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Introduced by Sens. PARKER, SEPULVEDA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to establish a task force to study the impact of a state-issued cryptocurrency on the state of New York

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

Section 1. a. A task force is hereby established to study the impact 2 of a state-issued cryptocurrency on the state of New York. For purposes of this act, "cryptocurrency" shall mean a digital currency in which encryption techniques are used to regulate the generation of units and currency and verify the transfer of funds, operating independently from a central bank.

b. The task force shall study:

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- (i) the necessary steps the state of New York must take to produce and 9 release a state-issued cryptocurrency and how such will affect the 10 United States Securities and Exchange Commission's and the Commodities 11 Futures Trading Commission's jurisdiction over economic transactions;
- (ii) the implications of issuing such cryptocurrency on monetary poli-12 13 cy and financial stability;
- (iii) how local, state, and federal taxation would be affected by 14 15 such; and
- 16 (iv) the measures other jurisdictions, central banks, international governing bodies, states, or countries, have taken to potentially issue 17 18 cryptocurrency.
- c. No later than one year after the effective date of this act, the 19 20 task force shall report its findings to the governor and the legislature, as described under subdivision b of this section.
- 22 § 2. a. The task force shall be comprised of:
- 23 (i) two members appointed by the governor;
- 24 (ii) two members appointed by the temporary president of the senate;
- 25 (iii) two members appointed by the speaker of the assembly;

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

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1 (iv) two members appointed by the superintendent of the department of 2 financial services; and

- 3 (v) one member appointed by the director of the office of information 4 technology services.
 - b. One of the appointments by the governor shall serve as chairperson of the task force.
 - c. The members of the task force shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be allowed their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their services.
- d. All departments, divisions, bureaus, commissions, districts or agencies of the state or any political subdivisions thereof shall, at
- 12 the request of the chairperson, provide the task force with such facili-
- 13 ties, assistance and data as will enable the task force to carry out its 14 powers and duties.
- 15 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.