

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 11, 2017

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

AN ACT to amend chapter 54 of the laws of 2017 enacting the capital projects budget, in relation to the special infrastructure account

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

Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 54 of the laws of 2017, enacting the capital projects budget, is amended by adding thereto the items hereinbelow set forth in *italics* and is amended by deleting therefrom the items hereinbelow set forth in brackets as follows:

MISCELLANEOUS -- ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

NEW YORK STATE SPECIAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOUNT

CAPITAL PROJECTS - REAPPROPRIATIONS 2017-18

NEW YORK STATE SPECIAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOUNT (CCP)

Capital Projects Funds - Other

Dedicated Infrastructure Investment Fund

Infrastructure Investment Account

Special Infrastructure Purpose

The appropriation made by chapter 55, section 1, of the laws of 2016, is hereby amended and reappropriated to read:

For services and expenses related to the empire state poverty reduction initiative. Funds appropriated herein shall be made available for sixteen local anti-poverty task forces in municipalities, or a borough, with high rates of poverty as determined by the U.S. Census Bureau's 2010-14 American Community Survey Five-year Estimate: Albany, the Bronx, Binghamton, Buffalo, Elmira, Hempstead,

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

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1 Jamestown, Newburgh, Niagara Falls, Oneonta, Oswego, Rochester,
2 Syracuse, Troy, Utica and Watertown. Additional factors that may be
3 considered include high instances of violent crimes, as measured by
4 the division of criminal justice services. Provided that, except in
5 municipalities where a state-funded anti-poverty task force or
6 initiative already exists and is receiving or has received State
7 funding for such purpose, the mayor of each municipality, or in the
8 case of the Bronx, the borough president, will select a not-for-pro-
9 fit organization that provides services in the municipality, or in
10 the case of the Bronx, the borough, to serve as the local coordina-
11 tor of each such local task force. Provided further that, except in
12 municipalities where a state-funded antipoverty task force or initi-
13 ative already exists and is receiving or has received funding, each
14 such taskforce shall make efforts to be comprised of, but not limit-
15 ed to, the following members: representatives from municipal, coun-
16 ty, and/or state government; individuals who have lived in or
17 currently live in households in poverty; individuals and advocates
18 representing local not-for-profit and community organizations;
19 representatives from local school districts; representatives from
20 local law enforcement agencies; and representatives from local
21 social services districts. Of the funds appropriated herein, the
22 amount available for each local anti-poverty task force shall be
23 determined based on the number of people in each municipality, or a
24 borough, who are living in poverty as determined by the U.S. Census
25 Bureau's 2010-14 American Community Survey Five-year Estimate
26 provided that each local anti-poverty task force shall be eligible
27 to receive funding in the following amounts: municipalities with
28 fewer than 5,000 individuals in poverty shall each be eligible to
29 receive \$500,000; municipalities with between 5,000 and 10,000 indi-
30 viduals in poverty shall each be eligible to receive \$1,000,000;
31 municipalities with between 10,000 and 40,000 individuals in poverty
32 shall each be eligible to receive \$1,500,000; and municipalities, or
33 a borough, with more than 40,000 individuals in poverty shall each
34 be eligible to receive \$2,750,000. Funds allocated to each task
35 force shall not supplant any funds received under the Edward Byrne
36 memorial justice assistance grant program or federal successor stat-
37 ute. Funds appropriated herein shall be available to support the
38 work of each anti-poverty task force and such work shall be divided
39 into two phases. During the first phase, the mayor of the munici-
40 pality, or in the case of the Bronx, the borough president, will
41 select a not-for-profit organization that has demonstrated success-
42 ful performance working with community stakeholders and achieving
43 objectives specified herein, to coordinate the local antipoverty
44 task force. The not-for-profit organization serving as coordinator
45 will assemble the antipoverty task force using the criteria outlined
46 above. Provided further that, with guidance and oversight of the
47 commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance
48 and input from the commissioner of criminal justice services, each
49 local anti-poverty task force shall use data to identify high need
50 issues and neighborhoods within the municipality, or in the case of
51 the Bronx, the borough; identify problems that are common in neigh-
52 borhoods throughout the municipality, or in the case of the Bronx,
53 the borough; receive input from local residents; use data including
54 crime statistics as provided by the division of criminal justice
55 services, and resident input to select one or more focus areas
56 related to either one or more issues or one or more neighborhoods;

1 and develop a plan for how funding will be targeted toward the iden-
2 tified issues or neighborhoods. Such focus areas may include, but
3 are not limited to childhood poverty [~~and~~], homelessness gang
4 prevention and intervention and public safety. Activities included
5 in such plan may include, but are not limited to: providing public
6 assistance recipients opportunities to participate in enhanced work
7 activities that either provide recognized credentialing or enhanced
8 career readiness or job training for better linkage to potential
9 employment; assisting families in poverty through services provided
10 to parents and children; and addressing chronic homelessness or
11 housing insecurity. Such plan must include measurable objectives
12 and a timeframe for completion and shall be submitted for approval
13 to the commissioner of the office of temporary and disability
14 assistance. Of the total amount made available to each anti-poverty
15 task force, the lesser of \$300,000 or 20 percent of the total award
16 may be used to carry out planning and administration, provided
17 however, that the amount used for planning and administration may
18 exceed such limitation if such amount is approved by the commis-
19 sioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance as part of
20 the plan required herein. Upon receiving approval from the commis-
21 sioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance, each
22 such anti-poverty task force shall commence the second phase of its
23 work, which will support the implementation of the plan developed
24 during the first phase. Funding appropriated herein shall be made
25 available to the not-for-profit organization serving as coordinator
26 and its use shall be restricted to purposes or initiatives that do
27 not necessitate ongoing state financial support. Such anti-poverty
28 task forces shall be encouraged to secure match funding from private
29 sector and foundation sources to supplement the funds appropriated
30 herein and provided further that any funding provided from this
31 appropriation shall not be used to supplant funding for programs
32 already in existence. Such funds may be made available pursuant to a
33 plan approved by the director of the budget (931A16SP) ...
34 25,000,000 (re. \$25,000,000)
35 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately; and shall be deemed to
36 have been in full force and effect on the same date and in the same
37 manner as chapter 54 of the laws of 2017 took effect.