STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to authorizing the empire state development corporation to retain one or more independent MWBE consultant firms to conduct an independent review of procurement procedures utilized by state agencies

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

Section 1. Section 311-a of the executive law is amended by adding a new subdivision 6 to read as follows:

6. The empire state development corporation, acting through the statewide advocate, shall retain one or more independent MWBE consultant firms to conduct an independent review of procurement procedures utilized by state agencies, the level and training of staff involved in the procurement process and the outreach measures used by such staff to work with minority-owned and women-owned businesses during the procurement process. The WMBE contractor shall report its findings and recommendations for improvements to the statewide advocate on a quarterly basis.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that the amendments to section 311-a of the executive law made by section one of this act shall not affect the expiration of article 15-A of the executive law and shall be deemed to expire therewith.

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

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