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AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to the performance of a study regarding homeless persons who are veterans in the state of New York

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 14 of the public housing law is  
2     amended by adding a new paragraph (q) to read as follows:  
3     (Q) TO CONDUCT A STUDY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY  
4     AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, AND OFFICE OF CHILDREN  
5     AND FAMILY SERVICES TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF HOMELESS PERSONS IN NEW  
6     YORK STATE THAT ARE VETERANS. SUCH STUDY SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE  
7     LIMITED TO: (I) AN ANALYSIS OF VETERANS IN NEW YORK STATE WHO ARE  
8     CURRENTLY HOMELESS, OR HAVE BEEN HOMELESS WITHIN FIVE YEARS OF BEING  
9     RELEASED FROM ACTIVE DUTY INCLUDING AN ANALYSIS OF GENDER AS IT RELATES  
10    TO HOMELESSNESS OF VETERANS; (II) DATA ON THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN OF  
11    HOMELESS VETERANS, INCLUDING THE CURRENT PLACEMENT OF SUCH CHILDREN;  
12    (III) CASES OF MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA EXPERIENCED BY HOMELESS VETERANS  
13    WHILE ON ACTIVE DUTY OR DURING MILITARY TRAINING, INCLUDING A BREAKDOWN  
14    OF THE COLLECTED DATA BASED UPON THE GENDER OF THE VICTIM; AND (IV) THE  
15    UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR NEW YORK STATE VETERANS. THE TERM "CHILDREN OF  
16    HOMELESS VETERANS" SHALL MEAN A PERSON WHO IS UNMARRIED AND WHO IS UNDER

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

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1 THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN YEARS, AND IS THE BIOLOGICAL OR LEGALLY ADOPTED  
2 CHILD OF A VETERAN. A WRITTEN REPORT OF SUCH STUDY SHALL BE DELIVERED TO  
3 THE GOVERNOR, THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY AND THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF  
4 THE SENATE BY JUNE THIRTIETH, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN AND SUCH INFORMA-  
5 TION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE UPDATED EVERY TWO  
6 YEARS. SUCH REPORT SHALL BE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AND POSTED ON THE DIVI-  
7 SION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS WEBSITE.

8 S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
9 have become a law.