

STATE OF NEW YORK

3923

2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 30, 2025

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

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 14 of article 3 of the constitution, in relation to limiting the use of messages of necessity

1 Section 1. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That section 14 of arti-
2 cle 3 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

3 § 14. No bill shall be passed or become a law unless it shall have
4 been printed and upon the desks of the members, in its final form, at
5 least three calendar legislative days prior to its final passage, unless
6 the governor, or the acting governor, shall have certified, under [~~his~~
7 ~~or her~~] their hand and the seal of the state, the facts which in [~~his or~~
8 ~~her~~] the governor's or acting governor's opinion necessitate an immedi-
9 ate vote thereon to respond to a state disaster emergency, as defined by
10 paragraph b of subdivision two of section twenty of the executive law in
11 which case it must nevertheless be upon the desks of the members in
12 final form, not necessarily printed, before its final passage; nor shall
13 any bill be passed or become a law, except by the assent of a majority
14 of the members elected to each branch of the legislature; and upon the
15 last reading of a bill, no amendment thereof shall be allowed, and the
16 question upon its final passage shall be taken immediately thereafter,
17 and the ayes and nays entered on the journal.

18 For purposes of this section, a bill shall be deemed to be printed and
19 upon the desks of the members if: it is set forth in a legible electron-
20 ic format by electronic means, and it is available for review in such
21 format at the desks of the members. For purposes of this section "elec-
22 tronic means" means any method of transmission of information between
23 computers or other machines designed for the purpose of sending and
24 receiving such transmissions and which: allows the recipient to
25 reproduce the information transmitted in a tangible medium of
26 expression; and does not permit additions, deletions or other changes to
27 be made without leaving an adequate record thereof.

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

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1 § 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing be referred
2 to the first regular legislative session convening after the next
3 succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in conform-
4 ity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be published for 3
5 months previous to the time of such election.