AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to enacting the "New York city teleworking expansion act"
York city employees would also allow employees who use mass transit to work from home, thereby alleviating the current overcrowding in the region's mass transit systems. Such a program as established by this legislation would address the state's concern that the health, safety, economic vitality and mass transit operations of the downstate region be preserved and protected.

S 3. The administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 12-140 to read as follows:

S 12-140 TELEWORKING PROGRAMS. A. EACH AGENCY SHALL ESTABLISH A POLICY AND PROGRAM TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES TO PERFORM ALL OR A PORTION OF THEIR DUTIES THROUGH TELEWORKING TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE WITHOUT DIMINISHED EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE. EACH AGENCY SHALL DESIGNATE A "TELEWORK COORDINATOR" TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TELEWORKING PROGRAMS.

B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE TERM "TELEWORK" SHALL MEAN TO PERFORM NORMAL AND REGULAR WORK FUNCTIONS ON A WORKDAY THAT ORDINARILY WOULD BE PERFORMED AT THE AGENCY'S PRINCIPAL LOCATION AT A DIFFERENT LOCATION, THEREBY ELIMINATING OR SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCING THE PHYSICAL COMMUTE TO AND FROM SUCH AGENCY'S PRINCIPAL LOCATION.

S 4. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.