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Introduced by M. of A. FAHY, ROZIC, MILLMAN, SKARTADOS, GABRYSZAK, RAIA, MONTESANO, LUPINACCI -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. COOK, GIBSON, GLICK, McDONALD, McLAUGHLIN, SEPULVEDA, THIELE, WEISENBERG -- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, the state finance law and the tax law, in relation to transfers from the environmental protection fund to the general fund

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 54-0109 of the environmental conservation law is 2 amended by adding a new closing paragraph to read as follows:
 - IN ADDITION, THE DIVISION OF THE BUDGET, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE COMPTROLLER, SHALL DEVELOP A COURSE OF ACTION FOR THE REPAYMENT OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS OF MONIES TRANSFERRED FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND. SUCH COURSE OF ACTION SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT.

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- S 2. Section 92-s of the state finance law is amended by adding a new subdivision 10 to read as follows:
- 10. NO LATER THAN APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN, DEPOSITS SHALL BE COMMENCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COURSE OF ACTION SET FORTH IN SECTION SET FORTH IN SECTION 12 54-0109 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW AND CONCLUDE BY APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY, FOR PAST TRANSFERS MADE FROM THE ENVIRON-14 MENTAL PROTECTION FUND INTO THE GENERAL FUND.
- 15 S 3. Subdivision 9 of section 92-s of the state finance law, as 16 amended by section 1 of part B of chapter 59 of the laws of 2008, is 17 amended to read as follows:
- 9. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary and in accordance with section four of this chapter, the comptroller is hereby authorized at the direction of the director of the division of the budget to transfer moneys from the general fund to the environmental protection fund for the purpose of maintaining the solvency of the environmental

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

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protection fund. If, in any fiscal year, moneys in the environmental protection fund are deemed insufficient by the director of the division 3 the budget to meet actual and anticipated disbursements from enacted appropriations or reappropriations made pursuant to this section, the 5 comptroller shall at the direction of the director of the division of 6 transfer from the general fund to the environmental the budget, 7 protection fund moneys sufficient to meet such disbursements. 8 transfers shall be made only upon certification of need by the director of the division of the budget, with copies of such certification filed 9 10 with the chairperson of the senate finance committee, the chairperson of 11 the assembly ways and means committee and the state comptroller. The 12 aggregate amount of all transfers shall not exceed [four hundred fortyseven] FIVE HUNDRED SEVEN million one hundred seventy-one thousand 13 14 dollars. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE TERM INSUFFICIENT 15 THATTHERE IS NOT AN ADEQUATE CASH BALANCE TO FINANCE ALL 16 CURRENT FISCAL YEAR APPROPRIATIONS AND ANY OUTSTANDING PRIOR YEAR OBLI-17 GATIONS.

S 4. Section 1421 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 99 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

19 20 S 1421. Deposit and dispositions of revenues. From the taxes, interest 21 penalties attributable to the tax imposed pursuant to section four-22 teen hundred two of this article, the amount of one hundred ninety-nine 23 million three hundred thousand dollars shall be deposited by the comptroller in the environmental protection fund established pursuant to 24 25 section ninety-two-s of the state finance law for the fiscal year begin-26 ning April first, two thousand nine; the amount of one hundred nineteen 27 million one hundred thousand dollars shall be deposited in such fund for the fiscal year beginning April first, two thousand ten; THE 28 29 HUNDRED FORTY-NINE MILLION DOLLARS SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN SUCH FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN; 30 THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE MILLION DOLLARS SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN 31 32 SUCH FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND 33 FIFTEEN; THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED NINE MILLION DOLLARS SHALL BE 34 SUCH FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING APRIL FIRST, TWO THOU-35 TWO HUNDRED SAND SIXTEEN; THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-NINE MILLION DOLLARS IN SUCH FUND FOR FOUR FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING APRIL 36 DEPOSITED 37 FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN; AND THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO 38 MILLION DOLLARS SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN SUCH FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 39 BEGINNING APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND EIGHTEEN; and for each fiscal year 40 thereafter. On or before June twelfth, nineteen hundred ninety-five and or before the twelfth day of each month thereafter (excepting the 41 first and second months of each fiscal year), the comptroller shall deposit into such fund from the taxes, interest and penalties collected 42 43 pursuant to such section fourteen hundred two of this article which have 45 been deposited and remain to the comptroller's credit in the banks, banking houses or trust companies referred to in section one hundred 46 47 seventy-one-a of this chapter at the close of business on the last 48 the preceding month, an amount equal to one-tenth of the annual amount required to be deposited in such fund pursuant to this section 49 50 for the fiscal year in which such deposit is required to be made. In the event such amount of taxes, interest and penalties so remaining to the 51 comptroller's credit is less than the amount required to be deposited in 52 53 such fund by the comptroller, an amount equal to the shortfall shall be 54 deposited in such fund by the comptroller with subsequent deposits, as 55 soon as the revenue is available. Beginning April first, nineteen hundred ninety-seven, the comptroller shall transfer monthly to the 56

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clean water/clean air fund established pursuant to section ninety-seven-bbb of the state finance law, all moneys remaining from such taxes, interest and penalties collected that are not required for deposit in the environmental protection fund.

S 5. This act shall take effect April 1, 2014; provided, however, if this act shall become a law after such date it shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and

after April 1, 2014.

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