STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

April 10, 2018

Introduced by M. of A. VANEL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to establish a task force to study the effects of New York state opting out of daylight savings time

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. a. A task force, to be known as the task force on daylight savings time, is hereby established to study the effects of New York state opting out of daylight savings time. Such task force shall be comprised of appropriate state agency personnel and experts in the field of daylight savings time.

b. The task force shall be comprised of:

(i) two members appointed by the governor;

(ii) two members appointed by the temporary president of the senate;

(iii) two members appointed by the speaker of the assembly;

(iv) one member appointed by the minority leader of the senate; and

(v) one member appointed by the minority leader of the assembly.

c. The task force shall:

(i) examine and evaluate the potential health risks associated with daylight savings time, such as heart attack;

(ii) identify the potential effects of daylight savings on morning activities;

(iii) establish whether the act of changing clocks twice a year is economically and/or socially disruptive;

(iv) identify the potential effects of daylight savings time on traffic and crime;

(v) establish whether daylight savings time currently provides a benefit to this state; and

(vi) make recommendations on whether this state should opt out or continue to utilize daylight savings time.

d. Such task force shall submit a report, on or before April 1, 2019, to the governor and the legislature of its findings, conclusions and recommendations, and legislative and regulatory proposals deemed necessary to implement such recommendations.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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