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Introduced by M. of A. ENGLEBRIGHT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to authorizing the lease of the caretaker's house and garage within the Buttermilk Falls state park

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2-d of section 3.09 of the parks, recreation 2 and historic preservation law, as amended by chapter 541 of the laws of 3 2003, is amended to read as follows:

4 2-d. Be empowered, in addition to any other provision of law authoriz-5 ing the leasing or licensing of property under its jurisdiction, to 6 encourage investment by the private sector for the provision of equip-7 ment and capital improvements at historic sites, state park and recre-8 ation facilities by entering into lease or license agreements for an 9 extended term not to exceed forty years at the following: in the first park region, for services provided at the observation tower, and for 10 buildings and structures commonly known as the Cave of the Winds build-11 ing, the Top of the Falls Restaurant, the administration building, 12 the 13 visitor center, the Goat Island center, the snack bar at the Cave of the Winds, the current police building, the original Prospect Point elevator 14 15 building, the lower landing snack bar and the Schoellkopf Museum, 16 including improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant thereto 17 Niagara Reservation State Park, the site of the former casino, the at 18 former commission house and the eighty-slip boat marina within the boundaries of Beaver Island state park and the structures known as the navy 19 barracks, the post theater, the officers' club and the commandant's 20 house within Fort Niagara state park, and the buildings and structures 21 22 Deveaux Woods state park; in the second park region, the building at 23 known as Minturn Mansion within Long Point on Lake Chautauqua state 24 in the third park region, for buildings and structures commonly park;

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

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1 known as the Glen Iris Inn, the Pioneer Museum, the Pinewood Lodge, the 2 Prospect house, the Lauterbrunnen house, the Lower Falls restaurant 3 building, the pool concession stands, the North Entrance visitor center, 4 the administration building, the Commission house and the Stone build-5 ing, including improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant 6 at Letchworth State park; IN THE FOURTH PARK REGION, THE STRUCthereto 7 TURES KNOWN AS THE CARETAKER'S HOUSE AND GARAGE WITHIN THE BUTTERMILK 8 FALLS STATE PARK; in the seventh park region, the structure known as the brick cottage and associated outbuildings at John Jay Homestead state 9 10 historic site, the structure known as the Hoyt House and the barns at Oqden Mills and Ruth Livingston Mills state park, the outbuildings at 11 12 Olana state historic site and the building commonly known as the Staats-13 burg School in Margaret Lewis Norrie state park; in the eighth park 14 region, for buildings and structures commonly known as the Bear Mountain 15 Inn, the A. K. Morgan Overlook Lodge, the Cliff house, the Hilltop lodge, the Summit lodge, the Echo lodge, the Beaver lodge and the Spring 16 17 lodge, including improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant 18 thereto at Bear Mountain State Park; in the ninth park region, the 19 Boardwalk Restaurant at Jones Beach state park and the buildings and 20 structures at [Nissequoque] NISSEQUOGUE state park; in the eleventh park 21 region, the structure known as La Tour house, the former bottling plant 22 and dormitory for adaptive reuse, and property for the development of a 23 golf course and related facilities within Saratoga Spa state park. Any 24 such lease or license may provide for reasonable rights of access, util-25 ities and parking located within the boundaries of the respective park 26 or historic site. Such extended term shall be for the purpose of assur-27 ing a lessee or licensee adequate protection against loss of investments 28 in developing, renovating, improving, furnishing and equipping such 29 properties, and the length of the term of any such lease or license shall have a direct relationship to the period required to amortize the 30 investment. Any such lease or license shall be entered into only after a 31 32 finding by the commissioner that such action is compatible with public 33 enjoyment and participation in adjacent park facilities, and in the case of structures listed on or eligible for the state register of historic 34 35 places, that such lease or license will encourage investment by the private sector in restoring, preserving and maintaining such properties. 36 37 In addition, such lease or license shall contain terms and conditions as 38 the commissioner shall deem necessary to address environmental concerns, 39 including any historic and recreational resources of such property; the 40 compatible uses of adjacent park lands and facilities; and otherwise to protect the public interest. The bid prospectus submitted to prospective 41 bidders shall contain specific information concerning the nature of the 42 43 improvements or equipment to be provided by the successful capital 44 bidder. Revenues from the lease or license of property pursuant to this 45 section shall be deposited into the state park infrastructure fund established pursuant to section ninety-seven-mm of the state finance 46 47 law. 48 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.