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Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. GOTTFRIED, McDONOUGH -- read once and
referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to direct the commissioner of health to report upon the high
incidence of asthma in the state

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

1 Section 1. (a) Within 90 days of the effective date of this act, the
2 commissioner of health shall commence to examine and evaluate the alarm-
3 ingly high and disproportionate incidence of asthma in the state. Such
4 commissioner shall specifically study and evaluate the following factors
5 related to those persons who have asthma:
6 (i) income level;
7 (ii) race;
8 (iii) gender;
9 (iv) age group;
10 (v) housing accommodations: single family dwelling, two to six family
11 dwelling or housing project;
12 (vi) residence proximity to industrial sites;
13 (vii) residence proximity to highways; and
14 (viii) type of health insurance providing coverage to the person with
15 asthma (private, Medicaid, child health insurance plan or family health
16 plus).
17 (b) Within one year of the effective date of this act, such commis-
18 sioner shall report to the governor and the legislature, his or her
19 findings and any recommendations he or she shall deem necessary.
20 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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