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2011-2012 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

March 29, 2011

- Introduced by Sen. YOUNG -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation
- AN ACT to establish a study committee on the housing aspect of tourism in the state of New York; and to amend chapter 225 of the laws of 2010, amending the multiple dwelling law and the administrative code of the city of New York relating to clarifying certain provisions relating to occupancy of class A multiple dwellings, in relation to postponing the effective date thereof

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The legislature finds and declares that tourism, including tourism in the city of New York, is a vital and important part of the 2 3 economy of the state of New York creating thousand of jobs and producing 4 needed tax revenues both in sales tax receipts, occupancy taxes and 5 income tax revenue. It further finds and declares that an important part the tourism industry in the city of New York have been rooms and 6 of 7 affordable housing accommodations made available in mixed use buildings 8 serving as an alternative to higher end, more expensive hotels which 9 some tourists, such as students, simply cannot afford. Furthermore, the legislature also finds and declares that unless alternative, affordable 10 rooms and affordable housing accommodations remain available, 11 tourism 12 will decline, jobs will be lost and the state during a perilous fiscal 13 condition will lose revenue and jobs. The legislature finds and declares that it is important to avoid any change in the current choice of accom-14 15 modations available to visitors of our state until there is a thorough economic impact study undertaken regarding the role of affordable tour-16 ism units and the negative effect that the elimination of these units 17 18 could have on the economy of the state of New York and the city of New 19 York.

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

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S 2. There is hereby established a study committee on the housing 1 2 aspect of the tourism industry in the state of New York. Such committee 3 shall consist of 11 members, who shall serve without compensation. One 4 member shall be the chair of the senate committee on cultural affairs, 5 tourism, parks and recreation or his or her designee. One member shall 6 be the chair of the assembly committee on tourism, parks, arts and 7 sports development or his or her designee. Two members shall be 8 appointed by the temporary president of the senate at least one of whom 9 shall have substantial experience in the tourism industry or be a repre-10 sentative of a tourism related organization. Two members shall be 11 appointed by the speaker of the assembly at least one of whom shall have substantial experience in the tourism industry or be a representative of 12 13 a tourism related organization. One member shall be appointed by the 14 minority leader of the senate. One member shall be appointed by the minority leader of the assembly. Two members shall be appointed by the 15 16 governor. The commissioner of economic development or his or her designee shall serve on the committee and act as the chair of the committee. 17

The committee shall issue a report to the governor, the speaker of the assembly, the temporary president of the senate, the minority leader of the assembly and the minority leader of the senate no later than October 1, 2012 on the role that affordable rooms and affordable housing accommodations play in the tourism industry in the state of New York, and the potential economic impact that could result from the elimination or substantial elimination of consumer choices in the market place.

The department of economic development shall make its staff and resources available to the committee to compile the report as well as the staff of the division of the budget. Legislative staff may also assist in this effort to the extent as determined by the legislative leaders.

30 S 3. Section 8 of chapter 225 of the laws of 2010 amending the multi-31 ple dwelling law and the administrative code of the city of New York 32 relating to clarifying certain provisions relating to occupancy of class 33 A multiple dwellings, as amended by chapter 566 of the laws of 2010, is 34 amended to read as follows:

35 S 8. This act shall take effect [May 1, 2011] NOVEMBER 30, 2012 and shall apply to all buildings in existence on such effective date and to 36 37 buildings constructed after such effective date except that prior to 38 such effective date an agency with the duty to enforce the provisions of 39 the multiple dwelling law may promulgate rules and regulations or take 40 other administrative actions to provide for the registration of dwelling units in accordance with the provisions of subdivision 16 of section 67 41 and title 3 of article  $4^{\circ}$  of the multiple dwelling law, as added by sections two and three of this act, respectively. 42 43 44 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.