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Introduced by Sen. VALESKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the education law and the state finance law, in relation to increasing the transparency of the local impact of state policy-making

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 207-b  
2     to read as follows:  
3     S 207-B. REGULATORY PROCESS. THE REGENTS SHALL PRESCRIBE BY RULE A  
4     FORMAL PROCESS BY WHICH THE INPUT OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE STATE SHALL  
5     BE SOUGHT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMISSIONER'S REGULATIONS. SUCH  
6     INPUT SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO AN ESTIMATE OF THE COST TO  
7     SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF ANY NEW PROGRAM, PROJECT OR ACTIVITY THAT WILL BE  
8     MANDATED BY ANY SUCH REGULATION AND SHALL BE INCORPORATED INTO ANY REGU-  
9     LATORY IMPACT STATEMENT DEVELOPED IN RELATION TO SUCH REGULATION.  
10    S 2. Section 8 of the state finance law is amended by adding a new  
11    subdivision 21 to read as follows:  
12    21. PREPARE AND PUBLISH, NO LATER THAN OCTOBER FIFTEENTH IN EACH YEAR,  
13    A REPORT AGGREGATING THE INFORMATION FROM FISCAL NOTES THAT ACCOMPANIED  
14    ANY BILL THAT BECAME A LAW PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE OR DECREASE IN  
15    REVENUES OR MANDATING THE APPROPRIATION OR EXPENDITURE OF MONEYS IN ANY  
16    POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND FROM REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENTS OF RULES  
17    PROMULGATED BY THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DURING THE PRECEDING YEAR,  
18    IN ORDER TO CALCULATE THE CUMULATIVE COST TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OF  
19    COMPLYING WITH NEW STATE MANDATES. A COPY OF SUCH REPORT SHALL BE FILED  
20    WITH THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND THE ASSEMBLY WAYS AND MEANS  
21    COMMITTEE AND COPIES SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO ANY STATE AGENCY UPON  
22    REQUEST.  
23    S 3. 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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