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Introduced by M. of A. GJONAJ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Small Business

AN ACT to amend the economic development law, in relation to requiring the division for small business to compile an annual report on the state of small businesses

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

Section 1. Subdivision 12 of section 134 of the economic development law, as added by chapter 451 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

12. compile an annual report on the state of small businesses, particularly those with twenty-five employees or less which shall be known as micro-businesses under this subdivision. The commissioner shall, on or before [February] JUNE first, two thousand fourteen and annually thereafter, submit to the governor, the temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly a report that shall include, but not be limited to, the following information for each calendar year:

(a) the growth and economic trends of small businesses which may be categorized by various small business sizes and/or sectors;

(b) [the economic impact] AN ANALYSIS OF RELEVANT AND AVAILABLE EMPLOYMENT, STATISTICAL AND ECONOMIC DATA of the various small business sectors throughout New York state, which may be categorized by various small business sizes;

(c) suggestions to improve the efficiency of existing loan programs;

(d) suggestions to improve small business growth;

(e) statistical and economic analysis of the state of small businesses by various small business sizes and/or sectors; AND

(f) [an analysis] IDENTIFICATION AND REVIEW of the local and state REGULATIONS, fines and penalties [that] PARTICULAR TO small businesses [incur] which may be categorized by various small business sizes and/or sectors[; and

(g) an analysis of the impact of local and state regulations and laws that small businesses must adhere to, which may be categorized by various small business sizes and/or sectors].

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

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The division shall collaborate with other state and local agencies to develop the annual report. The office shall maintain and publish such information on the small business directory webpage in a manner that allows individuals to search the report by name, date, or type of statistics. The format of the annual report shall be developed in consultation with various small business owners to ensure the information collected, analyzed, and published for the purposes of this subdivision is representative of all small businesses in the state.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after the date chapter 451 of the laws of 2013 took effect.