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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the "state workforce fuel reduction and conservation act"

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

1     Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as  
2     the "state workforce fuel reduction and conservation act".

3     S 2. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 201-b to  
4     read as follows:

5     S 201-B. STATE WORKFORCE FUEL REDUCTION AND CONSERVATION ACT. 1.  
6     THERE SHALL BE CREATED WITHIN THE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES A STATE  
7     WORKFORCE FUEL REDUCTION AND CONSERVATION PROGRAM, WHICH SHALL HAVE THE  
8     PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING AND ASSISTING IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIES  
9     TO REDUCE GASOLINE CONSUMPTION BY THE STATE'S MOTOR VEHICULAR FLEET, AND  
10    TO REDUCE GASOLINE CONSUMPTION THROUGH SOLO MOTOR VEHICLE TRIPS BETWEEN  
11    HOME AND THE WORKPLACE BY STATE EMPLOYEES AND STATE CONTRACTORS.

12    2. THE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES, IN COORDINATION WITH THE GOVERNOR'S  
13    OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND THE OFFICE FOR TECHNOLOGY, SHALL ISSUE  
14    A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER  
15    FIFTEENTH, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, SETTING FORTH A SPECIFIC PLAN TO REDUCE  
16    THE NUMBER OF SOLO MOTOR VEHICLE TRIPS BETWEEN HOME AND THE WORKPLACE BY  
17    STATE EMPLOYEES AND STATE CONTRACTORS. SUCH PLAN SHALL INCLUDE, AT A  
18    MINIMUM, PROPOSALS TO PROMOTE THE USE OF TRANSPORTATION OTHER THAN VIA  
19    SINGLE OCCUPANCY VEHICLES BY STATE EMPLOYEES TO AND FROM THE WORKPLACE,  
20    AND WHILE AT THE WORKPLACE: PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, PROMOTION AND  
21    IMPLEMENTATION OF A SOLO TRIP REDUCTION PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE  
22    STATE EMPLOYEES AND STATE CONTRACTORS TO USE AN ALTERNATIVE MODE OF  
23    COMMUTING SUCH AS CAR OR VAN POOLS, MASS TRANSIT, BIKING OR WALKING;

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

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1 AUTHORIZING STATE AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES TO PERMIT ALTERNATIVE WORK  
2 SCHEDULES OR TELECOMMUTING FOR ALL STATE EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS WHERE  
3 DOING SO WOULD RESULT IN A REDUCTION IN HOME-WORKPLACE TRAVEL WITHOUT  
4 DECREASING EMPLOYEE EFFICIENCY; AND A PROPOSAL TO REIMBURSE STATE  
5 EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS FOR MASS TRANSIT COSTS WHERE DOING SO RESULTS  
6 IN A NET REDUCTION IN SOLO MOTOR VEHICLE TRIPS.

7 3. THE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL REVIEW THE SIZE OF THE STATE'S  
8 VEHICULAR FLEET, THE POLICIES GOVERNING THE USE OF SUCH FLEET AND THE  
9 ACTUAL USE OF SUCH FLEET, AND SHALL ISSUE TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGIS-  
10 LATURE ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER FIFTEENTH, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, A SPECIFIC  
11 PLAN TO REDUCE THE USE OF SUCH FLEET IN ORDER TO REDUCE GASOLINE  
12 CONSUMPTION.

13 S 3. Each state agency covered by section 201-b of the executive law,  
14 establishing a program to increase the average passenger occupancy per  
15 vehicle in commuting trips between home and the workplace, shall report  
16 to the office of general services on the status of such program within  
17 one hundred eighty days of the effective date of this act, and on the  
18 fifteenth day of January in each year thereafter.

19 S 4. Each state agency that maintains its own vehicular fleet shall  
20 perform a fuel efficiency audit of such fleet and shall provide such  
21 audit to the office of general services within one hundred eighty days  
22 of the effective date of this act.

23 S 5. The department of motor vehicles shall develop programs to  
24 educate the driving public on "smart driving," trip reduction and vehi-  
25 cle maintenance practices that are designed to maximize vehicle fuel  
26 efficiency. The department shall issue a report to the governor and the  
27 legislature on or before November 15, 2016 on the status of such  
28 program.

29 S 6. Nothing in this act shall impair any agreements which may be made  
30 as a result of collective bargaining or other negotiations between the  
31 state and its affected employee organizations.

32 S 7. This act shall take effect immediately.