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Introduced by M. of A. FAHY, SOLAGES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT directing the department of transportation to conduct a study on the feasibility of removing interstate 787

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

Section 1. 1. The department of transportation shall conduct a study to determine the feasibility of removing interstate 787 (I-787) and replacing it with traffic features that will allow easier access to the Hudson river waterfront and provide reasonable traffic operations.

2. Such study shall examine the challenges, opportunities, cost, and environmental impact of replacing interstate 787 with traffic features that would provide reasonable traffic operations and promote pedestrian access to the Hudson river waterfront, including, but not limited to, at-grade boulevards, lane narrowing, reduction of the number of lanes, potential rail stations and more pedestrian and multi-modal access to such waterfront. Such study shall consider the findings of the existing I-787/Hudson Waterfront Corridor Study completed by the Capital District Transportation Committee.

3. Upon completion of such study, but no later than one year from the effective date of this act, the department of transportation shall issue a report based on the findings of such study to the governor, the temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly. Such report shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) the findings of such study;

(b) any short-term and long-term actions that can be implemented by the department of transportation, a plan of action for such implementation, and the estimated cost of such implementation plan;

(c) a modeling of potential alternative traffic features that would replace interstate 787; and

(d) any recommendations to the governor and legislature.

§ 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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