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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to trustees of the state university and city university

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 353 of the education law, as
2 amended by chapter 127 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as
3 follows:
4 1. The state university shall be governed, and all of its corporate
5 powers exercised, by a board of trustees. Such board shall consist of
6 seventeen members, fifteen of whom shall be appointed by the governor
7 with the advice and consent of the senate, one of whom shall be the
8 president of the student assembly of the state university, ex-officio
9 and voting; PROVIDED THAT NO SUCH MEMBER, EXCEPT THE PRESIDENT OF THE
10 STUDENT ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OR ANY CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE
11 EMPLOYEE, SHALL BE THE EMPLOYEE OF, OR UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF, THE
12 GOVERNOR, and one of whom shall be the president of the university
13 faculty senate, ex-officio and non-voting. Such ex-officio members shall
14 be subject to every provision of any general, special, or local law,
15 ordinance, charter, code, rule, or regulation applying to the voting
16 members of such board with respect to the discharge of their duties,
17 including, but not limited to, those provisions setting forth codes of
18 ethics, disclosure requirements, and prohibiting business and profes-
19 sional activities. One member of the board shall be designated by the

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

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1 governor as chairperson and one as vice-chairperson. Of the members
2 first appointed, two shall be appointed for a term which shall expire on
3 June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-two; one for a term which shall
4 expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-three; two for a term
5 which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-four; one
6 for a term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred
7 fifty-five; two for a term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nine-
8 teen hundred fifty-six; one for a term which shall expire on June thir-
9 tieth, nineteen hundred fifty-seven; two for a term which shall expire
10 on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-eight; one for a term which
11 shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-nine; two for a
12 term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred sixty; and
13 one for a term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred
14 sixty-one. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same
15 manner as original appointments. The term of office of each trustee
16 appointed on or after April first, nineteen hundred eighty-six shall be
17 seven years, except those of the student member and the faculty member.
18 Trustees shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be
19 reimbursed for their expenses actually and necessarily incurred by them
20 in the performance of their duties under this article.

21 S 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 6204 of the education
22 law, as added by chapter 305 of the laws of 1979, is amended to read as
23 follows:

24 (a) The board of trustees shall consist of seventeen trustees. Ten of
25 the trustees shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and
26 consent of the senate; PROVIDED THAT NO SUCH TRUSTEE, EXCEPT ANY CLASSI-
27 FIED CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEE, SHALL BE AN EMPLOYEE OF, OR UNDER THE
28 SUPERVISION OF, THE GOVERNOR. Five of the trustees shall be appointed
29 by the mayor of the city of New York with the advice and consent of the
30 senate; PROVIDED THAT NO SUCH TRUSTEE, EXCEPT ANY CLASSIFIED CIVIL
31 SERVICE EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, SHALL BE AN EMPLOYEE OF, OR
32 UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK. One ex-of-
33 ficio trustee shall be the chairperson of the university student senate.
34 One ex-officio non-voting trustee shall be the chairperson of the
35 university faculty senate.

36 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to board
37 members of the state university of New York and trustees of the city
38 university of New York appointed on or after such effective date.