STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 27, 2025

Introduced by Sens. HELMING, OBERACKER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Elections

AN ACT to provide for a referendum on the question "Do you support the division of New York into two separate states?"; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

Section 1. There shall be submitted to the voters of the state at a general election held on or before December 31, 2026 the following question: "Do you support the division of New York into two separate states?"

§ 2. Such question shall be submitted in the manner provided in the election law, and the provisions of such law, not inconsistent with this act, relating to the submission of and to the taking, counting and returning of the vote and canvassing the results upon a question submitted pursuant to law to the voters of the state shall apply to the question herein required to be submitted. The ballots shall be in such form as prescribed by such law. When the board of elections shall have completed its canvass of the results of the vote upon such question, it shall forthwith certify the results of the vote upon such question to the secretary of the senate and clerk of the assembly.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire January 1, 2027 when upon such date the provisions of this act shall be deemed repealed.

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

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