

2003-04 Executive Budget
30-DAY AMENDMENTS

**Amendments to Senate 1407, Assembly 2107
(Education, Labor and Family Assistance, Article VII Bill)**

Part I, relating to the transfer of rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities to the Department of Labor (DOL) and the State Office for the Aging (SOFA), is amended to:

- Identify DOL, rather than SOFA, as the "Designated State Agency" for the receipt of Federal non-vocational rehabilitation funding. This amendment is necessary to conform with a Federal regulatory determination that only one State agency can administer Federal non-vocational rehabilitation services funding. In practice, DOL will enter into a memorandum of understanding with SOFA that will govern use of this Federal funding for services to blind and visually handicapped individuals age 55 and over.

Part J, relating to the transfer of functions of the council on children and families, is amended to:

- Clarify the operation of the council within the office of children and family services.

Part Q, relating to the transfer of functions of the welfare inspector general, is amended to:

- More specifically delineate the programs and agencies that may be investigated by the welfare inspector general;
- Clarify that the welfare inspector general will continue to exercise its current powers and duties; and
- Authorize the welfare inspector general to appoint his staff, in consultation with the Commissioner of the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance.