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Introduced by M. of A. FAHY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Banks

AN ACT to direct the department of financial services to conduct a study on underbanked communities and households in New York state and to make recommendations to improve access to financial services

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

1 Section 1. The superintendent of financial services is hereby author-2 ized and directed to prepare or have prepared a study of underbanked 3 communities and households in New York state and to provide recommenda-4 tions to make financial services accessible to such communities and 5 households. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, an analy-6 sis of the location and demographics of underbanked communities and 7 households in New York state and the causes of underbanked communities 8 and households in New York state.

9 § 2. Such study and recommendations shall be completed and provided to 10 the governor and the legislature within twelve months of the effective 11 date of this act.

12 § 3. As used in this act the term "underbanked" shall mean having 13 insufficient access to financial institutions for the purpose of banking 14 and investment services.

15 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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