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IN ASSEMBLY

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

AN ACT to amend the canal law and the public authorities law, in relation to local waterfront revitalization plans and programs

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

Section 1. Paragraphs a and c of subdivision 1 of section 138-a of the canal law, as amended by chapter 243 of the laws of 1993, are amended to read as follows:

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- a. the chairman of the authority, the commissioner of transportation, the commissioner of the office of parks, recreation and historic preservation [and], the commissioner of environmental conservation AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE, or their representatives;
- c. the commissioner of economic development [and the secretary of state,] or [their representatives] HIS OR HER REPRESENTATIVE, and a member from each of the regional planning boards, as established by articles five-G and twelve-B of the general municipal law, whose region is intersected by the canal shall be ex-officio, non-voting members of the commission and shall provide technical expertise and advice to the commission as necessary.
- S 2. Subdivision 4 of section 138-b of the canal law, as amended by chapter 335 of the laws of 2001, is amended and a new subdivision 8 is added to read as follows:
- 4. If deemed appropriate, request that studies, surveys or analyses be performed by the corporation, the departments of transportation, economic development [and], environmental conservation, STATE and/or the office of parks, recreation and historic preservation to assist in the development, promotion, marketing and/or preservation of the canal system or the preparation of the plan. At the request of the commission, state agencies and public authorities shall cooperate fully and shall provide requested information in a timely manner.

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

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8. ENCOURAGE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PREPARE LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAMS AND PLANS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE FORTY-TWO OF THE EXECUTIVE LAW FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFINING THE STATEWIDE CANAL RECREATIONWAY PLAN. SUCH ENCOURAGEMENT MAY INCLUDE THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT SUCH PLANS AND PROGRAMS.

- S 3. Subdivision 1 of section 384 of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:
- (C) THE AUTHORITY IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNDERTAKING THE PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PLANS AND PROGRAMS.
- 11 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.