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Introduced by Sen. MARTINS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

AN ACT to amend the town law, in relation to the date of public hearings by improvement district commissioners in the year 2013

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

Section 1. Subdivision 9-a of section 215 of the town law, as added by chapter 421 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

9-a. Shall annually prepare an estimate of proposed expenditures for and revenues of such district for the year beginning with the next succeeding January [fist] FIRST. Such estimate shall specify by item all proposed expenditures for general purposes, including expert and professional services, and for debt service. Such estimate may contain for contingent purposes, an amount not to exceed ten per centum of the amount estimated as necessary to meet the expense of maintaining the improvement exclusive of the amount necessary to pay debt service and judgments. The board of commissioners shall conduct a public hearing on such estimate on the first Thursday following the first Tuesday of September, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR TWO THOUSAND THIRTEEN ON THE SECOND THURSDAY FOLLOWING THE FIRST TUESDAY OF SEPTEMBER or, in Westchester and Monroe counties, the first Thursday following the first Tuesday of October. Notice of such hearing shall be published at least once in the official newspaper of the town wherein such district is located, or if no official newspaper has been designated by the town, in any newspaper having general circulation in the district. The notice may be published in such other newspapers as the board of commissioners may direct. The notice of hearing shall be published not more than twenty nor less than five days prior to the day specified for the hearing. The notice of hearing shall state the time when and the place where the public hearing will be held, the purpose thereof, and that a copy of the estimate of proposed expenditures for and revenues of such district for the year

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

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beginning with the succeeding first day of January is available for public inspection at specified times and at a specified public place. After the public hearing, the board of commissioners of an improvement district may change, alter and revise such estimate prior to filing with the budget officer. Notice of such public hearing shall also be posted on the websites of the district and the town in which the district is located, provided such websites are maintained, on the signboard of the town and conspicuously posted in three or more designated public locations within the district, on or about the day on which such notice is published.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.