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Date: July 2, 1997

Division: Temporary Assistance

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Agency-Based Voter Registration (Motor Voter) Training Program

ATTACHMENTS: New York State Board of Elections Training Announcement
(not available on-line)

The purpose of this release is to provide you with a copy of the New York State Board of Elections Agency-Based Voter Registration Training Program Registration Form for training that will be offered during August 1997. This is a duplicate of the registration form sent to your Voter Registration Site Coordinator.

This training is important in order for New York State to remain in compliance with the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA). Under New York State's Election Law, which implements NVRA, local social services districts are designated as participating voter registration agencies and, as such, must offer applicants for and recipients of public assistance programs the same degree of assistance and opportunity to register to vote as is offered regarding public assistance programs.

We have taken this opportunity to notify you in order to assure that all local social services district staff who take applications or recertifications for Public Assistance, Medical Assistance, Food Stamps, HEAP, and Day Care or other services have received voter registration training or that district representatives who train staff have received this training.

Your staff may complete the attached registration form and submit it directly to the State Board of Elections at the address listed on the registration form.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Schaffer at 518-474-9346.

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