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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. VALESKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Aging

AN ACT to amend the elder law, in relation to the senior center assessment required of the state office for the aging

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

- Section 1. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subdivision 2 of section 213 of the elder law are amended and a new paragraph (d) is added to read as follows:
 - (b) Assess the effectiveness of the community services for aging program pursuant to section two hundred fourteen of this title in coordinating and improving the local delivery of services to the elderly; [and]
- 8 (c) Include recommendation for expanding or replicating service 9 programs that have been determined effective in helping needy elderly 10 remain in the community and to avoid institutional care[.]; AND
- 11 (D) ASSESS THE CONDITION OF THE SENIOR CENTER NETWORK ACROSS THE STATE 12 AND INCLUDE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAYS TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN THAT 13 NETWORK.
- 14 S 2. Subdivision 3 of section 213 of the elder law is amended by 15 adding a new paragraph (k) to read as follows:
- 16 (K) A REPORT ON THE EFFECT ON QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OLDER ADULTS WHO 17 ATTEND A SENIOR CENTER IN THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITY AS COMPARED TO THOSE WHO 18 DO NOT ATTEND A SENIOR CENTER, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE DISTANCE OLDER 19 ADULTS MUST TRAVEL TO REACH A CENTER.
- 20 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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