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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to reduction in the staff of the office of children and family services and the closure of facilities of such office

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

1     Section 1. Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subdivision 15 of section 501 of  
2     the executive law, as amended by section 1 of part H of chapter 58 of  
3     the laws of 2006, are amended and a new paragraph (e) is added to read  
4     as follows:  
5     (c) CONSULT WITH AND provide for a mechanism which may reasonably be  
6     expected to provide notice to local governments, community organiza-  
7     tions, employee labor organizations, managerial and confidential employ-  
8     ees, consumer and advocacy groups of the potential for significant  
9     service reductions, public employee staffing reductions and/or the  
10    transfer of operations to a private or not-for-profit entity at such  
11    state-operated facilities, at least twelve months prior to commencing  
12    such service reduction; [and]  
13    (d) consult with the office of general services and any other appro-  
14    priate state agency in developing a mechanism for determining alterna-  
15    tive uses for land and buildings to be vacated by the office of children  
16    and family services. Such a mechanism should include a review of other  
17    programs or state agencies that could feasibly expand their operations  
18    onto a state-operated campus and are compatible with health, safety and  
19    programmatic needs of persons served in such facilities[.]; AND  
20    (E) AT THE TIME THE NOTICE OF CLOSURE OF A FACILITY IS PROVIDED IN  
21    ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (C) OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE COMMISSIONER  
22    SHALL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND

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

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1 THE PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, THE DIRECTOR OF THE  
2 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
3 OF THE CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE IN WHICH THE FACILITY SLATED FOR CLOSURE IS  
4 LOCATED, PROVIDE A REPORT FOR AN ADAPTIVE REUSE PLAN FOR SUCH FACILITY  
5 WHICH WILL EVALUATE THE COMMUNITY IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED CLOSURE INCLUD-  
6 ING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING FACTORS: THE POTENTIAL TO UTILIZE  
7 THE PROPERTY FOR ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT PURPOSE, INCLUDING FOR A NEW  
8 PURPOSE AS PART OF THE STATE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM; POTENTIAL FOR THE  
9 SALE OR TRANSFER OF THE PROPERTY TO A LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER GOVERN-  
10 MENTAL ENTITY; POTENTIAL FOR THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY TO A PRIVATE  
11 ENTITY FOR DEVELOPMENT INTO A BUSINESS, RESIDENTIAL OR OTHER PURPOSE;  
12 COMMUNITY INPUT FOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT; AND THE CONDITION OF THE FACILITY  
13 AND THE INVESTMENTS REQUIRED TO KEEP THE STRUCTURE IN GOOD REPAIR, OR TO  
14 MAKE IT VIABLE FOR REUSE.

15 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.