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AN ACT establishing the nuclear power plant preparedness plans study

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

 1   Section 1. Nuclear power plant disaster preparedness plans study. 1.
 2 The Commissioner of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency
 3 Services, in consultation with the disaster preparedness commission and
 4 any other entity the Commissioner of the Division of Homeland Security
 5 and Emergency Services deems appropriate, shall study and review disas-
 6 ter preparedness plans as they relate to nuclear power plants for effec-
 7 tiveness. The study of such disaster preparedness plans shall include,
 8 but not be limited to, the following:
 9   (a) the time necessary to evacuate the area within a fifty mile radius
10 of the plant, in addition to any other determined radius, with consider-
11 ation of:
12   (i) the severity of the nuclear power plant disaster
13   (ii) the population residing in such area
14   (iii) existing transportation networks
15   (iv) any other considerations that are deemed relevant;
16   (b) the amount of area that should be evacuated with consideration of:
17   (i) the severity of the nuclear power plant disaster
18   (ii) the population residing in such area
19   (iii) existing transportation networks
20   (iv) any other considerations that are deemed relevant;
21   (c) the locations where people may be evacuated to in the event of a
22 disaster;

1   (d) the feasibility of evacuating areas near the power plant;
2   (e) the role of public safety and school personnel in safely returning
3 school children with their parents;
4   (f) the protection of food and water from contamination;
5   (g) the evacuation of people from hospitals and other institutions;
6   (h) the evacuation of individuals with special needs or those who
7 require special attention;
8   (i) the length of time that an area should be evacuated for;
9   (j) the opportunities where state and local agencies and the private
10 sector can coordinate and cooperate in a nuclear power plant disaster;
11   (k) the availability and distribution of potassium iodine to individ-
12 uals in areas affected by a nuclear power plant disaster;
13   (1) the use of technology in disaster preparedness;
14   (m) the overall effectiveness of the nuclear power plant disaster
15 preparedness plans; and
16   (n) the ability to communicate between relevant federal entities,
17 state and local entities and power plant operators and the general
18 public.
19   2. Such study shall be submitted to the governor, the temporary presi-
20 dent of the senate, and the speaker of the assembly by December 31, 2017
21 and shall be publicly posted on the Division of Homeland Security and
22 Emergency Services' website.
23   3. The Commissioner of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency
24 Services may request, and is authorized to receive, any information from
25 any state agencies that is relevant and material to the completion of
26 such study. Such information received by the Commissioner of the Divi-
27 sion of Homeland Security and Emergency Services shall be subject to the
28 same requirements for confidentiality and limitations on use, if any, as
29 are applicable to such state agency's use of such information.
30   4. The Commissioner of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency
31 Services is authorized to use existing Division of Homeland Security and
32 Emergency Services' funds to carry out the provisions of this section.
33   S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.