Law and Chapter 200 of the Laws of 2002, in relation to allowing Ulster County to begin imposing an additional one percent rate of sales and compensating use tax beginning January 1, 2015 until November 30, 2015 if the Ulster County Legislature certifies to the Commissioner of the Department of Taxation and Finance that the County of Ulster will be responsible for the full local share of the Safety Net Assistance Program.

Statutes involved:

Tax Law § 1210 (i)(7), amended

Chapter 200 of the Laws of 2002, § 3, amended

Effective date: January 23, 2014.

Chapter 385 – Requires the Court to Waive Any Mandatory Surcharge and Crime Victim Assistance Fee when it is Found that the Defendant is a Victim of Sex Trafficking

[S. 6803/A. 8812]

Amends the Criminal Procedure Law in relation to waiving certain fees for victims of sex trafficking or victims of trafficking in persons.

Statutes involved:

Criminal Procedure Law § 420.35 (2), amended

Effective date: September 23, 2014, and applies to convictions on or after such effective date as well as to charges for such offenses pending on such effective date for which sentence had not yet been imposed.

Chapter 421 – Relates to the Development of Financial Literacy Education

[S. 7344-D/A. 9199-F]

Amends the Financial Services Law in relation to developing a financial literacy program for participants in the Summer Youth Employment Program.

Statutes involved:

Financial Services Law § 311, added

Effective date: July 1, 2016.

Chapter 428 – Establishes the Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund and Authorizes Gifts to Such Fund Through a State Income Tax Check-Off

[S. 4760-A/A. 7430-A]

Amends the State Finance Law and the Tax Law in relation to Establishing the Homeless Veterans Assistance Fund and authorizes gifts to such fund through a State income tax check-off.

Statutes involved:

State Finance Law § 99-v, added

Tax Law § 627-b, added

Effective date: November 7, 2014, and applies to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015.

Chapter 506 – Provides for Notice of Availability of Services to Prisoners Upon Their Releases from State Prisons

[S. 1353/A. 231]

Amends the Correction Law in relation to requiring that all inmates scheduled to be released from correctional facilities be informed, prior to their release, by the Commissioner of Corrections and Community Supervision (Commissioner), of medical and mental health services, HIV/AIDS services, educational, vocational and employment services, alcohol or substance abuse treatment, and housing services, and requiring the Commissioner to consult with the Commissioner of the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, among other commissioners, in the implementation of notice of transitional services for inmates released from correctional facilities.

Statutes involved:

Correction Law § 76, added

Effective date: April 16, 2015.

CHILD SUPPORT

Chapter 373 – Relates to Applications to Modify Orders of Child Support in the Family Court

[S. 7535/A. 9464]

Amends the Family Court Act in relation to eliminating the previous requirement that any petition for modification of a child support order be accompanied by an affidavit establishing an evidentiary basis for the relief requested, and instead, requires that the petition itself shall allege facts sufficient to meet one or more of the grounds previously enumerated in the Family Court Act.

Statutes involved:

Family Court Act § 451, amended

Effective date: December 22, 2014.

Chapter 466 – Relates to the Combined Parental Income Amount to be Utilized in Calculating Orders of Child Support in Supreme and Family Courts

[S. 6784-A/A. 9764]

Amends the Social Services Law to provide technical clarification in relation to the biennial calculation of the combined parental income amount, a fundamental benchmark to be utilized in calculating orders of child support in Supreme and Family Courts.

Statutes involved:

Social Services Law § 111-i (2)(b), amended

Effective date: February 19, 2015.

HOUSING

Chapter 64 – Extends Certain Provisions Relating to the Establishment of Initial Rents in Housing Accommodations Rehabilitated with Loans to Housing Development Companies

[S. 7065/A. 9363]

Extends provisions of Chapter 84 of the Laws of 1993, relating to the establishment of initial rents in housing accommodations rehabilitated with loans to housing development companies, until June 30, 2018.

Statutes involved:

Chapter 84 of the Laws of 1993, § 2, amended

Effective date: June 30, 2014.

**Chapter 65 – Extends Certain Provisions Relating to Buildings that are Parts of
Urban Development Action Area Projects and are
Rehabilitated with Municipal Loans**

[S. 7021/A. 9364]

Extends provisions of Chapter 613 of the Laws of 1996 in relation to granting the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development the ability to establish the initial rent for residential property rehabilitated or constructed with municipal loans for an additional four years, until June 30, 2018.

Statutes involved:

Chapter 613 of the Laws of 1996, § 2, amended

Effective date: June 30, 2014.