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AN ACT to amend the elder law, in relation to authorizing certain county  
operated NY Connects: Choices for Long Term Care programs to partic-  
ipate in a uniform assessment demonstration program

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

1     Section 1. Section 203 of the elder law is amended by adding a new  
2     subdivision 11 to read as follows:  
3     11. THE DIRECTOR, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH,  
4     SHALL ESTABLISH A UNIFORM ASSESSMENT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM. THE PURPOSE  
5     OF THIS INITIATIVE IS TO DETERMINE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE UNIFORM  
6     ASSESSMENT PROGRAM FUNDED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER FIFTY-THREE OF THE LAWS OF  
7     TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN. THE DIRECTOR SHALL SELECT ONE OR MORE COUNTY OPER-  
8     ATED NY CONNECTS: CHOICES FOR LONG TERM CARE PROVIDERS TO PARTICIPATE  
9     BASED ON CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR. THE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM  
10    SHALL ASSESS WHETHER THE UNIFORM ASSESSMENT TOOL IS EFFECTIVE IN DETER-  
11    MINING THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF LONG TERM CARE FOR INDIVIDUALS IN NEED  
12    OF NON-MEDICAL HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES ADMINISTERED BY THE  
13    OFFICE, OR ANY OTHER PROGRAMS AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR. FUNDING  
14    SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE APPROPRIATION MADE FOR SERVICES AND  
15    EXPENSES, INCLUDING GRANTS, OF THE UNIFORM ASSESSMENT PROGRAM, FROM THE  
16    GENERAL FUND-LOCAL ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT TO THE OFFICE OF LONG TERM CARE  
17    WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PURSUANT TO CHAPTER FIFTY-THREE OF THE  
18    LAWS OF TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN, AND SHALL BE SUB-ALLOCATED BY THE DEPART-  
19    MENT OF HEALTH TO THE OFFICE TO SUPPORT THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEMON-  
20    STRATION PROGRAM.  
21    S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
22    have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or  
23    repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of  
24    this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be made  
25    and completed on or before such effective date.

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

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