STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 24, 2020

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- Introduced by M. of A. GUNTHER, SCHMITT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education
- AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to creating a state-wide literacy education advocacy program

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

- Section 1. Section 305 of the education law is amended by adding a new 2 subdivision 57 to read as follows:
- 3 <u>57. The commissioner shall develop a literacy education advocacy</u> 4 <u>program to provide additional literacy instruction for elementary</u> 5 <u>school-aged children. Such program shall:</u>
- 6 <u>a. foster collaborative relationships among not-for-profit organiza-</u>
 7 <u>tions that increase the capacity for programming aimed at urban chil-</u>
 8 <u>dren, youth, and families;</u>
- 9 <u>b. serve as an incubator of innovation, enabling participating organ-</u>
 10 <u>izations to employ their expertise to implement programs of value to the</u>
 11 <u>community;</u>
- 12 c. be optional for school districts across New York state; and
- 13 d. utilize the study performed by the commissioner on the Newburgh
- 14 Armory Unity Center Literacy Education Advocacy Partnership.
- § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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