STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 7, 2022

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

AN ACT to amend the agriculture and markets law, in relation to industrial hemp development

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

Section 1. Section 519 of the agriculture and markets law, as added by chapter 1 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

§ 519. Hemp economic development. [~~To the extent the commissioner believes it to be necessary, the~~] **The** commissioner shall consult and cooperate with the New York state urban development corporation**, the New York state hemp workgroup created pursuant to section one hundred eight of the cannabis law, and representatives of industries that currently use, or may potentially use, industrial hemp in their products,** with respect to the funding and support of research**, and product and business development and promotion,** concerning hemp and businesses involved in growing, cultivating, and processing hemp for **uses including, but not limited to** food, fiber, **packaging,** cannabinoid content, **and** construction materials [~~and other uses~~].

§ 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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