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Introduced by Sens. LITTLE, MAZIARZ -- (at request of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to leasing and licensing of property; and to repeal subdivision 2-g of section 3.09 of such law relating to leases and licensing to the city school district of the city of Niagara Falls

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 2-d of section 3.09 of the parks, recreation  
2     and historic preservation law, as amended by chapter 263 of the laws of  
3     2012, is amended to read as follows:  
4     2-d. Be empowered, in addition to any other provision of law authoriz-  
5     ing the leasing or licensing of property under its jurisdiction, to  
6     encourage investment by the private sector for the provision of equip-  
7     ment and capital improvements at historic sites, state park and recre-  
8     ation facilities by entering into lease or license agreements for an  
9     extended term not to exceed forty years at the following: in the first  
10    park region, for services provided at the observation tower, and for  
11    buildings and structures commonly known as the Cave of the Winds build-  
12    ing, the Top of the Falls Restaurant, the administration building, the  
13    visitor center, the Goat Island center, the snack bar at the Cave of the  
14    Winds, the current police building, the original Prospect Point elevator  
15    building, the lower landing snack bar and the Schoellkopf Museum,  
16    including improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant thereto  
17    at Niagara Reservation State Park, the site of the former casino, the  
18    former commission house and the eighty-slip boat marina within the boun-  
19    daries of Beaver Island state park and the structures known as the navy

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

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1 barracks, the post theater, the officers' club and the commandant's  
2 house within Fort Niagara state park, buildings and structures at  
3 Deveau Woods state park, and buildings and facilities within Knox Farm  
4 state park; in the second park region, the building known as Minturn  
5 Mansion within Long Point on Lake Chautauqua state park; in the third  
6 park region, for buildings and structures commonly known as the Glen  
7 Iris Inn, the Pioneer Museum, the Pinewood Lodge, the Prospect house,  
8 the Lauterbrunnen house, the Lower Falls restaurant building, the pool  
9 concession stands, the North Entrance visitor center, the administration  
10 building, the Commission house and the Stone building, including  
11 improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant thereto at Letch-  
12 worth State park; in the fourth park region, the structures known as the  
13 caretaker's house and garage within the Buttermilk Falls state park; in  
14 the seventh park region, the structure known as the brick cottage and  
15 associated outbuildings at John Jay Homestead state historic site, the  
16 structure known as the Hoyt House and the barns at Ogden Mills and Ruth  
17 Livingston Mills state park, the outbuildings at Olana state historic  
18 site and the building commonly known as the Staatsburg School in Margar-  
19 et Lewis Norrie state park; in the eighth park region, for buildings and  
20 structures commonly known as the Bear Mountain Inn, the A. K. Morgan  
21 Overlook Lodge, the Cliff house, the Hilltop lodge, the Summit lodge,  
22 the Echo lodge, the Beaver lodge and the Spring lodge, including  
23 improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant thereto at Bear  
24 Mountain State Park; in the ninth park region, THE CLUBHOUSE AND TENNIS  
25 FACILITY AT BETHPAGE STATE PARK, THE WINTER COTTAGE AND MAIN HOUSE AT  
26 CAUMSETT STATE HISTORIC PRESERVE, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT THE  
27 LOCATION OF THE AQUATIC COMPLEX AND CAMPGROUND AT HECKSCHER STATE PARK,  
28 the Boardwalk Restaurant at Jones Beach state park and the buildings and  
29 structures at Nissequogue state park; in the eleventh park region, the  
30 structure known as La Tour house, the former bottling plant and dormito-  
31 ry for adaptive reuse, and property for the development of a golf course  
32 and related facilities within Saratoga Spa state park; IN THE TWELFTH  
33 PARK REGION THE BAYSWATER SUNSET LODGE AT BAYSWATER POINT STATE PARK.  
34 Any such lease or license may provide for reasonable rights of access,  
35 utilities and parking located within the boundaries of the respective  
36 park or historic site. Such extended term shall be for the purpose of  
37 assuring a lessee or licensee adequate protection against loss of  
38 investments in developing, renovating, improving, furnishing and equip-  
39 ping such properties, and the length of the term of any such lease or  
40 license shall have a direct relationship to the period required to amor-  
41 tize the investment. Any such lease or license shall be entered into  
42 only after a finding by the commissioner that such action is compatible  
43 with public enjoyment and participation in adjacent park facilities, and  
44 in the case of structures listed on or eligible for the state register  
45 of historic places, that such lease or license will encourage investment  
46 by the private sector in restoring, preserving and maintaining such  
47 properties. In addition, such lease or license shall contain terms and  
48 conditions as the commissioner shall deem necessary to address environ-  
49 mental concerns, including any historic and recreational resources of  
50 such property; the compatible uses of adjacent park lands and facili-  
51 ties; and otherwise to protect the public interest. The bid prospectus  
52 submitted to prospective bidders shall contain specific information  
53 concerning the nature of the capital improvements or equipment to be  
54 provided by the successful bidder. Revenues from the lease or license of  
55 property pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the state park

1 infrastructure fund established pursuant to section ninety-seven-mm of  
2 the state finance law.  
3 S 2. Subdivision 2-g of section 3.09 of the parks, recreation and  
4 historic preservation law is REPEALED.  
5 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.