STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

June 27, 2018

Introduced by Sen. O'MARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT directing the department of environmental conservation to conduct a study on the life cycle of battery use and disposal; directing such department to develop options and recommendations for a battery recycling collection program and a battery recycling outreach and education program; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. The department of environmental conservation is authorized 2 and directed to conduct a study on the life cycle of battery use and 3 disposal.

- § 2. The scope of the study shall include, but not be limited to:
- (a) environmentally sound battery recycling practices;
 - (b) existing battery recycling programs;
- (c) funding of a battery recycling program, with consideration for battery producers funding the program;
 - (d) current hazardous waste plans;
- 10 (e) methods of battery collection which includes an emphasis on 11 convenience for customers;
- 12 (f) analysis of statewide, local, or joint governance over a battery 13 recycling collection program;
- 14 (g) transportation of batteries recycled through a battery recycling 15 collection program;
- 16 (h) how to implement a battery recycling collection program throughout 17 the state given its varied population densities; and
- 18 (i) the use of battery stewardship organizations in a battery recycl-19 ing collection program.
- 20 § 3. The department of environmental conservation shall provide a 21 report to the governor and the legislature on or before January 1, 2020.
- 22 Such report shall include:

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

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1 (a) an analysis of options for a battery recycling collection program 2 which include transparent reporting and performance goals for responsi-3 ble parties;

- (b) an analysis of options for a battery recycling outreach and education program; and
- (c) recommendations on both battery recycling collection programs and battery recycling outreach and education programs.
- 8 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be 9 deemed repealed April 1, 2020.