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Introduced by Sens. PARKER, AVELLA, DILAN, PERKINS, SAMPSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to establish a pilot program related to making the gluten content of food available at certain state owned, operated, or leased cafeterias; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
2 the commissioner of the office of general services shall identify four
3 state owned buildings, facilities, or complexes where food and beverages
4 are offered for sale to the general public or government employees in a
5 cafeteria setting which are operated or leased by the state, for inclu-
6 sion in a gluten content pilot program. One state owned building, facil-
7 ity, or complex for such pilot program shall be located in each of the
8 following cities: Albany, Buffalo, Syracuse, and New York City. The
9 commissioner shall ensure that the cafeterias contained within the iden-
10 tified buildings, facilities, or complexes have an employee available
11 during the hours of operation that can accurately identify upon request
12 whether a food or beverage item offered is gluten-free. For the purposes
13 of this section, the term "gluten-free" shall include food or beverage
14 that is consistent with the Food and Drug Administration's final rule to
15 define the term "gluten-free" for voluntary use in the labeling of food.
16 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
17 it shall have become a law, and shall expire and be deemed repealed
18 three years after such date.

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

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