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Introduced by M. of A. CURRAN, FINCH, RAIA -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. GIGLIO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to an after-school challenge program

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 319 to  
2 read as follows:

3 § 319. After-school challenge program. 1. There is hereby established  
4 under the jurisdiction of the commissioner an after-school challenge  
5 program to provide schools with matching funds for resources raised in  
6 private donations to support after-school programs. Each district shall  
7 be eligible to receive a maximum of fifty thousand dollars annually in  
8 matching funds from the state beginning with the two thousand seventeen  
9 -- two thousand eighteen school year. Programs under this section shall  
10 provide affordable, low-cost after-school care for students in grades  
11 one through eight that run after school until at least six o'clock p.m.  
12 Priority in awarding grants shall be given to curriculum based education  
13 programs or community service programs. The commissioner shall establish  
14 additional criteria for the awarding of challenge grants provided for in  
15 this section.

16 2. The matching contributions raised by a school district must be from  
17 sources other than state appropriations or federal funds. Matching  
18 contributions shall come from contributions, pledged for the purposes  
19 specified in this section or unpledged, and accrued investment earnings  
20 thereon, made after January first, two thousand eighteen. Donations may  
21 be financial or in-kind contributions received from individuals and  
22 businesses throughout the community. Once the necessary level of match-  
23 ing contributions has been raised, the district shall provide verifica-  
24 tion to the commissioner that the required level of contributions has

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

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1 been received and is being held to be used solely for the purpose of  
2 supporting after-school programs.

3 3. The commissioner shall report on the success of the program on or  
4 before July first, two thousand twenty.

5 § 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018. The commissioner of  
6 education is authorized and directed to promulgate any rules or regu-  
7 lations necessary for the implementation of this act on or before such  
8 effective date.