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Introduced by M. of A. KOLB, OAKS, GOODELL, RAIA, PALMESANO, LUPINACCI -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. DiPIETRO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to establishing the Hire-NY tax credit (Part A); to amend the tax law, in relation to a small business tax credit (Part B); to amend the tax law, in relation to eliminating the corporate franchise and personal income tax on manufacturers (Part C); to amend the canal law, the highway law, the public authorities law, the tax law, the vehicle and traffic law, and the state finance law, in relation to making technical changes relating thereto; to repeal article 21 and subdivision (b) of section 524 of the tax law relating to highway use tax; and to repeal certain provisions of the state finance law relating thereto (Part D)

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

Section 1. This act enacts into law components of legislation relating to "Work-NY". Each component is wholly contained within a Part identified as Parts A through D. The effective date for each particular provision contained within such Part is set forth in the last section of 5 such Part. Any provision in any section contained within a Part, including the effective date of the Part, which makes reference to a section 6 "of this act", when used in connection with that particular component, 7 8 shall be deemed to mean and refer to the corresponding section of the 9 Part in which it is found. Section three of this act sets forth the 10 general effective date of this act.

11 PART A

12 Section 1. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 42 to read 13 as follows:

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

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HIRE-NY TAX CREDIT. (A) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT. A TAXPAYER, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO TAX UNDER ARTICLE NINE-A OR TWENTY-TWO OF THIS CHAPTER AND WHICH CREATES A NEW JOB, SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST SUCH TAX. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE EQUAL PRODUCT OF 6.85 PERCENT AND THE GROSS WAGES PAID FOR EACH NEW EMPLOYEE. THE CREDIT SHALL NOT BE MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ANY EMPLOYEE FOR ONE FULL YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT; IF A NEW EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN HIRED FOR LESS THAN A FULL TAX YEAR THIS AMOUNT SHALL BE PRORATED AND APPORTIONED TO EACH TAX YEAR BUT SHALL IN NO WAY DECREASE THE FULL THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF CREDIT ELIGIBILITY. THE TAXPAYER MAY CLAIM THIS CREDIT FOR EACH NEW EMPLOYEE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF EMPLOYMENT. THE TAXPAYER MAY OFFSET QUARTERLY ESTIMATED TAX RETURNS WITH THE AMOUNT OF THIS CREDIT EARNED IN ANY PREVIOUS QUARTER.

- (B) UNEMPLOYMENT ENHANCEMENT. FOR CALENDAR YEARS TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN AND TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN IF A NEW EMPLOYEE WAS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS AT THE TIME OF HIRE, AN ADDITIONAL THREE THOUSAND DOLLAR CREDIT WILL BE ALLOWED FOR THE FIRST FULL YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT.
- (C) DEFINITIONS. AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:
- (1) "NEW EMPLOYEE" SHALL MEAN ANY FULL TIME EMPLOYEE THAT CAUSES THE TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES TO INCREASE ABOVE BASE EMPLOYMENT OR CREDIT EMPLOYMENT, WHICHEVER IS HIGHER.
 - (2) "BASE YEAR" SHALL MEAN CALENDAR YEAR TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN.
- (3) "BASE EMPLOYMENT" SHALL MEAN THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF FULL TIME EMPLOYEES OR FULL TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES DURING THE BASE YEAR. FOR A NEW BUSINESS, BASE EMPLOYMENT SHALL BEGIN AT ZERO.
- (4) "CREDIT EMPLOYMENT" SHALL MEAN BASE EMPLOYMENT PLUS THE NUMBER OF NEW EMPLOYEES FOR WHICH A CREDIT IS EARNED FOR THE PRIOR TAX YEARS.
- (D) REPLACEMENT EMPLOYEES. IF A NEW EMPLOYEE FOR WHICH A CREDIT WAS EARNED LEAVES THE PAYROLL AND AN EMPLOYEE IS HIRED WHICH BRINGS TOTAL EMPLOYMENT ABOVE BASE EMPLOYMENT BUT AT OR BELOW CREDIT EMPLOYMENT LEVEL, THE CREDIT ELIGIBILITY PERIOD FOR SUCH EMPLOYEE SHALL BE THREE YEARS MINUS THE AMOUNT OF TIME (ROUNDED TO THE NEXT FULL MONTH) THE EMPLOYER RECEIVED THE CREDIT FOR THE DEPARTING EMPLOYEE.
- (E) NO CREDIT SHALL BE ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION TO A TAXPAYER FOR ANY NEW EMPLOYEE IF THE TAXPAYER CLAIMS ANY OTHER CREDIT UNDER THIS ARTICLE FOR SUCH NEW EMPLOYEE WHERE THE BASIS OF SUCH OTHER CREDIT IS AN INCREASE IN EMPLOYMENT.
- S 2. Section 210-B of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision 49 to read as follows:
- 49. HIRE-NY TAX CREDIT. (A) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT. A TAXPAYER WILL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT, TO BE COMPUTED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION FORTY-TWO OF THIS CHAPTER, AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE.
- (B) APPLICATION OF CREDIT. THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR MAY NOT REDUCE THE TAX DUE FOR SUCH YEAR TO LESS THAN THE AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (D) OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED TEN OF THIS ARTICLE. HOWEVER, IF THE AMOUNT OF CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR REDUCES THE TAX TO SUCH AMOUNT, ANY AMOUNT OF CREDIT THUS NOT DEDUCTIBLE IN SUCH TAXABLE YEAR WILL BE TREATED AS AN OVERPAYMENT OF TAX TO BE CREDITED OR REFUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION ONE THOUSAND EIGHTY-SIX OF THIS CHAPTER. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (C) OF SECTION ONE THOUSAND EIGHTY-EIGHT OF THIS CHAPTER NOTWITHSTANDING, NO INTEREST WILL BE PAID THEREON.
- S 3. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection (ccc) to read as follows:

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(CCC) HIRE-NY TAX CREDIT. (1) A TAXPAYER WILL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT, EXTENT ALLOWED UNDER SECTION FORTY-TWO OF THIS CHAPTER, AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE.

- IF THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR SHALL EXCEED THE TAXPAYER'S TAX FOR SUCH YEAR, SHALL BE TREATED AS AN OVERPAYMENT OF TAX TO BE CREDITED OR REFUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX OF THIS ARTICLE, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO INTEREST SHALL BE PAID THEREON.
- S 4. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (i) of section 606 9 10 the tax law is amended by adding a new clause (xli) to read as 11 follows:

12 (XLI) HIRE-NY TAX CREDIT AMOUNT OF CREDIT UNDER UNDER SUBSECTION (CCC) 13 SUBDIVISION FORTY-NINE OF SECTION 14 TWO HUNDRED TEN-B

15 S 5. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable 16 years beginning on or after January 1, 2015.

17 PART B

Section 1. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new 18 subsection (ddd) to read as follows: 19

SMALL BUSINESS TAX CREDIT. (1) GENERAL. A QUALIFIED TAXPAYER SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE EQUAL TO SIX AND SIXTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS PERCENT OF QUALIFIED BUSINESS INCOME.

- (2) DEFINITIONS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE TERMS:
- "QUALIFIED TAXPAYER" SHALL MEAN A SMALL BUSINESS AS DEFINED BY SECTION ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LAW HAS NET BUSINESS INCOME OF LESS THAN TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (B) "OUALIFIED BUSINESS INCOME" SHALL MEAN TEN PERCENT OF THE BUSINESS INCOME OF THE TAXPAYER AS DEFINED IN THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.
- IF THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR SHALL EXCEED THE TAXPAYER'S TAX FOR SUCH YEAR, THE **EXCESS** SHALL BE TREATED AS AN OVERPAYMENT OF TAX TO BE CREDITED OR REFUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX OF THIS ARTICLE, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, NO INTEREST SHALL BE PAID THEREON.
- S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable 34 years beginning on or after January 1, 2015.

36 PART C

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 210 of the tax law, as amended by section 12 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Capital base. (1) The amount prescribed by this paragraph shall be 41 computed at .15 percent for each dollar of the taxpayer's total business capital, or the portion thereof allocated within the state as hereinaftprovided for taxable years beginning before January first, two thou-44 sand sixteen. However, in the case of a cooperative housing corporation defined in the internal revenue code, the applicable rate shall be .04 percent until taxable years beginning on or after January first, two 47 thousand twenty. The rate of tax for subsequent tax years shall be as follows: .125 percent for taxable years beginning on or after January 48 first, two thousand sixteen and before January first, two thousand 49 50 seventeen; .100 percent for taxable years beginning on or after January 51 first, two thousand seventeen and before January first, two thousand 52 eighteen; .075 percent for taxable years beginning on or after January

first, two thousand eighteen and before January first, two thousand nineteen; .050 percent for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand nineteen and before January first, two thousand twenty; .025 percent for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand twenty and before January first, two thousand twenty-one; and zero percent for years beginning on or after January first, 7 two thousand twenty-one. The rate of tax for a qualified New York manufacturer for tax years [subsequent to taxable years] beginning on or after January first, two thousand fifteen [and before January first, two 9 10 thousand sixteen] shall be [.106] ZERO percent [for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand sixteen and before January 11 first, two thousand seventeen, .085 percent for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand seventeen and before January 12 13 14 first, two thousand eighteen; .056 percent for taxable years beginning or after January first, two thousand eighteen and before January first, two thousand nineteen; .038 percent for taxable years beginning 16 17 or after January first, two thousand nineteen and before January first, thousand twenty; .019 percent for taxable years beginning on or 18 19 after January first, two thousand twenty and before January first, two thousand twenty-one; and zero percent for years beginning on or after 20 21 January first, two thousand twenty-one. In no event shall the amount 22 prescribed by this paragraph exceed three hundred fifty thousand dollars 23 for qualified New York manufacturers and for all other taxpayers five 24 million dollars].

25 S 2. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 1 of section 210 of the tax law, as 26 amended by section 12 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is 27 amended to read as follows:

28 (d) Fixed dollar minimum. (1) The amount prescribed by this paragraph 29 for New York S corporations will be determined in accordance with the 30 following table:

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   If New York receipts are:
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39 Provided further, the amount prescribed by this paragraph for a quali-40 fied New York manufacturer, as defined in subparagraph (vi) of paragraph

41 (a) of this subdivision, and a qualified emerging technology company

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44 limitation expressed in subparagraph one of such paragraph (c) will be

45 determined in accordance with the following tables:

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50 51 For purposes of this paragraph, New York receipts are the receipts included in the numerator of the apportionment factor determined under section two hundred ten-A for the taxable year.

- (2) If the taxable year is less than twelve months, the amount of New York receipts is determined by dividing the amount of the receipts for the taxable year by the number of months in the taxable year and multiplying the result by twelve. In the case of a termination year of a New York S corporation, the sum of the tax computed under this paragraph for the S short year and for the C short year shall not be less than the amount computed under this paragraph as if the corporation were a New York C corporation for the entire taxable year.
- S 3. Subsection (i) of section 601 of the tax law is relettered subsection (j) and a new subsection (i) is added to read as follows:
- (I) MANUFACTURERS. NOTWITHSTANDING THIS OR ANY OTHER SECTION OF ARTICLE, A PERSON'S LIABILITY FOR TAX UNDER THIS SECTION, IF SUCH PERSON'S PRIMARY ACTIVITY IS IN HIS OR HER ROLE AS A MANUFACTURER, SHALL BE ZERO FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOU-SAND FIFTEEN. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION A PERSON SHALL BE CLASSIFIED AS A MANUFACTURER IF, HE OR SHE IS PRINCIPALLY ENGAGED IN THE PRODUCTION GOODS BY MANUFACTURING, PROCESSING, ASSEMBLING, REFINING, MINING, EXTRACTING, FARMING, AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE, FLORICULTURE, OR COMMERCIAL FISHING. IN ADDITION, FOR PURPOSES OF COMPUTING THE CAPITAL BASE IN A COMBINED REPORT, THE GROUP SHALL BE CONSIDERED A MANUFACTURER FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, ONLY IF THE COMBINED GROUP DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR IS PRINCIPALLY ENGAGED IN THE ACTIVITIES THIS SUBSECTION, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, A TAXPAYER IS "PRINCIPALLY ENGAGED" IN THE DESCRIBED IF, DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR, MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT OF THE GROSS RECEIPTS OF THE TAXPAYER ARE DERIVED FROM RECEIPTS FROM ACTIVITIES COVERED BY THIS SUBSECTION.
- 31 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

32 PART D

33 Section 1. Article 21 of the tax law is REPEALED.

S 2. Paragraph (e) of subdivision 7 of section 30 of the canal law, as amended by chapter 335 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows:

- (e) No such certificate authorizing or approving the first partial payment or any final payment to a foreign contractor shall be made unless such contractor shall furnish satisfactory proof that all taxes due the commissioner of taxation and finance by such contractor under the provisions of or pursuant to a law enacted pursuant to the authority of article nine, nine-A, twelve-A, [twenty-one,] twenty-two, twenty-eight, twenty-nine or thirty of the tax law have been paid. The certificate of the commissioner of taxation and finance to the effect that all such taxes have been paid shall be, for purpose of this paragraph, conclusive proof of the payment of such taxes. The term "foreign contractor" as used in this subdivision means, in the case of an individual, a person who is not a resident of this state, in the case of a partnership, one having one or more partners not a resident of this state, and in the case of a corporation, one not organized under the laws of this state.
- S 3. Paragraph (e) of subdivision 7 of section 38 of the highway law, as amended by chapter 196 of the laws of 1981 and as relettered by chapter 153 of the laws of 1984, is amended to read as follows:

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(e) No such certificate approving or authorizing the first partial payment to a foreign contractor shall be made any final unless such contractor shall furnish satisfactory proof that due the state tax commission by such contractor, under the provisions of pursuant to a law enacted pursuant to the authority of article nine, [nine-a] NINE-A, [twelve-a] TWELVE-A, [sixteen, sixteen-a, twenty-one,] twenty-two, [twenty-three,] twenty-eight, twenty-nine or thirty of the tax law [or article two-E of the general city law] have been paid. certificate of the state tax commission to the effect that all such taxes have been paid shall be, for purpose of this paragraph, conclusive proof of the payment of such taxes. The term "foreign contractor" used in this subdivision means, in the case of an individual, a person who is not a resident of this state, in the case of a partnership, having one or more partners not a resident of this state, and in the case of a corporation, one not organized under the laws of this state.

- S 4. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 1 and subdivision 9 of section 385 of the public authorities law, paragraph (c) of subdivision 1 as amended by chapter 129 of the laws of 1995, subdivision 9 as added by chapter 56 of the laws of 1993, are amended to read as follows:
- Such obligations shall be issued or incurred with the approval of the director of the budget and shall be special obligations of authority secured by and payable solely out of amounts appropriated by the legislature as authorized pursuant to section eighty-nine-b of state finance law without recourse against any other assets, revenues or or other payments due to the authority. Upon payments of such appropriated amounts from the fund established pursuant to eighty-nine-b of the state finance law to the account of the authority, such funds may be pledged by the authority to secure its bonds, other obligations authorized by paragraph (b) of this subdivision and shall be held free and clear of any claim by any person arising out or in connection with articles twelve-A[,] AND thirteen-A [and twenty-one] of the tax law. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing and without limiting the rights and duties of the commissioner of taxation and finance under articles twelve-A[,] AND thirteen-A [and twentyone] of the tax law, no taxpayer, or any other person, including the state, shall have any right or claim against the authority or any of its bondholders to any moneys appropriated and transferred from the dedicated highway and bridge trust fund established by section eighty-nine-b of the state finance law for or in respect of a refund, rebate, credit, or other repayment of taxes paid under such articles of reimbursement the tax law.
- 9. Nothing contained in this section shall be deemed to restrict the right of the state to amend, repeal, modify or otherwise alter statutes imposing or relating to any taxes or fees, including the taxes imposed pursuant to section two hundred eighty-four[, articles] AND ARTICLE thirteen-A [and twenty-one] of the tax law and fees imposed by section four hundred one of the vehicle and traffic law. The authority shall not include within any resolution, contract or agreement with holders of the bonds, notes and other obligations issued under this title any provision which provides that a default occurs as a result of the state exercising its right to amend, repeal, modify or otherwise alter any such taxes and fees.
- S 5. Subparagraph 11 of paragraph j of subdivision 1 of section 54 of the state finance law is REPEALED.
- S 6. Subdivisions twentieth and twenty-sixth of section 171 of the tax law, subdivision twentieth as amended by chapter 282 of the laws of

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1986, subdivision twenty-sixth as amended by chapter 61 of the laws of 1989 and paragraph a of subdivision twenty-sixth as amended by section 1 of subpart D of part V-1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, are amended to read as follows:

Twentieth. Have authority, of his own motion, to abate any small unpaid balance of an assessment of tax, or any liability in respect thereof, under articles twelve-A, eighteen, OR twenty [or twenty-one] of this chapter, if such commissioner determines under uniform rules prescribed by him that the administration and collection costs involved would not warrant collection of the amount due. He may also abate, of his own motion, the unpaid portion of the assessment of any of such taxes, or any liability in respect thereof, which is excessive in amount, or is assessed after the expiration of the period of limitation properly applicable thereto, or is erroneously or illegally assessed. No claim for abatement under this subdivision shall be filed for any of such taxes.

a. Set the overpayment and underpayment rates of inter-Twenty-sixth. est for purposes of articles twelve-A, eighteen, AND twenty [and twenty-one] of this chapter. Such rates shall be the overpayment and underpayment rates of interest set pursuant to subsection (e) of section one thousand ninety-six of this chapter, but the underpayment rate shall not be less than seven and one-half percent per annum. Any such rates set by such commissioner shall apply to taxes, or any portion thereof, which remain or become due or overpaid (other than overpayments under such article twenty and not including reimbursements, if any, under any of such articles) on or after the date on which such rates become effective and shall apply only with respect to interest computed or computable for periods or portions of periods occurring in the period during which such rates are in effect. In computing the amount of any interest required to be paid under such articles by such commissioner or by the taxpayer, or any other amount determined by reference to such amount of interest, such interest and such amount shall be compounded daily.

- b. Cross-reference. For provisions relating to the power of the commissioner of taxation and finance to abate small amounts of interest, see subdivision twentieth of this section.
- S 7. Subdivision 1 of section 171-a of the tax law, as amended by chapter 90 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. All taxes, interest, penalties and fees collected or received by the commissioner or the commissioner's duly authorized agent under articles nine (except section one hundred eighty-two-a thereof and except as otherwise provided in section two hundred five thereof), twelve-A (except as otherwise provided in section two hundred eightyfour-d thereof), thirteen, thirteen-A (except as otherwise provided in section three hundred twelve thereof), eighteen, nineteen, twenty (except as otherwise provided in section four hundred eighty-two thereof), twenty-B, [twenty-one,] twenty-two, [twenty-six,] twenty-six-B, twenty-eight (except as otherwise provided in section eleven hundred two eleven hundred three thereof), twenty-eight-A, thirty-one (except as otherwise provided in section fourteen hundred twenty-one thereof), thirty-three and thirty-three-A of this chapter shall be deposited daily one account with such responsible banks, banking houses or trust companies as may be designated by the comptroller, to the credit of the comptroller. Such an account may be established in one or more of such depositories. Such deposits shall be kept separate and apart from other money in the possession of the comptroller. The comptroller shall require adequate security from all such depositories. Of the total

revenue collected or received under such articles of this chapter, the comptroller shall retain in the comptroller's hands such amount 3 commissioner may determine to be necessary for refunds or reimbursements under such articles of this chapter out of which amount the comptroller 5 shall pay any refunds or reimbursements to which taxpayers shall be 6 entitled under the provisions of such articles of this chapter. The 7 commissioner and the comptroller shall maintain a system of accounts 8 showing the amount of revenue collected or received from each of the 9 taxes imposed by such articles. The comptroller, after reserving the 10 amount to pay such refunds or reimbursements, shall, on or before the 11 tenth day of each month, pay into the state treasury to the credit of the general fund all revenue deposited under this section during the preceding calendar month and remaining to the comptroller's credit on 12 13 14 the last day of such preceding month, (i) except that the comptroller 15 shall pay to the state department of social services that amount of overpayments of tax imposed by article twenty-two of this chapter and 16 the interest on such amount which is certified to the comptroller by the 17 commissioner as the amount to be credited against past-due support 18 19 pursuant to subdivision six of section one hundred seventy-one-c of this 20 article, (ii) and except that the comptroller shall pay to the New York 21 state higher education services corporation and the state university of 22 York or the city university of New York respectively that amount of 23 overpayments of tax imposed by article twenty-two of this chapter and 24 the interest on such amount which is certified to the comptroller by the 25 commissioner as the amount to be credited against the amount of defaults repayment of guaranteed student loans and state university loans or 26 city university loans pursuant to subdivision five of section one hundred seventy-one-d and subdivision six of section one hundred seven-27 28 29 ty-one-e of this article, (iii) and except further that, notwithstanding 30 any law, the comptroller shall credit to the revenue arrearage account, pursuant to section ninety-one-a of the state finance law, that amount 31 32 of overpayment of tax imposed by article nine, nine-A, twenty-two, thir-33 ty, thirty-A, thirty-B or thirty-three of this chapter, and any interest thereon, which is certified to the comptroller by the commissioner as the amount to be credited against a past-due legally enforceable debt 34 35 36 owed to a state agency pursuant to paragraph (a) of subdivision 37 section one hundred seventy-one-f of this article, provided, however, he shall credit to the special offset fiduciary account, pursuant to 38 section ninety-one-c of the state finance law, any such amount credita-39 40 ble as a liability as set forth in paragraph (b) of subdivision six of section one hundred seventy-one-f of this article, (iv) and except 41 further that the comptroller shall pay to the city of New York that 42 43 amount of overpayment of tax imposed by article nine, nine-A, twenty-44 thirty, thirty-A, thirty-B or thirty-three of this chapter and any 45 interest thereon that is certified to the comptroller by the commissioner as the amount to be credited against city of New York tax warrant 46 47 judgment debt pursuant to section one hundred seventy-one-1 of this 48 article, (v) and except further that the comptroller shall pay to a non-obligated spouse that amount of overpayment of tax imposed by arti-49 50 cle twenty-two of this chapter and the interest on such amount which has 51 been credited pursuant to section one hundred seventy-one-c, one hundred 52 seventy-one-d, one hundred seventy-one-e, one hundred seventy-one-f or one hundred seventy-one-l of this article and which is certified to the 53 54 comptroller by the commissioner as the amount due such non-obligated 55 spouse pursuant to paragraph six of subsection (b) of section six hundred fifty-one of this chapter; and (vi) the comptroller shall deduct 56

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a like amount which the comptroller shall pay into the treasury to the credit of the general fund from amounts subsequently payable to the department of social services, the state university of New York, the city university of New York, or the higher education services corporation, or the revenue arrearage account or special offset fiduciary account pursuant to section ninety-one-a or ninety-one-c of the state finance law, as the case may be, whichever had been credited the amount originally withheld from such overpayment, and (vii) with respect to amounts originally withheld from such overpayment pursuant to section one hundred seventy-one-l of this article and paid to the city of New York, the comptroller shall collect a like amount from the city of New York.

S 7-a. Subdivision 1 of section 171-a of the tax law, as amended by section 54 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

All taxes, interest, penalties and fees collected or received by the commissioner or the commissioner's duly authorized agent under articles nine (except section one hundred eighty-two-a thereof and except as otherwise provided in section two hundred five thereof), nine-A, twelve-A (except as otherwise provided in section two hundred eightyfour-d thereof), thirteen, thirteen-A (except as otherwise provided section three hundred twelve thereof), eighteen, nineteen, (except as otherwise provided in section four hundred eighty-two thereof), [twenty-one,] twenty-two, [twenty-six,] twenty-six-B, twenty-eight (except as otherwise provided in section eleven hundred two or hundred three thereof), twenty-eight-A, thirty-one (except as otherwise provided in section fourteen hundred twenty-one thereof), thirty-three and thirty-three-A of this chapter shall be deposited daily in one account with such responsible banks, banking houses or trust companies may be designated by the comptroller, to the credit of the comptroller. Such an account may be established in one or more of depositories. Such deposits shall be kept separate and apart from all other money in the possession of the comptroller. The comptroller shall require adequate security from all such depositories. Of the total revenue collected or received under such articles of this chapter, comptroller shall retain in the comptroller's hands such amount as the commissioner may determine to be necessary for refunds or reimbursements under such articles of this chapter out of which amount the comptroller shall pay any refunds or reimbursements to which taxpayers shall be entitled under the provisions of such articles of this chapter. commissioner and the comptroller shall maintain a system of accounts showing the amount of revenue collected or received from each of taxes imposed by such articles. The comptroller, after reserving the amount to pay such refunds or reimbursements, shall, on or before the tenth day of each month, pay into the state treasury to the credit of the general fund all revenue deposited under this section during the preceding calendar month and remaining to the comptroller's credit on the last day of such preceding month, (i) except that the comptroller shall pay to the state department of social services that amount of overpayments of tax imposed by article twenty-two of this chapter and the interest on such amount which is certified to the comptroller by the commissioner as the amount to be credited against past-due support pursuant to subdivision six of section one hundred seventy-one-c of this article, (ii) and except that the comptroller shall pay to the New York state higher education services corporation and the state university of New York or the city university of New York respectively that amount of

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overpayments of tax imposed by article twenty-two of this chapter and the interest on such amount which is certified to the comptroller by the 3 commissioner as the amount to be credited against the amount of defaults in repayment of guaranteed student loans and state university loans or city university loans pursuant to subdivision five of section one hundred seventy-one-d and subdivision six of section one hundred seven-5 6 7 ty-one-e of this article, (iii) and except further that, notwithstanding 8 any law, the comptroller shall credit to the revenue arrearage account, pursuant to section ninety-one-a of the state finance law, that amount 9 10 of overpayment of tax imposed by article nine, nine-A, twenty-two, thir-11 ty, thirty-A, thirty-B or thirty-three of this chapter, and any interest thereon, which is certified to the comptroller by the commissioner as the amount to be credited against a past-due legally enforceable debt 12 13 14 owed to a state agency pursuant to paragraph (a) of subdivision 15 section one hundred seventy-one-f of this article, provided, however, he shall credit to the special offset fiduciary account, pursuant to 16 section ninety-one-c of the state finance law, any such amount credita-17 18 ble as a liability as set forth in paragraph (b) of subdivision six of 19 section one hundred seventy-one-f of this article, (iv) and except further that the comptroller shall pay to the city of New York that 20 21 amount of overpayment of tax imposed by article nine, nine-A, twenty-22 thirty, thirty-A, thirty-B or thirty-three of this chapter and any 23 interest thereon that is certified to the comptroller by the commission-24 er as the amount to be credited against city of New York tax warrant 25 judgment debt pursuant to section one hundred seventy-one-1 of this 26 article, (v) and except further that the comptroller shall pay to a non-obligated spouse that amount of overpayment of tax imposed by arti-27 28 cle twenty-two of this chapter and the interest on such amount which has been credited pursuant to section one hundred seventy-one-c, one hundred 29 30 seventy-one-d, one hundred seventy-one-e, one hundred seventy-one-f or one hundred seventy-one-l of this article and which is certified to the 31 32 comptroller by the commissioner as the amount due such non-obligated 33 spouse pursuant to paragraph six of subsection (b) of section six hundred fifty-one of this chapter; and (vi) the comptroller shall deduct 34 a like amount which the comptroller shall pay into the treasury to 35 the general fund from amounts subsequently payable to the 36 credit of 37 department of social services, the state university of New York, 38 city university of New York, or the higher education services corpo-39 ration, or the revenue arrearage account or special offset fiduciary 40 account pursuant to section ninety-one-a or ninety-one-c of the state finance law, as the case may be, whichever had been credited the amount 41 originally withheld from such overpayment, and (vii) with respect to 42 43 amounts originally withheld from such overpayment pursuant to section 44 one hundred seventy-one-l of this article and paid to the city of New 45 York, the comptroller shall collect a like amount from the city of 46 York. 47

S 8. Subdivisions (c) and (d) of section 522 of the tax law, as added by chapter 170 of the laws of 1994, are amended to read as follows:

(c) Denial, suspension and revocation. The commissioner, for cause, may deny a license and suspend or revoke any license issued under this section, after an opportunity for a hearing has been afforded the carrier; provided, however, that a license may be denied or it may be suspended or revoked for failure to file a return as required pursuant to this article or for nonpayment of moneys due under this article prior to a hearing. A violation of any of the provisions of this article [or article twenty-one of this chapter] or of any rule or regulation of the

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commissioner promulgated under this article [or such article twenty-one] shall constitute sufficient cause for the denial, suspension or 3 tion of a license. In addition, if the commissioner enters into a cooperative agreement with other jurisdictions pursuant to section five 5 hundred twenty-eight of this article, the commissioner may deny an 6 application for license where a license previously issued to the appli-7 cant is under suspension or revocation by any member jurisdiction and a license may be revoked or suspended for failure to comply with such 8 9 agreement. A denial, revocation or suspension of a license shall be 10 final unless the applicant or licensee shall, within thirty days after 11 the giving of notice of such denial, revocation or suspension, petition the division of tax appeals for a hearing in accordance with article forty of this chapter. If the commissioner enters into a cooperative 12 13 14 agreement pursuant to such section five hundred twenty-eight, notice of 15 a hearing shall be given and a hearing held within any time restrictions 16 prescribed in such agreement.

(d) Trip permits. In lieu of the license and decal provided for (a) of this section, any carrier, except as hereinafter subdivision limited, may apply to the commissioner for a trip permit for any qualified motor vehicle to be operated by him OR HER on the public highways of this state. Application for the trip permit shall be made on a form prescribed by the commissioner and shall contain such information as the commissioner shall require. The application shall be accompanied by a fee of twenty-five dollars for each qualified motor vehicle. Each trip permit shall be valid for a period of seventy-two hours from the time of issuance. The issuance of a trip permit for a qualified motor vehicle shall exempt the carrier from the requirement of filing returns payment of the taxes imposed by this article and section three hundred one-h of this chapter on the operation of such qualified motor vehicle for the effective period of the permit but no refund application may be filed on account of trip permit applications. [Provided, however, that in order for any person liable for the tax to claim such exemption, such person must retain a copy of the trip permit in his records for the complete period of time required by section five hundred seven of this chapter.] A carrier may not apply for more than ten trip permits under this section during a single calendar year.

S 9. Section 528 of the tax law, as added by chapter 170 of the laws of 1994, subdivision (b) as amended by section 35 of part K of chapter 61 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

S 528. Procedure, administration and disposition of revenues. The provisions of subdivision two of section five hundred six and sections five hundred seven through five hundred fifteen of this (excluding sections five hundred eight, five hundred twelve and five hundred thirteen) shall apply to the provisions of this article with the same force and effect as if the language of such subdivision and sections had been incorporated in full into this article and had expressly referred to the tax under this article, except to the extent that any such provision is either inconsistent with or not relevant this article or inconsistent with a provision of any agreement which the commissioner enters into pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section, with such modification as may be necessary to adapt the language of such provisions to the tax imposed by this article, provided that notwithstanding such section five hundred ten and subdivision four of section two thousand six of this chapter, a determination, such section five hundred ten, relating to the tax imposed by this article, shall finally and conclusively fix such tax, unless the person

of notice of such determination, petition the division of tax appeals a hearing, or unless the commissioner on the commissioner's own shall redetermine the same; (2) the term "vehicular unit" shall 5 be read as "qualified motor vehicle"; (3) if the commissioner enters 6 into a cooperative agreement under this section, the reference in 7 section five hundred fourteen-a of this chapter to the United States 8 postmark shall include a postmark made by the Canadian postal service; 9 and (4) if the commissioner enters into a cooperative agreement under 10 this section, for purposes of applying subdivision four of section five 11 hundred fourteen of this chapter, the banks, banking houses or trust 12 companies which may be designated by the commissioner may include any 13 such banks, banking houses or trust companies designated or designation by other member jurisdictions. For purposes of determining 14 15 the amount of tax due in accordance with section five hundred ten of 16 this chapter as incorporated by this subdivision, any return filed before the last day prescribed for its filing shall be deemed to be 17 18 filed on such last day. The commissioner is authorized to provide for 19 the joint administration, in whole or in part, of the tax imposed by 20 article twenty-one of this chapter and the tax imposed by this article. 21 Cooperative agreements. Notwithstanding any inconsistent 22 provision of law, the commissioner is authorized to enter into a cooperative agreement with other states, the District of Columbia or provinces 23 24 or territories of Canada for the administration of the tax imposed by 25 this article and similar taxes imposed by other member jurisdictions and for the reporting and payment of tax to a single base state and a proportional sharing of revenue of taxes relating to fuel use among the 26 27 28 jurisdictions where a qualified motor vehicle is operated. The agreement 29 may provide for determining the base state for carriers, carriers 30 records requirements, audit procedures, exchange of information, persons eligible for tax licensing, defining qualified motor vehicles, determin-31 32 ing if bonding is required and requiring bonds to secure the tax imposed 33 by this article and similar taxes imposed by other member jurisdictions, specifying reporting requirements and periods including defining uniform 34 35 penalty and interest rates for late reporting, determining methods collecting and forwarding of taxes, interest and penalties to another 36 37 jurisdiction, notice and timing of hearings and other provisions as will 38 facilitate the administration of the agreement. The commissioner may, 39 pursuant to the terms of the agreement, forward to the proper officers 40 of another member jurisdiction any information in the commissioner's possession relating to the manufacture, receipt, sale, use, transporta-41 tion or shipment of motor fuel or diesel motor fuel by any person and 42 43 may share any information relating to the administration of taxes pursu-44 to the agreement with such officers. The commissioner may disclose to the proper officers of another member jurisdiction the location of offices, motor vehicles and other real and personal property of carri-45 46 47 ers. The agreement may provide for each member jurisdiction to audit the 48 records of persons based in the member jurisdiction and determine taxes due each member jurisdiction. The commissioner may adopt rules and regu-49 50 for the administration and enforcement of the agreement. In 51 connection with the administration of taxes under such a cooperative agreement, the commissioner may enter into an agreement with other member jurisdictions and any banks, banking houses, trust companies or 52 53 54 other similar institutions with respect to the payment of any tax, fees, 55 penalty or interest to such banks, banking houses, trust companies or similar institutions and the filing of returns and reports with such 56

against whom it is assessed shall, within thirty days after the giving

banks, banking houses, trust companies or similar institutions as agent of the commissioner and such other member jurisdictions. Pursuant to a written agreement made with one or more of the appropriate departments, agencies, officers or instrumentalities of other jurisdictions, the commissioner may let contracts for provision of such services to the department and to one or more of such entities of other jurisdictions; provided, that provisions shall be made in all such agreements with the participating governmental entities and in all such contracts let by the commissioner for the assumption by each of the participating govern-mental entities of sole responsibility for its proportionate share of costs under the terms of such contract. The commissioner may contract for such services jointly with and pursuant to a contract the appropriate department, agency, officer or instrumentality of another jurisdiction; provided that (1) the commissioner shall the proposed terms and conditions of all such joint governmental contracts, (2) the letting of such joint governmental contract shall be based on invitation of competitive bids or proposals, and (3) the participation by the department in any such joint contract shall be preceded by an evaluation and finding in writing by the commissioner that a reasonable potential exists for the saving of costs by the state, by means of such joint governmental contract.

- [(c)] (B) Rate changes. In the event the rate of tax imposed under this article or under section three hundred one-h of this chapter or the rate of surcharge imposed on such tax changes and such change does not coincide with the beginning of a reporting period, the rates of tax and surcharge for the reporting period which includes such change shall be equal to the sum of the respective rates otherwise applicable in each month of the reporting period divided by the number of months in the reporting period.
- [(d)] (C) Construction. In the event the commissioner, pursuant to the authority of this article, enters into a cooperative agreement as provided in this section, the commissioner shall carry out any provision of such agreement required for continued New York state participation in such agreement, to the extent not inconsistent with a specific requirement of this article or any other provision of the laws and the constitution of the state of New York.
- S 10. Section 1815 of the tax law, as amended by section 29 of subpart I of part V-1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, clause (i) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) as separately amended by section 5 of part K-1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- S 1815. Highway use and fuel use taxes. (a) Violations. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to:
- (A) [(i) Use or cause or permit to be used, any public highway in this state for the operation of a motor vehicle subject to the provisions of article twenty-one of this chapter without first applying for and obtaining the certificate of registration required under such article or a decal that has been suspended or revoked or that was issued for a motor vehicle other than the one on which affixed. The operation of any motor vehicle on any public highway of this state without a decal required under such article shall be presumptive evidence that a certificate of registration or decal has not been obtained for such motor vehicle;
- (ii)] Use or cause or permit to be used, any public highway in this state for the operation of a qualified motor vehicle subject to the provisions of article twenty-one-A of this chapter without first obtain-

ing the license and decal required pursuant to such article or to carry or cause or permit to be carried upon any qualified motor vehicle a license or decal which has been suspended or revoked or which was issued for a qualified motor vehicle other than the one on which carried. The operation of any qualified motor vehicle on any public highway of this state without carrying thereon the license or decal required under such article shall be presumptive evidence that a license or decal has not been obtained for such qualified motor vehicle;

- (B) [Operate, or cause or permit to be operated, on any public highway any motor vehicle subject to the provisions of article twenty-one of this chapter having an actual gross or unloaded weight in excess of the gross or unloaded weight set forth on the certificate of registration issued for such motor vehicle;
- (C)] Fail to deliver or surrender, pursuant to the provisions of article [twenty-one or] twenty-one-A of this chapter or any rule or regulation promulgated by the commissioner, a certificate of registration or license or decal to such commissioner, or any person directed by such commissioner to take possession thereof;
- [(D)] (C) Fail to keep records of operations of motor vehicles or qualified motor vehicles as the commissioner shall prescribe;
- [(E)] (D) Violate any other provision of article [twenty-one or] twenty-one-A of this chapter or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder.
- (2) Any person who violates any provision of this subdivision, upon a first conviction shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars or more than two hundred fifty dollars; and upon a second or subsequent conviction to a fine of not less than two hundred fifty dollars or more than five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than ten days. Except as otherwise provided by law such a violation shall not be a crime and the penalty or punishment imposed therefor shall not be deemed for any purpose a penal or criminal penalty or punishment and shall not impose any disability upon or affect or impair the credibility as a witness, or otherwise, of any person convicted thereof.
- (3) For the purposes of conferring jurisdiction upon courts and police officers, and on the officers specified in subdivision four of section 2.10 of the criminal procedure law and on judicial officers generally, such violations shall be deemed traffic infractions and for such purpose only all provisions of law relating to traffic infractions shall apply to such violations; provided, however, that the commissioner of motor vehicles, any hearing officer appointed by him OR HER, or any administrative tribunal authorized to hear and determine any charges or offenses which are traffic infractions shall not have jurisdiction of such infractions.
- (4) Upon the conviction of any person for a violation of any of the provisions of this subdivision, the trial court or the clerk thereof shall within forty-eight hours certify the facts of the case to the commissioner and such certificate shall be presumptive evidence of the facts recited therein. If any such conviction shall be reversed upon appeal therefrom, the person whose conviction has been so reversed may serve upon the commissioner a certified copy of the order of reversal and the commissioner shall thereupon record the same.
- (b) An official weigh slip or ticket issued and certified by any truck weigher in the employ of the department of transportation or by any duly licensed weight master shall constitute prima facie evidence of the information therein set forth and of the operation of the vehicle there-

in described upon a public highway and shall be admissible before any court in any violation proceeding or criminal proceeding.

- S 11. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 4-a of section 510 of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by section 10 of part J of chapter 62 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:
- (c) Upon receipt of notification from a traffic and parking violations agency of the failure of a person to appear within sixty days of the return date or new subsequent adjourned date, pursuant to an appearance ticket charging said person with a violation of:
- (i) any of the provisions of this chapter except one for parking, stopping or standing and except those violations described in paragraphs (a), (b), (d), (e) and (f) of subdivision two of section three hundred seventy-one of the general municipal law;
- (ii) [section five hundred two or subdivision (a) of section eighteen hundred fifteen of the tax law;
- (iii)] section fourteen-f (except paragraph (b) of subdivision four of section fourteen-f), two hundred eleven or two hundred twelve of the transportation law; or
- [(iv)] (III) any lawful ordinance or regulation made by a local or public authority relating to traffic (except one for parking, stopping or standing) or the failure to pay a fine imposed for such a violation by a traffic and parking violations agency, the commissioner or his or her agent may suspend the driver's license or privileges of such person pending receipt of notice from the agency that such person has appeared in response to such appearance ticket or has paid such fine. Such suspension shall take effect no less than thirty days from the day upon which notice thereof is sent by the commissioner to the person whose driver's license or privileges are to be suspended. Any suspension issued pursuant to this paragraph shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph (j-1) of subdivision two of section five hundred three of this [chapter] TITLE.
- S 12. Subdivision 3 of section 514 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by section 11 of part J of chapter 62 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. (a) Upon the failure of a person to appear or answer, within sixty days of the return date or any subsequent adjourned date, or the failure to pay a fine imposed by a court, pursuant to a summons charging him or her with a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter for parking, stopping or standing), [section five hundred two or five hundred twelve of the tax law,] section fourteen-f, eleven or two hundred twelve of the transportation law or of any law, ordinance, rule or regulation made by a local authority, relating to (except for parking, stopping or standing), the trial court or the clerk thereof shall within ten days certify that fact to the commissioner, in the manner and form prescribed by the commissioner, who shall record the same in his or her office. Thereafter and upon the appearance of any such person in response to such summons or the receipt of fine by the court, the trial court or the clerk thereof shall forthwith certify that fact to the commissioner, in the manner and form prescribed by the commissioner; provided, however, no such certification shall be made unless the court has collected the termination of suspension fee required to be paid pursuant to paragraph (j-1) of subdivision two of section five hundred three of this [chapter] TITLE.
- (b) Upon the failure of a person to appear or answer, within sixty days of the return date or any subsequent adjourned date, or the failure

to pay a fine imposed by a traffic and parking violations agency pursuant to a summons charging him or her with a violation of:

- (1) any of the provisions of this chapter except one for parking, stopping or standing and except those violations described in paragraphs (a), (b), (d), (e) and (f) of subdivision two of section three hundred seventy-one of the general municipal law;
- (2) [section five hundred two or subdivision (a) of section eighteen hundred fifteen of the tax law;
- (3)] section fourteen-f (except paragraph (b) of subdivision four of section fourteen-f), two hundred eleven or two hundred twelve of the transportation law; or
- [(4)] (3) any lawful ordinance or regulation made by a local or public authority relating to traffic (except one for parking, stopping or standing);
- the clerk thereof shall within ten days certify that fact to the commissioner, in the manner and form prescribed by the commissioner, who shall record the same in his or her office. Thereafter and upon the appearance of any such person in response to such summons or the receipt of the fine by the agency, the traffic and parking violations agency or the clerk thereof shall forthwith certify that fact to the commissioner, in the manner and form prescribed by the commissioner; provided, however, no such certification shall be made unless the traffic and parking violations agency has collected the termination of suspension fee required to be paid pursuant to paragraph (j-1) of subdivision two of section five hundred three of this [chapter] TITLE.
 - S 13. Subdivision (b) of section 524 of the tax law is REPEALED.
- S 14. Subdivision (d) of section 524 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 309 of the laws of 1996, is amended to read as follows:
- Erroneous payment. Whenever the commissioner shall determine that any moneys received under the provisions of this article were paid in or she may cause the same to be refunded or credited. Such moneys received under the provisions of this article which the commisshall determine were paid in error, may be refunded or credited out of funds in the custody of the comptroller to the credit of such taxes provided an application therefor is filed with the commissioner within four years from the time the erroneous payment was made[, if an agreement under the provisions of section five hundred ten of this chapter as made applicable to the tax imposed by this article by section five hundred twenty-eight of this article (extending the period for determination of tax imposed by this article) is made within the fourperiod for the filing of an application for refund provided for in this subdivision, the period for filing an application for refund not expire prior to six months after the expiration of the period within which a determination may be made pursuant to the agreement or any extension thereof].
- S 15. Section 525 of the tax law, as added by chapter 170 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:
- S 525. Exemptions. (a) General. The provisions of this article shall not apply to any qualified motor vehicle[:
- (1) Which] WHICH is a road roller, tractor crane, truck crane, power shovel, road building machine, snow plow, road sweeper, sand spreader or well driller.
- [(2) Which is described in section five hundred four of this chapter, except subdivision four of such section.]
- (b) Omnibus carriers. (1) An omnibus carrier shall not be required to apply for a license and decal or decals for a qualified motor vehicle

which is an omnibus operated on a public highway in this state; except, if the commissioner enters into a cooperative agreement under subdivision [(b)] (A) of section five hundred twenty-eight of this article, the commissioner may, pursuant to such agreement, require such a carrier to be licensed and obtain such decal or decals with respect to such a vehicle.

- (2) The taxes imposed by this article shall not apply to motor fuel and diesel motor fuel used by an omnibus carrier in the operation of an omnibus in local transit service in this state, as described under paragraph (d) of subdivision three of section two hundred eighty-nine-c of this chapter, pursuant to a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the commissioner of transportation of this state or by the interstate commerce commission of the United States or pursuant to a contract, franchise or consent between such carrier and a city having a population of more than one million inhabitants, or any agency of such city.
- (c) Effect of cooperative agreement. Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section, in the event that the commissioner enters into a cooperative agreement under subdivision [(b)] (A) of section five hundred twenty-eight of this article, the commissioner may issue a license and decal or decals with respect to qualified motor vehicles described in subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section which are based in this state for the purpose of reporting and payment of tax imposed by other member jurisdictions with respect to such qualified motor vehicles.
- S 16. Section 1825 of the tax law, as amended by section 89 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- S 1825. Violation of secrecy provisions of the tax law.—Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (b) of section twenty—one, subdivision one of section two hundred two, subdivision eight of section two hundred eleven, subdivision (a) of section three hundred fourteen, subdivision one or two of section four hundred thirty—seven, section four hundred eighty—seven, [subdivision one or two of section five hundred fourteen,] subsection (e) of section six hundred ninety—seven, subsection (a) of section nine hundred ninety—four, subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred forty—six, section twelve hundred eighty—seven, subdivision (a) of section fourteen hundred eighteen, subdivision (a) of section fifteen hundred eighteen, subdivision (a) of section fifteen hundred fifty—five of this chapter, and subdivision (e) of section 11-1797 of the administrative code of the city of New York shall be quilty of a misdemeanor.
- S 17. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 89-b of the state finance law, as amended by section 8 of part C of chapter 57 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- (a) The special obligation reserve and payment account shall consist (i) of all moneys required to be deposited in the dedicated highway and bridge trust fund pursuant to the provisions of sections two hundred five, two hundred eighty-nine-e, three hundred one-j, [five hundred fifteen] and eleven hundred sixty-seven of the tax law, section four hundred one of the vehicle and traffic law, and section thirty-one of chapter fifty-six of the laws of nineteen hundred ninety-three, (ii) all fees, fines or penalties collected by the commissioner of transportation pursuant to section fifty-two, section three hundred twenty-six, section eighty-eight of the highway law, subdivision fifteen of section three hundred eighty-five of the vehicle and traffic law, section [two of the chapter] NINE OF PART UI OF CHAPTER SIXTY-TWO of the laws of two thou-

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sand three [that amended this paragraph], subdivision (d) of section three hundred four-a, paragraph one of subdivision (a) and subdivision section three hundred five, subdivision six-a of section four hundred fifteen and subdivision (g) of section twenty-one hundred twen-5 ty-five of the vehicle and traffic law, section fifteen of this chapter, 6 excepting moneys deposited with the state on account of betterments 7 performed pursuant to subdivision twenty-seven or subdivision thirty-8 five of section ten of the highway law, and sections ninety-four, hundred thirty-five, one hundred forty-four and one hundred forty-five 9 10 of the transportation law, (iii) any moneys collected by the department 11 transportation for services provided pursuant to agreements entered into in accordance with section ninety-nine-r of the general municipal 12 and (iv) any other moneys collected therefor or credited or trans-13 14 ferred thereto from any other fund, account or source.

- S 18. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 89-b of the state finance law, as amended by section 9 of part C of chapter 57 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- The special obligation reserve and payment account shall consist (i) of all moneys required to be deposited in the dedicated highway and bridge trust fund pursuant to the provisions of sections two hundred eighty-nine-e, three hundred one-j, [five hundred fifteen] and eleven hundred sixty-seven of the tax law, section four hundred one of the vehicle and traffic law, and section thirty-one of chapter fifty-six of laws of nineteen hundred ninety-three, (ii) all fees, fines or penalties collected by the commissioner of transportation pursuant to section fifty-two, section three hundred twenty-six, section eightyeight of the highway law, subdivision fifteen of section three hundred eighty-five of the vehicle and traffic law, section fifteen of this chapter, excepting moneys deposited with the state on account of betterments performed pursuant to subdivision twenty-seven or subdivision thirty-five of section ten of the highway law, and sections ninety-four, hundred thirty-five, one hundred forty-four and one hundred fortyfive of the transportation law, (iii) any moneys collected by department of transportation for services provided pursuant to agreements entered into in accordance with section ninety-nine-r of general municipal law, and (iv) any other moneys collected therefor or credited or transferred thereto from any other fund, account or source.
- S 19. Subdivision 4 of section 2006 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 170 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:
- To provide a hearing as a matter of right, to any petitioner upon such petitioner's request, pursuant to such rules, regulations, forms and instructions as the tribunal may prescribe, unless a right to such a is specifically provided for, modified or denied by another provision of this chapter. Where such a request is made by a person seeking review of taxes determined or claimed to be due under this chapter, the liability of such person shall become finally and irrevocably fixed, unless such person, within ninety days from the time such liability is assessed, shall petition the division of tax appeals for a hearto review such liability [except that, as provided in subdivision (a) of section five hundred twenty-eight of this chapter, nation relating to the tax imposed by article twenty-one-A of this chapter shall finally and irrevocably fix such tax unless the person against whom it is assessed shall petition the division of tax appeals for a hearing within thirty days after the giving of notice of such determination].

S 20. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments to paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 89-b of the state finance law made by section seventeen of this act shall be subject to the expiration and reversion of such paragraph pursuant to section 13 of part U1 of chapter 62 of the laws of 2003, as amended, when upon such date the provisions of section eighteen of this act shall take effect; provided further, that the amendments to subdivision 1 of section 171-a of the tax law, made by section seven of this act shall be subject to the expiration and reversion of such subdivision, when upon such date the provisions of section seven-a of this act shall take effect.

- S 2. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid and after exhaustion of all further judicial review, the judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this act directly involved in the controversy in which the judgment shall have been rendered.
- 18 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately provided, however, that 19 the applicable effective date of Parts A through D of this act shall be 20 as specifically set forth in the last section of such Parts.