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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:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

23 (h) measures municipalities may take to consolidate and share services
24 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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1 (i) development of a strategic statewide water safety plan which
2 prioritizes infrastructure needs, maintenance, and expansion of existing
3 systems.

4 § 2. Within 12 months of the effective date of this act, the commis-
5 sioners of health and environmental conservation shall submit a report
6 to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of
7 the assembly, the chair of the senate standing committee on health, the
8 chair of the assembly standing committee on health, the chair of the
9 senate standing committee on environmental conservation, and the chair
10 of the assembly standing committee on environmental conservation, of the
11 commissioner's findings, conclusions, and recommendations for implemen-
12 tation of their findings.

13 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.