

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SKOUFIS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT to establish a 4-H agriculture technology challenge

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

1 Section 1. There is hereby established a 4-H agriculture technology
2 challenge. Such challenge shall be administered by the department of
3 agriculture and markets in conjunction with local Cornell cooperative
4 extension associations and local FIRST robotics programs. The depart-
5 ment of agriculture and markets shall work with local Cornell cooper-
6 ative extension associations to establish a challenge to engage students
7 in rural communities to develop solutions to relevant technological
8 problems faced by farmers and food producers. Such relevant problems
9 may include, but not be limited to, increasing food production while
10 also addressing the environmental impact of such increase. The depart-
11 ment of agriculture and markets shall establish a planning team to train
12 local coaches to assist students in rural communities to participate in
13 the challenge. Such planning team shall develop deadlines, parameters,
14 and relevant judging criteria for the submission for the agriculture
15 technology challenge. Subject to relevant appropriations, the planning
16 team shall establish prizes to be awarded to the winning submissions for
17 the agriculture technology challenge.
18 § 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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