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Introduced by M. of A. FARRELL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

AN ACT to amend chapter 298 of the laws of 1985, amending the tax law relating to the franchise tax on banking corporations imposed by the tax law, authorized to be imposed by any city having a population of one million or more by chapter 772 of the laws of 1966 and imposed by the administrative code of the city of New York and relating to other provisions of the tax law, chapter 883 of the laws of 1975 and the administrative code of the city of New York which relates franchise tax, to amend chapter 817 of the laws of 1987, amending the tax law and the environmental conservation law, constituting the business tax reform and rate reduction act of 1987, and to amend chapter 525 of the laws of 1988, amending the tax law and the administrative code of the city of New York relating to the imposition of the city of New York, in relation to the effectiveness of certain provisions of such chapters; and to amend the tax law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to extending transitional provisions relating to the federal Gramm-Leach-Bliley act

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

Section 1. Section 51 of chapter 298 of the laws of 1985, amending the tax law relating to the franchise tax on banking corporations imposed by the tax law, authorized to be imposed by any city having a population of one million or more by chapter 772 of the laws of 1966 and imposed by the administrative code of the city of New York and relating to other provisions of the tax law, chapter 883 of the laws of 1975 and the administrative code of the city of New York which relates to such franchise tax, as amended by chapter 67 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

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10 S 51. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxa-11 ble years beginning on or after January 1, 1985[, except that:

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

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(a) sections one through eight shall not apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011;

- (b) sections nine, twelve, the amendment made to paragraph 9 of subsection (a) of section 1452 of the tax law by section thirteen, sections fifteen, sixteen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-three, twenty-seven, thirty and thirty-two, the amendment made to paragraph 9 of subdivision (a) of section 11-640 of the administrative code of the city of New York by section thirty-three, sections thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty, and forty-five shall not apply to corporations other than savings banks and savings and loan associations for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011.
- (c) sections twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-four, forty-one and forty-two shall not apply to corporations other than savings banks and savings and loan associations for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, provided, however, that the provisions of such sections which relate to the alternative minimum tax measured by taxable assets shall continue to apply to all taxpayers for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011;
- (d) the amendment to the section heading and the opening paragraph of section 11-643.3 of the administrative code of the city of New York made by section forty-three shall not apply to corporations other than savings banks and savings and loan associations for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011 with respect to those provisions of such section 11-643.3 which relate to the basic tax measured by entire net income; and
- (e) section twenty-eight, and the addition of new section 11-643.5 of the administrative code of the city of New York made by section forty-four shall not apply to corporations other than savings banks and savings and loan associations for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, provided, however, that the provisions of such sections which relate to the alternative minimum taxes measured by assets, issued capital stock and one hundred twenty-five dollars shall continue to apply to all taxpayers for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011].
- S 2. Subdivisions (d) and (f) of section 110 of chapter 817 of the laws of 1987, amending the tax law and the environmental conservation law, constituting the business tax reform and rate reduction act of 1987, as amended by chapter 67 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows:
- (d) The provisions of section sixty-seven of this act except insofar as it amends paragraph 10 of subsection (b) of section 1453 of the tax law, seventy-one and seventy-four shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986[, provided, however, that new paragraphs 11 and 12 of subsection (b) of section 1453 of the tax law as added by section sixty-seven of this act, the amendments made by section seventy-one of this act, and new subsection (i) of section 1453 of the tax law as added by section seventy-four of this act shall not apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011];
- (f) The provisions of section one hundred four of this act shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986[, and shall not apply to corporations other than savings banks and savings and loan associations for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, provided, however, that the provisions of such section which relate to the alternative minimum tax measured by taxable assets shall continue to apply to all taxpayers for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011].

S 3. Subdivisions (c) and (d) of section 68 of chapter 525 of the laws of 1988, amending the tax law and the administrative code of the city of New York relating to the imposition of taxes in the city of New York, as amended by chapter 67 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows:

- (c) The provisions of sections one, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-six, thirty-seven, forty through forty-five, forty-seven and forty-eight of this act shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986[, provided, however, that the amendments made by sections thirty-six and forty-one of this act, and new subdivision (i) of section 11-641 of the administrative code of the city of New York as added by section forty-four of this act shall not apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011];
- (d) The provisions of section forty-six of this act shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986[, and shall not apply to corporations other than savings banks and savings and loan associations for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, provided, however, that the provisions of such section which relate to the alternative minimum tax measured by taxable assets shall continue to apply to all taxpayers for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011];
- S 4. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection (m) of section 1452 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 24 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows:
- (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section other than subsection (n) of this section, a corporation that existence before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and was subject to tax under article nine-A of this chapter for its last taxable year beginning before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN, continue to be taxable under such article for all taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN. The preceding sentence shall not apply to any taxable year during which such corporation banking corporation described in paragraphs one through eight subsection (a) of this section. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section other than subsection (n) of this section, banking corporation or corporation that was in existence before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and was subject to tax under this article for its last taxable year beginning before January first, two thou-[ten] ELEVEN, shall continue to be taxable under this article for all taxable years beginning on or after January first, two [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN or in which the corporation satisfies the requirements for a corporation to elect to be taxable under this article. Provided further, that nothing in this subsection shall prohibit a corporation that elected pursuant to subsection (d) of this section to be taxable under article nine-A of this chapter from revoking that election in accordance with such subsection (d).

For purposes of this paragraph, a corporation shall be considered to be subject to tax under article nine-A of this chapter for a taxable year if such corporation was not a taxpayer but was properly included in a combined report filed pursuant to section two hundred eleven of this chapter for such taxable year and a corporation shall be considered to be subject to tax under this article for a taxable year if such corporation was not a taxpayer but was properly included in a combined return filed pursuant to subsection (f) or (g) of section fourteen hundred sixty-two of this article for such taxable year. A corporation that was

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(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section other than subsection (n) of this section, a corporation formed on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN may elect to be subject to tax under this article or under article nine-A of this chapter for its first year beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN in which either (i) sixty-five percent or more of its voting stock is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly by a financial holding company, provided the corporation whose voting stock is so owned or controlled is principally engaged in activities that are described in section 4(k)(4) or 4(k)(5)of the federal bank holding company act of nineteen hundred fifty-six, amended and the regulations promulgated pursuant to the authority of such section, or (ii) it is a financial subsidiary. An election under this paragraph may not be made by a corporation described in paragraphs one through eight of subsection (a) of this section or in subsection (e) of this section. In addition, an election under this paragraph may not be made by a corporation that is a party to a reorganization, as defined subsection (a) of section 368 of the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, of a corporation described in paragraph one of subsection if both corporations were sixty-five percent or more owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the same interests at the time of the reorganization.

An election under this paragraph must be made by the taxpayer on or before the due date for filing its return (determined with regard to extensions of time for filing) for the applicable taxable year. The election to be taxed under article nine-A of this chapter shall be made by the taxpayer by filing the report required pursuant to section two hundred eleven of this chapter and the election to be taxed under this article shall be made by the taxpayer by filing the return required pursuant to section fourteen hundred sixty-two of this article. Any election made pursuant to this paragraph shall be irrevocable and shall apply to each subsequent taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, provided that the stock ownership and activities requirements described in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph are met or such corporation described in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph continues as a financial subsidiary.

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S 5. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of subdivision (1) of section 11-640 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 24 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows:

- (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section other than subdivision (m) of this section, a corporation that was in existence before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and was 5 6 7 subject to tax under subchapter two of this chapter for its last taxable year beginning before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN, shall continue to be taxable under such subchapter for all taxable years 9 10 beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and 11 before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN. The preceding sentence shall not apply to any taxable year during which such corpo-12 13 ration is a banking corporation described in paragraphs one through 14 eight of subdivision (a) of this section. Notwithstanding anything to 15 the contrary contained in this section other than subdivision (m) of 16 this section, a banking corporation or corporation that was in existence before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and was subject to tax 17 18 under this subchapter for its last taxable year beginning before January 19 first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN, shall continue to be taxable under this subchapter for all taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand 20 21 22 [eleven] THIRTEEN or in which the corporation satisfies the requirements for a corporation to elect to be taxable under this subchapter. Provided 23 further, that nothing in this subdivision shall prohibit a corporation 24 25 that elected pursuant to subdivision (d) of this section to be taxable 26 under subchapter two of this chapter from revoking that election in accordance with subdivision (d) of this section. For purposes of this paragraph, a corporation shall be considered to be subject to tax under 27 28 29 subchapter two of this chapter for a taxable year if such corporation 30 was not a taxpayer but was properly included in a combined report filed pursuant to subdivision four of section 11-605 of this chapter for such 31 32 taxable year and a corporation shall be considered to be subject to tax 33 under this subchapter for a taxable year if such corporation was not a taxpayer but was properly included in a combined report filed pursuant 34 to subdivision (f) or (g) of section 11-646 of this part for such taxa-35 36 year. A corporation that was in existence before January first, two 37 thousand [ten] ELEVEN but first becomes a taxpayer in a taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, shall be consid-38 39 40 for purposes of this paragraph to have been subject to tax under subchapter two of this chapter for its last taxable year beginning 41 before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN if such corporation would have been subject to tax under such subchapter for such taxable 42 43 44 if it had been a taxpayer during such taxable year. A corporation 45 that was in existence before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN first becomes a taxpayer in a taxable year beginning on or after 46 January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, 47 thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, shall be considered for purposes of this paragraph to have been subject to tax under this subchapter for its last 48 49 50 taxable year beginning before January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN 51 if such corporation would have been subject to tax under this subchapter 52 for such taxable year if it had been a taxpayer during such taxable 53 year.
 - (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section other than subdivision (m) of this section, a corporation formed on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first,

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two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN may elect to be subject to tax under this subchapter or under subchapter two of this chapter for its first taxable 3 beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN in which either (i) 5 sixty-five percent or more of its voting stock is owned or controlled, 6 directly or indirectly by a financial holding company, provided the 7 corporation whose voting stock is so owned or controlled is principally 8 engaged in activities that are described in section 4(k)(4) or 4(k)(5)the federal bank holding company act of nineteen hundred fifty-six, 9 10 as amended and the regulations promulgated pursuant to the authority of 11 such section or (ii) it is a financial subsidiary. An election under this paragraph may not be made by a corporation described in paragraphs 12 one through eight of subdivision (a) of this section or in subdivision 13 14 (e) of this section. In addition, an election under this paragraph may 15 be made by a corporation that is a party to a reorganization, as 16 defined in subsection (a) of section 368 of the internal revenue code of 17 1986, as amended, of a corporation described in paragraph one 18 subdivision if both corporations were sixty-five percent or more owned 19 or controlled, directly or indirectly by the same interests at the time 20 of the reorganization. 21

An election under this paragraph must be made by the taxpayer on or before the due date for filing its return (determined with regard to extensions of time for filing) for the applicable taxable year. The election to be taxed under subchapter two of this chapter shall be made by the taxpayer by filing the return required pursuant to subdivision one of section 11-605 of this chapter and the election to be taxed under this subchapter shall be made by the taxpayer by filing the return required pursuant to subdivision (a) of section 11-646 of this part. Any election made pursuant to this paragraph shall be irrevocable and shall apply to each subsequent taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, provided that the stock ownership and activities requirements described in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph are met or such corporation described in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph continues as a financial subsidiary.

- S 6. Subparagraph (iv) of paragraph 2 of subdivision (f) of section 1462 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 24 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- (A) Notwithstanding any provision of this paragraph, any bank holding company exercising its corporate franchise or doing business in the state may make a return on a combined basis without seeking the permission of the commissioner with any banking corporation exercising its corporate franchise or doing business in the state in a corporate or organized capacity sixty-five percent or more of whose voting stock is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank holding company, for the first taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN during which such bank holding company registers for the first time under the federal bank holding company act, as amended, and also elects to be a financial holding company. In addition, for each subsequent taxable year beginning after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, any such bank holding company may file a combined basis without seeking the permission of the commissioner with any banking corporation that is exercising its corporate franchise doing business in the state and sixty-five percent or more of whose voting stock is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by

bank holding company if either such banking corporation is exercising its corporate franchise or doing business in the state in a corporate or organized capacity for the first time during such subsequent year, or sixty-five percent or more of the voting stock of such banking corporation is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank holding company for the first time during such subsequent taxable year. Provided however, for each subsequent taxable year beginning after Janu-ary first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, a banking corporation described in either of the two preceding sentences which filed on a combined basis with any such bank holding company in a previous taxable year, must continue to file on a combined basis with such bank holding company if such banking corporation, during such subsequent taxable year, continues to exercise its corporate fran-chise or do business in the state in a corporate or organized capacity and sixty-five percent or more of such banking corporation's voting stock continues to be owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank holding company, unless the permission of the commissioner has been obtained to file on a separate basis for such subsequent taxable year. Provided further, however, for each subsequent taxable year beginning after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, a banking corporation described in either of the first two sentences of this clause which did not file on a combined basis with any such bank holding company in a previous taxable year, may file on a combined basis with such bank holding company during any such subsequent taxable year unless the permission of the commissioner has been obtained to file on a combined basis for such subsequent taxa-ble year.

- (B) Notwithstanding any provision of this paragraph other than clause (A) of this subparagraph, the commissioner may not require a bank holding company which, during a taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, registers for the first time during such taxable year under the federal bank holding company act, as amended, and also elects to be a financial holding company, to make a return on a combined basis for any taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN with a banking corporation sixty-five percent or more of whose voting stock is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank holding company.
- S 7. Subparagraph (iv) of paragraph 2 of subdivision (f) of section 11-646 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 24 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- (iv) (A) Notwithstanding any provision of this paragraph, any bank holding company exercising its corporate franchise or doing business in the city may make a return on a combined basis without seeking the permission of the commissioner with any banking corporation exercising its corporate franchise or doing business in the city in a corporate or organized capacity sixty-five percent or more of whose voting stock is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank holding company, for the first taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN during which such bank holding company registers for the first time under the federal bank holding company act, as amended, and also elects to be a financial holding company. In addition, for each subsequent taxable year beginning after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, any such bank holding company may file on a combined basis without seeking the permission of the commissioner

with any banking corporation that is exercising its corporate franchise doing business in the city and sixty-five percent or more of whose 3 voting stock is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, bank holding company if either such banking corporation is exercising 5 its corporate franchise or doing business in the city in a corporate or 6 organized capacity for the first time during such subsequent taxable 7 year, or sixty-five percent or more of the voting stock of such banking corporation is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank 8 9 holding company for the first time during such subsequent taxable year. 10 Provided however, for each subsequent taxable year beginning after Janu-11 ary first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, a banking corporation described in either of the two preceding 12 sentences which filed on a combined basis with any such bank holding 13 14 company in a previous taxable year, must continue to file on a 15 basis with such bank holding company if such banking corporation, during 16 such subsequent taxable year, continues to exercise its corporate fran-17 chise or do business in the city in a corporate or organized capacity 18 sixty-five percent or more of such banking corporation's voting stock continues to be owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank holding company, unless the permission of the commissioner has 19 20 21 been obtained to file on a separate basis for such subsequent taxable 22 year. Provided further, however, for each subsequent taxable year begin-23 ning after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, a banking corporation described in either of 24 25 first two sentences of this clause which did not file on a combined basis with any such bank holding company in a previous taxable year, may 26 not file on a combined basis with such bank holding company during 27 such subsequent taxable year unless the permission of the commissioner 28 has been obtained to file on a combined basis for such subsequent taxa-29 30 ble year. 31

(B) Notwithstanding any provision of this paragraph other than clause (A) of this subparagraph, the commissioner may not require a bank holding company which, during a taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN, registers for the first time during such taxable year under the federal bank holding company act, as amended, and also elects to be a financial holding company, to make a return on a combined basis for any taxable year beginning on or after January first, two thousand and before January first, two thousand [eleven] THIRTEEN with a banking corporation sixty-five percent or more of whose voting stock is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such bank holding company.

S 8. This act shall take effect immediately.

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