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AN ACT creating the New York city-New York state task force on building and fire safety, and providing for the duties thereof; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. There shall be a New York city-New York state task force on
2 building and fire safety in state-owned or leased buildings.
3 S 2. The task force shall consist of a working group co-chaired by one
4 appointee of the governor and one appointee of the mayor of the city of
5 New York. In addition to the co-chairs, the working group shall have
6 eight other members, four of whom shall represent the city and four of
7 whom shall represent the state. The city members shall consist of one
8 representative from the New York city department of buildings, one from
9 the New York city fire department, and two additional representatives of
10 the city of New York appointed by the mayor. The state members shall
11 consist of one representative from the office of general services, one
12 from the department of state division of code enforcement and adminis-
13 tration, one from the New York state office of fire prevention and
14 control, and one additional representative of the state of New York
15 appointed by the governor.

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

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1 S 3. The duties of the task force shall consist of the following: (a)
2 review key distinctions between the respective building and fire codes
3 of the city and state of New York, and recommend enhancements to the
4 state and city codes as applied to buildings located in New York city
5 that are owned or leased by the state of New York or a state agency, as
6 that term is defined in section 372 of the executive law; (b) review
7 safety issues and concerns encountered by first-responders in New York
8 city when responding to emergencies in buildings owned or leased by the
9 state of New York or a state agency, as that term is defined in section
10 372 of the executive law; (c) review and update the inventory of build-
11 ings in the city of New York owned or leased by the state of New York or
12 a state agency, as that term is defined in section 372 of the executive
13 law, and the entities controlling each such building; (d) review exist-
14 ing formal and informal arrangements for building and fire code compli-
15 ance, and inspections by city agencies for buildings owned or leased by
16 the state of New York or a state agency, as that term is defined in
17 section 372 of the executive law; (e) develop mechanisms to enhance
18 transparency of construction and operation of buildings in the city of
19 New York owned or leased by the state of New York or a state agency, as
20 that term is defined in section 372 of the executive law, including
21 posting of inspection data and publication of information about new
22 state projects; (f) review major state capital projects over the last
23 decade in the city of New York and identify issues related to compliance
24 with fire codes and life-safety for such capital projects; (g) make
25 recommendations that would address the relationship of the building and
26 fire codes of the city to buildings owned or leased by the state of New
27 York or a state agency, as that term is defined in section 372 of the
28 executive law.

29 S 4. The task force shall submit a report to the governor, the tempo-
30 rary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the speaker
31 of the city council of the city of New York, and the mayor of the city
32 of New York no later than March first, 2012.

33 S 5. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be
34 deemed repealed June thirtieth, two thousand twelve.