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

AN ACT in relation to authorizing a study of the safety and condition of New York's water supplies and infrastructure

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

Section 1. The commissioner of health, in conjunction with the commissioner of the department of environmental conservation, shall examine, evaluate and make recommendations concerning the safety and condition of New York's water supplies and infrastructure. Such study shall include, but be not limited to, the following:

(a) the identification of technologies and partners to assist the state in providing long term, sustainable, and cost effective, automated monitoring of public water supply and private water cooling infrastructure for pathogens and selected contaminants on a statewide basis;

(b) identification of new or existing revenue sources to invest in statewide water handling infrastructure;

(c) identification of sustainable and affordable funding models to assist small public water systems in conducting water testing;

(d) recommendations for measures designed to spur private investment in water infrastructure;

(e) recommendations for a statewide system to assist with the regular assessment of the integrity and safety of municipal systems;

(f) recommendations for measures to spur municipal reinvestment in water infrastructure and safety measures on an ongoing and sustainable basis;

(g) any other such areas of study regarding water safety as the commissioners deem appropriate for study;

(h) measures municipalities may take to consolidate and share services in relation to water infrastructure;

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

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(i) development of a strategic statewide water safety plan which prioritizes infrastructure needs, maintenance, and expansion of existing systems.

§ 2. Within 12 months of the effective date of this act, the commissioners of health and environmental conservation shall submit a report to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the chair of the senate standing committee on health, the chair of the assembly standing committee on health, the chair of the senate standing committee on environmental conservation, and the chair of the assembly standing committee on environmental conservation, of the commissioner's findings, conclusions, and recommendations for implementation of their findings.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.