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Introduced by M. of A. CANCEL -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Banks

AN ACT in relation to requiring a study and report on online lending  
products and platforms available to small businesses in New York  
state; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration  
thereof

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

1     Section 1. 1. The superintendent of financial services shall study and  
2     issue a report on online small business lending products and platforms  
3     that originate from lenders licensed by New York state or advertised to  
4     small businesses within New York state. Such study shall address, but  
5     not be limited to the following issues:  
6        (a) whether online lenders are offering credit at reasonable and tran-  
7     sparent interest rates and charging reasonable and transparent fees and  
8     payment terms;  
9        (b) whether lenders offer inclusive and non-discriminatory credit  
10    access and observe fair lending practices;  
11        (c) what type of underwriting is conducted before issuing credit;  
12        (d) whether lenders report loan repayment information to major credit  
13    bureaus and consult the borrower's credit data when underwriting a loan;  
14        (e) whether lenders are offering small businesses the opportunity for  
15    further financial and business planning and the opportunity to establish  
16    a more traditional, long-term banking access to credit; and  
17        (f) a review of any other products or practices the superintendent  
18    deems relevant to small business access to capital.  
19     2. Such report shall be made to the governor, the speaker of the  
20    assembly and the temporary president of the senate no later than January  
21    1, 2018.  
22     3. The superintendent of financial services may request, and is  
23    authorized to receive, any information from any state agencies that is  
24    relevant and material to the completion of this study and report. Such  
25    information shall be subject to the same requirements for confidentiali-

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

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1 ty and limitations of use, if any, as are applicable to such state agen-  
2 cy's use of such information.  
3 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be  
4 deemed repealed January 1, 2018.