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Introduced by Sens. McDONALD, GRISANTI -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities -- recommitted to the Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to direct the commissioner of the office for people with developmental disabilities to study and report upon the cost to the state for the early diagnosis and long-term treatment of autism spectrum disorder

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

1 Section 1. The commissioner of the office for people with develop-
2 mental disabilities, the commissioner of education, the commissioner of
3 health, the commissioner of the office of children and family services
4 and the commissioner of mental health shall cause a study to be
5 performed on the costs to the state for the early diagnosis of autism
6 spectrum disorder and the long-term treatment of individuals with autism
7 spectrum disorder. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, a
8 projected estimate of future cost to the state associated with state
9 services that will be needed to accommodate the growth in the number of
10 individuals being diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

11 S 2. On or before April 1, 2014, the commissioner of the office for
12 people with developmental disabilities, the commissioner of education,
13 the commissioner of health, the commissioner of the office of children
14 and family services and the commissioner of mental health shall deliver
15 a copy of the findings of the study conducted pursuant to section one of
16 this act and any legislative recommendations he or she deems to be
17 necessary to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the
18 speaker of the assembly, the chair of the mental health and develop-

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

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1 mental disabilities committee of the senate, and the chair of the mental
2 health committee of the assembly.
3 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.