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Introduced by M. of A. JOYNER, LAVINE, DICKENS, COOK, MOSLEY, D'URSO, JEAN-PIERRE, BARRON, GLICK, ARROYO, RIVERA, WILLIAMS, TAYLOR --Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. EPSTEIN, NIOU, SIMON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT authorizing and directing the commissioner of education to conduct a study on the number of children who are caregivers and how being a caregiver impacts their education

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

Section 1. The commissioner of education is hereby authorized and 2 directed to conduct a study on the number of children who are caregivers and how being a caregiver impacts the child's education. "Caregiver 4 children" shall be defined as students with sick, disabled, or elderly 5 relatives that such students care for outside of school. The commission-6 er of education shall give recommendations based on the study's findings. Such study shall include, but not be limited to:

- (a) the number of caregiver children within the state;
- (b) the amount of time caregiver children spend caring for relatives;
- (c) how being a caregiver child impacts the child's education;
- (d) the circumstances that lead to a child becoming a caregiver child; 11 12
- 13 (e) any recommendations on how to reduce the negative educational 14 impacts of being a caregiver child.
- § 2. Within one year of the effective date of this act, the commis-16 sioner of education shall submit a report of his or her findings,
- conclusions and recommendations to the governor, the temporary president 17 18 of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, and the chairs of the senate
- 19 and assembly committees on education. Such report shall also include
- such legislative proposals as such commissioner deems necessary to
- 21 implement his or her recommendations.

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22 § 3. 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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