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2011-2012 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the elder law, in relation to requiring the state office for the aging to review programs addressing the needs of the aging veteran population

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

Section 1. Subdivisions 13 and 14 of section 202 of the elder law, subdivision 13 as amended and subdivision 14 as added by section 24-d of part B of chapter 58 of the laws of 2007 and paragraph (a) of subdivision 14 as amended by chapter 319 of the laws of 2010, are amended and a new subdivision 15 is added to read as follows:

- 13. to conduct a program of education and information on age discrimination and the preparation and filing of complaints relating to persons sixty years of age or older; [and]
 - 14. to, in cooperation with the department of state:

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- (a) prepare or cause to be prepared and made available to cities, towns and villages model zoning and planning guidelines that foster age-integrated communities including provisions to allow for accessory senior citizen units in areas zoned for single family residences and for mixed-use development accommodating senior citizen residential housing; and
- (b) make recommendations, in consultation with the division of housing and community renewal, to the governor and legislature for assisting mixed-use age-integrated housing development or redevelopment demonstration projects in urban, suburban and rural areas of the state. The director of the office for the aging and secretary of state shall establish an advisory committee for purposes of this subdivision. Such committee shall include, but not be limited to, top representatives of local government, senior citizen organizations, developers, senior service providers and planners[.]; AND

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

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 $15.\ ext{TO}$ PERIODICALLY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE DIRECTOR OF VETER- 2 AN'S AFFAIRS, REVIEW THE PROGRAMS OPERATED BY THE OFFICE TO ENSURE THAT

- THE NEEDS OF THE STATE'S AGING VETERAN POPULATION ARE BEING MET AND TO
- 4 DEVELOP IMPROVEMENTS TO PROGRAMS TO MEET SUCH NEEDS.
- 5 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.