

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 17, 2018

Introduced by M. of A. WALTER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

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.
- 4 § 2. The scope of the study shall include, but not be limited to:
- 5 (a) environmentally sound battery recycling practices;
6 (b) existing battery recycling programs;
7 (c) funding of a battery recycling program, with consideration for
8 battery producers funding the program;
9 (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:

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;
- 4 (b) an analysis of options for a battery recycling outreach and educa-
- 5 tion program; and
- 6 (c) recommendations on both battery recycling collection programs and
- 7 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- 9 deemed repealed April 1, 2020.