STATE OF NEW YORK

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Introduced by M. of A. STIRPE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to establishing procurement goals for New York state food products on SUNY campuses

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

Section 1. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 163-c to read as follows:

§ 163-c. Procurement goals for New York state food products on SUNY campuses. 1. For the purposes of this section, the term "New York state food product" shall mean a food item that is:

(a) grown, harvested, or produced in this state; or

(b) processed inside or outside this state comprising over fifty-one percent agricultural raw materials grown, harvested, or produced in this state, by weight or volume.

2. (a) In order to create, strengthen, and expand local farm and food economies throughout New York, it shall be the goal of this state that twenty percent of all food and food products purchased by public universities, shall, by two thousand twenty-three, be New York state food products.

(b) To meet the goals set forth in this section, when a SUNY contract for the purchase of food or food products is to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, an otherwise qualified bidder who will fulfill the contract through the use of New York state food products may be given preference over other bidders, provided that the cost included in the bid of New York state food products is not more than ten percent greater than the cost included in a bid that is not for New York state food products.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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