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Introduced by M. of A. ERRIGO, MORINELLO, CASTORINA -- Multi-Sponsored
by -- M. of A. GIGLIO -- read once and referred to the Committee on
Real Property Taxation

AN ACT to amend the real property tax law and the public officers law,
in relation to requiring real property tax assessment information be
subject to the freedom of information law

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

1 Section 1. Section 501 of the real property tax law, as added by chap-
2 ter 773 of the laws of 1981, subdivision 2 as further amended by section
3 1 of part W of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as
4 follows:

5 § 501. Examination of assessment inventory and valuation data. 1. Upon
6 ascertainment of real property as required by section five hundred of
7 this title, the assessor shall forthwith cause a notice, the contents of
8 which are set forth in subdivision two of this section, to be published
9 at least once in each of two consecutive weeks in a newspaper having
10 general local circulation. Notice shall also be posted on the signboard
11 maintained for the posting of legal notices at the entrance of the town
12 clerk's office pursuant to subdivision six of section thirty of the town
13 law, and any official web site maintained by the town.

14 2. The notice shall state that the assessor has available for review
15 assessment inventory [~~and~~], valuation data, and any formulas and other
16 information used to calculate assessments, that an appointment may be
17 made to review this information during certain times as specified in the
18 notice, and any other information which the commissioner may require by
19 rule and regulation.

20 3. The information available for review in subdivision two of this
21 section shall also be subject to the provisions of article six of the
22 public officers law.

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

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1 § 2. Subparagraph iv of paragraph (c) of subdivision 2 of section 89
2 of the public officers law, as amended by section 11 of part U of chap-
3 ter 61 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

4 iv. when a record or group of records relates to the right, title or
5 interest in real property, or relates to the inventory, status or char-
6 acteristics of real property or any information used to calculate a real
7 property tax assessment, in which case disclosure and providing copies
8 of such record or group of records shall not be deemed an unwarranted
9 invasion of personal privacy, provided that nothing herein shall be
10 construed to authorize the disclosure of electronic contact information,
11 such as an e-mail address or a social network username, that has been
12 collected from a taxpayer under section one hundred four of the real
13 property tax law.

14 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.