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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. LAVALLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing the community college funding study

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

1 Section 1. Section 6304 of the education law is amended by adding a
2 new subdivision 14 to read as follows:

3 14. Community college funding study. a. The state university trustees
4 and the city university trustees shall require each community college
5 president in each of their university systems to establish an internal
6 committee that shall be directed to study the effectiveness of the
7 current full time equivalent (FTE) funding formula and alternatives
8 based on funding by academic program that takes into account the specif-
9 ic mission, needs, geographic location and uniqueness of such community
10 college.

11 b. The internal committee established by each such community college
12 president shall consult with the board of trustees of their university
13 system and provide information that may be requested to such trustees to
14 aid in the creation of recommendations required pursuant to this subdi-
15 vision, and may consult with higher education professionals and the
16 regional state university of New York community college council in such
17 region, if applicable.

18 c. Each internal committee shall consider:

19 (i) the effect of the current FTE funding model on overall funding for
20 the community college and alternatives to such model;

21 (ii) the creation of new academic programs that may be beneficial in
22 supporting regional business and industry workforce needs;

23 (iii) duplication of academic degree programs in such community
24 college's region; and

25 (iv) any other issues the internal committee deems necessary.

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

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1 d. Each internal committee shall report recommendations to their
2 university system's board of trustees on December first, two thousand
3 seventeen, and the board of trustees of both the state university and
4 the city university shall report recommendations to the chairs of the
5 senate and assembly higher education committees by January first, two
6 thousand eighteen provided however, that nothing in this section shall
7 be construed to require a change in state support.

8 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.