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Introduced by Sen. VENDITTO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to require the New York state department of transportation, in consultation with the department of motor vehicles, the governor's traffic safety committee, local police agencies, local transportation entities in Nassau and Suffolk to conduct a study to evaluate the configuration of entrance and exit ramps, and signage at entrance ways and exits on the Southern State Parkway in Nassau and Suffolk counties to determine whether adequate safety measures exist to prevent collisions and the instance of wrong way drivers

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

1     Section 1. The department of transportation, in consultation with the  
2 department of motor vehicles, the governor's traffic safety committee,  
3 local police agencies, local transportation entities in Nassau and  
4 Suffolk counties, local government stakeholders, and any other agency or  
5 group the department of transportation deems necessary to enlist the aid  
6 of, shall conduct a study to evaluate the configuration of entrance and  
7 exit ramps, and signage at entrance ways and exits on the Southern State  
8 Parkway in Nassau and Suffolk counties to determine whether adequate  
9 safety measures exist to prevent collisions and the instances of wrong  
10 way drivers. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, design and  
11 safety of the configuration of entrance and exit ramps and the feasibility  
12 of implementing design changes to increase safety and reduce the  
13 likelihood of collisions and wrong way driving; and the design and level  
14 of safety of the signage located at entrance ways and exits and the  
15 feasibility of implementing signage design changes to increase driver  
16 visibility of such signage and reduce the likelihood of a collision and  
17 wrong way driving; and federal funding available for highway safety  
18 improvement projects. The department of transportation is authorized to  
19 conduct any hearings it deems necessary to accomplish the purposes of  
20 this act.

21     S 2. The commissioner of transportation shall issue a report to the  
22 governor, the Long Island Delegation of the Legislature, Nassau and

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

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1 Suffolk county executives, and Nassau and Suffolk county legislatures  
2 with detailed recommendations and findings within two years of the  
3 effective date of this act.  
4 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.