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Introduced by Sens. LITTLE, MAZIARZ -- (at request of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to leasing and licensing of property; and to repeal subdivision 2-g of section 3.09 of such law relating to leases and licensing to the city school district of the city of Niagara Falls

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2-d of section 3.09 of the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, as amended by chapter 263 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

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2-d. Be empowered, in addition to any other provision of law authorizing the leasing or licensing of property under its jurisdiction, to encourage investment by the private sector for the provision of equipment and capital improvements at historic sites, state park and recreation facilities by entering into lease or license agreements for an extended term not to exceed forty years at the following: in the first park region, for services provided at the observation tower, and for buildings and structures commonly known as the Cave of the Winds building, the Top of the Falls Restaurant, the administration building, the visitor center, the Goat Island center, the snack bar at the Cave of the Winds, the current police building, the original Prospect Point elevator building, the lower landing snack bar and the Schoellkopf Museum, including improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant thereto at Niagara Reservation State Park, the site of the former casino, former commission house and the eighty-slip boat marina within the boundaries of Beaver Island state park and the structures known as the navy

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

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barracks, the post theater, the officers' club and the commandant's house within Fort Niagara state park, buildings and structures at 3 Deveaux Woods state park, and buildings and facilities within Knox state park; in the second park region, the building known as Minturn 5 Mansion within Long Point on Lake Chautauqua state park; in the third 6 park region, for buildings and structures commonly known as the Glen 7 Iris Inn, the Pioneer Museum, the Pinewood Lodge, the Prospect house, 8 the Lauterbrunnen house, the Lower Falls restaurant building, the pool concession stands, the North Entrance visitor center, the administration 9 the Commission house and the Stone building, including 10 building, 11 improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant thereto at Letchworth State park; in the fourth park region, the structures known as the 12 caretaker's house and garage within the Buttermilk Falls state park; 13 park region, the structure known as the brick cottage and 14 seventh 15 associated outbuildings at John Jay Homestead state historic site, 16 structure known as the Hoyt House and the barns at Ogden Mills and Ruth 17 Livingston Mills state park, the outbuildings at Olana state historic 18 site and the building commonly known as the Staatsburg School in Margaret Lewis Norrie state park; in the eighth park region, for buildings and 19 20 structures commonly known as the Bear Mountain Inn, the A. K. Morgan 21 Overlook Lodge, the Cliff house, the Hilltop lodge, the Summit lodge, 22 Echo lodge, the Beaver lodge and the Spring lodge, including improvements to structures and facilities appurtenant thereto at Bear 23 Mountain State Park; in the ninth park region, THE CLUBHOUSE AND TENNIS 24 25 FACILITY AT BETHPAGE STATE PARK, THE WINTER COTTAGE AND MAIN HOUSE AT 26 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVE, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES 27 LOCATION OF THE AQUATIC COMPLEX AND CAMPGROUND AT HECKSCHER STATE PARK, 28 the Boardwalk Restaurant at Jones Beach state park and the buildings and 29 structures at Nissequoque state park; in the eleventh park region, the 30 structure known as La Tour house, the former bottling plant and dormitory for adaptive reuse, and property for the development of a golf course 31 32 and related facilities within Saratoga Spa state park; IN THE TWELFTH 33 BAYSWATER SUNSET LODGE AT BAYSWATER POINT STATE PARK. PARK REGION THE 34 Any such lease or license may provide for reasonable rights of utilities and parking located within the boundaries of the respective 35 park or historic site. Such extended term shall be for the purpose of 36 37 assuring a lessee or licensee adequate protection against loss of 38 investments in developing, renovating, improving, furnishing and equipsuch properties, and the length of the term of any such lease or 39 40 license shall have a direct relationship to the period required to amortize the investment. Any such lease or license shall be entered into 41 only after a finding by the commissioner that such action is compatible 42 43 with public enjoyment and participation in adjacent park facilities, and in the case of structures listed on or eligible for the state register 45 of historic places, that such lease or license will encourage investment the private sector in restoring, preserving and maintaining such 46 47 properties. In addition, such lease or license shall contain terms 48 conditions as the commissioner shall deem necessary to address environ-49 mental concerns, including any historic and recreational resources of 50 such property; the compatible uses of adjacent park lands and facili-51 ties; and otherwise to protect the public interest. The bid prospectus 52 submitted to prospective bidders shall contain specific information concerning the nature of the capital improvements or equipment to be 53 54 provided by the successful bidder. Revenues from the lease or license of property pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the state park

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l infrastructure fund established pursuant to section ninety-seven-mm of the state finance law.

- 3 S 2. Subdivision 2-g of section 3.09 of the parks, recreation and 4 historic preservation law is REPEALED.
- 5 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.