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AN ACT to amend the eminent domain procedure law, in relation to an expedited process for certain buildings

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

1     Section 1. Section 201 of the eminent domain procedure law, as amended  
2     by chapter 356 of the laws of 1982, is amended to read as follows:  
3     S 201. Public hearings. Except as provided herein, prior to acquisition,  
4     the condemnor, in order to inform the public and to review the  
5     public use to be served by a proposed public project and the impact on  
6     the environment and residents of the locality where such project will be  
7     constructed, shall conduct a public hearing in accordance with the  
8     provisions of this article at a location reasonably proximate to the  
9     property which may be acquired for such project. NO HEARING SHALL BE  
10    REQUIRED FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A BUILDING THAT HAS BEEN BUILT WITH  
11    PUBLIC FUNDS OR THAT HAS BEEN SOLELY OCCUPIED BY A PUBLIC ENTITY OR  
12    PUBLIC BENEFIT ORGANIZATION FOR THE PAST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.  
13    S 2. Subdivision (A) of section 204 of the eminent domain procedure  
14    law, as amended by chapter 356 of the laws of 1982, is amended to read  
15    as follows:  
16    (A) The condemnor, within ninety days after the conclusion of the  
17    public hearings held pursuant to this article, OR IMMEDIATELY FOR ANY  
18    BUILDING BUILT OR OCCUPIED BY A PUBLIC ENTITY OR PUBLIC BENEFIT ORGAN-  
19    IZATION AS STATED IN SECTION TWO HUNDRED ONE OF THIS ARTICLE, shall make  
20    its determination and findings concerning the proposed public project  
21    and shall publish a brief synopsis of such determination and findings in  
22    at least two successive issues of an official newspaper if there is one  
23    designated in the locality where the project will be situated and in at  
24    least two successive issues of a newspaper of general circulation in  
25    such locality. If the official newspaper is one of general circulation  
26    in such locality, publication therein as specified shall be deemed  
27    sufficient compliance. The synopsis shall include those factors set  
28    forth in subdivision (B) herein, and shall also state that copies of the

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

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1 determination and findings will be forwarded upon written request with-  
2 out cost.

3 S 3. Section 206 of the eminent domain procedure law is amended by  
4 adding a new subdivision (F) to read as follows:

5 (F) WHEN THE BUILDING SOUGHT TO BE ACQUIRED HAS BEEN BUILT WITH PUBLIC  
6 FUNDS OR HAS BEEN SOLELY OCCUPIED BY A PUBLIC ENTITY OR PUBLIC BENEFIT  
7 ORGANIZATION FOR THE PAST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

8 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.