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Introduced by M. of A. PICHARDO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to require the commissioner of education, in consultation with the department of labor and any other appropriate agency, to produce an annual report regarding state workforce projections and education credential production; 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:

Section 1. The commissioner of education, in consultation with the department of labor and any other appropriate agency, shall produce an annual report regarding state workforce need projections and credential production. The report shall:

a. indicate the state's anticipated workforce needs for the next four years and the number of degrees, certificates, and other credentials that institutions of higher education and vocational schools expect to issue over the next four years;

b. indicate the state's anticipated number of degrees, certificates and other credentials that high school vocational programs, apprenticeship programs and other workforce training programs expect to issue over the next four years;

c. identify any workforce needs, including areas of specialization and levels of experience within a particular vocation, that may not be met by current education, training, and apprenticeship programs;

d. determine whether additional career and technical education programs are needed to help fill identified workforce needs;

e. identify institutions that can meet the workforce needs through expansion of existing programs or by developing new programs; and

f. determine whether the education department, in conjunction with the department of labor, can make future information, studied and provided for under this act, available on a real-time basis, including a determi-

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

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nation of the funds needed to implement such a system, the ability of current technology to accomplish real-time reporting, the need for any new technology to aid in real-time reporting, and the benefit provided to employers, employees, and educators in providing such information on a real-time basis.

§ 2. On or before January 1, 2020, and every year thereafter, the commissioner of education shall submit a report to the governor, temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, and the chairs of the education committees of the assembly and the senate of the findings made pursuant to section one of this act, and include recommendations to expand programs to meet workforce needs. Such report shall also include legislative proposals as such commissioner deems necessary to implement his or her recommendations.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed four years after such date.