

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. J. D. RIVERA -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to direct the New York state department of health to conduct a study on the incidences of cancer clusters in cities and towns having a population of more than ninety thousand

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

- 1 Section 1. 1. The commissioner of the New York state department of  
2 health is hereby authorized and directed to prepare or have prepared a  
3 study of the incidences of cancer clusters in all cities and towns  
4 having a population of more than ninety thousand inhabitants as deter-  
5 mined by the last federal decennial census. Such study shall include an  
6 analysis of high risk neighborhoods examining disparities in: income,  
7 race and ethnicity, public and private housing, proximity to major  
8 sources of air pollution, proximity to major sources of carcinogens, and  
9 an evaluation of the effectiveness of existing medical facilities in  
10 each city. The study shall include recommendations for evidence-based  
11 interventions to address the high burden of cancer clusters in each city  
12 and town included in the study.
- 13 2. For the purposes of this act, "cancer cluster" shall mean a great-  
14 er-than-expected number of cancer cases that occurs within a group of  
15 people in a geographic area over a period of time.
- 16 § 2. The study shall be completed and posted on the department of  
17 health's website by September thirtieth, two thousand twenty-three.
- 18 § 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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