IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the New York city charter, in relation to requiring the board of standards and appeals of the city of New York to provide a copy of each application for a variance or special permit to the member of the state assembly and the state senator in whose districts the land, to which the application relates, is located

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

Section 1. Paragraph 1 of subdivision a, and subdivisions b and c of section 668 of the New York city charter, paragraph 1 of subdivision a and subdivision b as amended by local law number 102 of the city of New York for the year 1977, and subdivision c as amended by a vote of the people of the city of New York at the general election held in November 1989, are amended to read as follows:

- 1. Each proposal or application shall be filed with the board of standards and appeals, which shall forward a copy within five days to the community board for each community district in which the land involved, or any part thereof, is located, and to the borough board if the proposal or application involves land located in two or more districts in a borough; AND SHALL DELIVER, WITHIN FIVE DAYS, A COPY THEREOF TO EACH MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY AND EACH STATE SENATOR IN WHOSE DISTRICT THE LAND INVOLVED IS LOCATED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE EIGHT OF THE STATE LAW.
- b. The recommendation of a community board or borough board pursuant to subdivision a of this section shall be filed with the board of standards and appeals and [a copy] COPIES sent to the city planning commission, AND TO EACH MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY AND EACH STATE SENATOR IN WHOSE DISTRICT THE LAND INVOLVED IS LOCATED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE EIGHT OF THE STATE LAW. The board of standards and appeals shall conduct a public hearing and act on the proposed application. A decision of the board shall indicate whether each of the specific requirements of the zoning resolution for the granting of variances has been met and shall include findings of fact with regard to each such requirement.

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

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c. Copies of a decision of the board of standards and appeals and copies of any recommendation of the affected community board or borough board shall be filed with the city planning commission. Copies of the decision shall also be filed with the affected community or borough IN ADDITION, COPIES OF THE DECISION SHALL BE SENT TO EACH MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY AND EACH STATE SENATOR IN WHOSE DISTRICT THE LAND INVOLVED IS LOCATED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE EIGHT OF THE STATE LAW. S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law, and shall apply to proposals and applications filed with the board of standards and appeals on or after such date. 10