§ 4. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, no court shall effectuate this act.

§ 5. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 99-hh to article 99 of the executive law, which reads as follows:

§ 99-hh. COVID-19 Rental assistance fund. 1. There is hereby established a special fund to be known as the "COVID-19 Rental assistance fund" which shall consist of all moneys provided by the federal government, the state, or any political subdivision of the state, the United Nations, any international organization or agency, or any other source to the state, including, but not limited to, moneys provided under section 99-hc of this law. No moneys paid to the state or any political subdivision of the state, the United Nations, any international organization or agency, or any other source shall be transferred to any other fund or source pursuant to law. Nothing in this section shall prevent the state from soliciting and receiving moneys from any other source that may be used to pay rent, received since the amount of the tenant's actual income is in dispute, the court may raise a payment made pursuant to this act as a defense to non-payment.

§ 6. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after March 7, 2020.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.