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AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to the tax stabilization reserve fund

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

Section 1. Subdivisions 3 and 4 of section 92 of the state finance law, as separately amended by chapters 405 and 957 of the laws of 1981, are amended to read as follows:

3. At the close of each fiscal year any cash surplus remaining in the general fund over and above the norm for such fiscal year shall be transferred from or retained in such fund as hereinafter in this subdivision provided. There shall be transferred to the tax stabilization reserve fund all of such surplus moneys, up to and including an amount equivalent to [two-tenths] FOUR-TENTHS of one per centum of such norm, unless such transfer would increase such reserve fund to an amount in excess of [two] FOUR per centum of the amount of the norm for such fiscal year, in which event such transfer shall be limited to such amount as will increase such reserve fund to such [two] FOUR per centum limitation. Any balance of such surplus moneys, thereafter remaining in the general fund, shall be retained in such fund and be available for the reduction of state taxes.

4. In the event that at the close of any fiscal year the receipts derived from the taxes, fees and other sources, required to be paid during such fiscal year into the general fund of the state shall fall below the norm for such fiscal year, there shall be transferred from the tax stabilization reserve fund to the general fund to the extent that there are sufficient moneys in the tax stabilization reserve fund, an amount equal to the difference between the norm and the amount of such receipts. If such transfer reduces the tax stabilization reserve fund to an amount less than [two] FOUR per centum of the norm for such fiscal

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

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year, the amount so transferred shall be repaid in cash prior to the computation and payment of any transfer to the fund pursuant to subdivision three of this section in not less than three equal annual installments within the period of six years or less next succeeding the date of such transfer; provided, however, that if any such annual installment shall increase such reserve fund to an amount in excess of [two] FOUR per centum of the amount of the norm for the then current fiscal year, such installment shall be limited to such amount as will increase such reserve fund to such [two] FOUR per centum limitation and no further repayment of the whole or any part of such transfer shall be required in any subsequent fiscal year. Repayments to the tax stabilization reserve fund shall be stipulated in annual budget bills.

S 2. This act shall take effect 3 years after it shall have become a law.