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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. MAY, RITCHIE, BIAGGI, GALLIVAN, HELMING, JORDAN, KRUEGER, MARTINEZ, METZGER, MONTGOMERY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Education in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- reported favorably from said committee and committed to the Committee on Finance -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to authorizing and directing boards of cooperative educational services to establish an agriculture program for students

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

Section 1. Paragraph h of subdivision 4 of section 1950 of the education law is amended by adding a new subparagraph 13 to read as follows:

(13) To establish, upon local interest from one or more component school districts and subject to approval by the BOCES board of education, an agriculture program that is designed to provide students with the skills required to work in, and help sustain New York's agriculture industry. Such program may include, but not be limited to, a partnership with farms and other agriculture entities in the state that provide students with hands-on experience combined with other educational opportunities.

§ 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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