STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the transportation law, in relation to a Southern State Parkway study; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

Section 1. The transportation law is amended by adding a new section 23 to read as follows:

§ 23. Southern State Parkway study. 1. The department, in consultation with the department of motor vehicles, the governor's traffic safety committee, local police agencies, local transportation entities in Nassau and Suffolk counties, local government stakeholders, and any other agency or group the department deems necessary to enlist the aid of, shall conduct a study to evaluate the configuration of entrance and exit ramps, and signage at entrance ways and exits on the Southern State Parkway in Nassau and Suffolk counties to determine whether adequate safety measures exist to prevent collisions and the instances of wrong way drivers. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, design and safety of the configuration and signage of entrance and exit ramps; the feasibility of implementing design changes to increase safety and reduce the likelihood of collisions and wrong way driving; the feasibility of implementing signage design changes to increase driver visibility of such signage and reduce the likelihood of a collision and wrong way driving; and federal funding available for highway safety improvement projects. The department is authorized to conduct any hearings it deems necessary to accomplish the purposes of this section.

2. The commissioner shall issue a report to the governor, the members of the assembly and senate representing districts in Nassau and Suffolk counties, the Nassau and Suffolk county executives, and the Nassau and

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

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Suffolk county legislatures with detailed recommendations and findings within two years of the effective date of this section.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be deemed repealed on and after two years and six months after such effective date.