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SENATE-ASSEMBLY

January 14, 2016

IN SENATE -- A BUDGET BILL, submitted by the Governor pursuant to article seven of the Constitution -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

IN ASSEMBLY -- A BUDGET BILL, submitted by the Governor pursuant to article seven of the Constitution -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- again reported from said committee with amendments, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- again reported from said committee with amendments, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT intentionally omitted (Part A); to amend Part H of chapter 503 of the laws of 2009, relating to the disposition of monies recovered by county district attorneys before the filing of an accusatory instrument, in relation to the effectiveness thereof (Part B); to amend the tax law, in relation to suspending the transfer of monies into the emergency services revolving loan fund from the public safety communications account (Part C); intentionally omitted (Part D); to amend chapter 268 of the laws of 1996, amending the education law and the state finance law relating to providing a recruitment incentive and retention program for certain active members of the New York army national guard, New York air national guard, and New York naval militia, in relation to the effectiveness of such chapter (Part amend chapter 83 of the laws of 1995 amending the state finance law and other laws relating to bonds, notes, and revenues, in relation to extending the expiration date of certain provisions thereof; to amend chapter 1 of the laws of 2005 amending the state finance law relating to restricting contacts in the procurement process and the recording of contacts relating thereto, in relation to extending the expiration date of certain provisions thereof; and to amend the state finance law, in relation to allowing the state comptroller to excuse non-ma-

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

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terial deviations in a procurement, authorizing the commissioner of the office of general services and state agencies to provide unsuccessful offerors a reasonable opportunity for debriefing, increase the threshold for the state comptroller's approval of certain contracts and clarify the valuation of non-cash contracts by the state comptroller, and the commencement of the restricted period during the procurement process (Part F); to amend the workers' compensation law, in relation to authorizations of assessments for annual expenses, and payment of claims of affected World Trade Center volunteers (Part G); intentionally omitted (Part H); intentionally omitted (Part I); intentionally omitted (Part J); intentionally omitted (Part K); to amend the civil service law, in relation to the expiration of public arbitration panels (Part L); to amend the state finance law, in relation to the dedicated infrastructure investment fund (Part M); intentionally omitted (Part N); to amend the public lands law, in relation to state aid on certain state leased or state owned land (Part O); to amend the real property tax law, in relation to property tax benefits for anaerobic digestion of agricultural waste (Part P); to amend executive law, in relation to a mid-year report regarding contracts awarded to service-disabled veteran-owned businesses; providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof (Part O); to amend chapter 747 of the laws of 2006, amending the state finance law relating to the tribal-state compact revenue account, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; to amend part W of chapter 60 of the laws of 2011, amending the state finance relating to law disbursements from the tribal-state compact revenue account to certain municipalities, in relation to the effectiveness thereof; and to amend the state finance law, in relation to the Niagara Falls underground railroad interpretive center (Part R); and to amend the legislative law, in relation to extending the expiration of payments to members of the assembly serving in a special capacity; and to amend chapter 141 of the laws of 1994, amending the legislative law and the state finance law relating to the operation and administration of the legislature, in relation to extending such provisions (Part S)

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

Section 1. This act enacts into law major components of legislation which are necessary to implement the state fiscal plan for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year. Each component is wholly contained within a Part identified as Parts A through S. The effective date for each particular provision contained within such Part is set forth in the last section of such Part. Any provision in any section contained within a Part, including the effective date of the Part, which makes a reference to a section "of this act", when used in connection with that particular component, shall be deemed to mean and refer to the corresponding section of the Part in which it is found. Section three of this act sets forth the general effective date of this act.

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14 PART B

Section 1. Section 2 of part H of chapter 503 of the laws of 2009, relating to the disposition of monies recovered by county district attorneys before the filing of an accusatory instrument, as amended by section 25 of part B of chapter 55 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

- This act shall take effect immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until March 31, [2016] 2017, when it shall expire and be deemed repealed.
- 9 This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to 10 have been in full force and effect on and after March 31, 2016.

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- 12 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 6 of section 186-f of the tax 13 as amended by section 1 of part D of chapter 55 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows: 14
- (b) The sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars must be 15 16 deposited into the New York state emergency services revolving loan fund 17 annually; provided, however, that such sums shall not be deposited for state fiscal years two thousand eleven--two thousand twelve, two thou-18 19 sand twelve--two thousand thirteen, two thousand fourteen--two thousand fifteen [and], two thousand fifteen--two thousand sixteen, TWO 20 SIXTEEN--TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN AND TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN--TWO THOUSAND 21 22 EIGHTEEN;
- 23 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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26 PART E

- Section 1. Section 5 of chapter 268 of the laws of 1996, amending the education law and the state finance law relating to providing a recruitment incentive and retention program for certain active members of New York army national quard, New York air national quard, and New York naval militia, as amended by section 24 of part A of chapter 57
- laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

 S 5. This act shall take effect January 1, 1997 and shall expire and 33 34 be deemed repealed September 1, [2016] 2021; provided that any person who has begun to receive the benefits of this act prior to its expira-35 tion and repeal shall be entitled to continue to receive the benefits of 36 37 this act after its expiration and repeal until completion of a baccalau-38 reate degree or cessation of status as an active member, whichever 39 occurs first.
 - S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

41 PART F

Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 362 of the chapter 83 of the laws of 1995 amending the state finance law and other laws relating to bonds, notes and revenues, as amended by section 37 of part L of chapter 55 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

46 5. Sections thirty-one through forty-two of this act shall take effect 47 on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after April 1, 1995; 48

provided that section 163 of the state finance law, as added by section thirty-three of this act shall remain in full force and effect until June 30, [2016] 2021 at which time it shall expire and be deemed repealed. Contracts executed prior to the expiration of such section 163 shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration of any such contract notwithstanding the expiration of certain provisions of this act.

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- S 2. Section 16 of chapter 1 of the laws of 2005, amending the state finance law relating to restricting contacts in the procurement process and the recording of contacts relating thereto, as amended by chapter 62 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- S 16. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that sections one, six, eight, nine, ten, eleven and fifteen of this act shall take effect January 1, 2006; and provided, however, the amendments paragraph f of subdivision 9 of section 163 of the state finance law made by section fifteen of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed therewith; provided, further, that the amendments to article 1-A of the legislative law, made by this act, shall not affect the repeal of such article pursuant to chapter 2 of the laws of 1999, as amended, and shall be deemed repealed therewith; provided, further, that sections thirteen and fourteen of this act shall take effect January 1, 2006 and shall be deemed repealed July 31, [2016] 2021; provided, further, that effective immediately, the advisory council on procurement lobbying created pursuant to section twelve of this act shall be constituted no later than sixty days following the effective date of this act, provided that effective sixty days following the effective date of this act, the advisory council on procurement lobbying shall be authorized to establish model guidelines and to add, and/or repeal any rules or regulations necessary for the implementation of its duties under sections twelve and thirteen of this act, and the advisory council authorized to make and complete such model guidelines on or before the effective date of section thirteen of this provided, further, that procurement contracts for which bid solicitations have been issued prior to the effective date of this act shall be awarded pursuant to the provisions of law in effect at the time of issuance.
 - S 2-a. Subdivision 12 of section 163 of the state finance law, as added by chapter 83 of the laws of 1995, is amended to read as follows:
- 12. Review by the office of the state comptroller. Review by the office of the state comptroller shall be in accordance with section one hundred twelve of this chapter. IF THE CONTRACTING AGENCY HAS NOT COMPLIED WITH ONE OR MORE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, THE STATE COMPTROLLER MAY APPROVE THE AWARDED CONTRACT IF:
- A. THE CONTRACTING AGENCY DETERMINES THAT THE NONCOMPLIANCE WAS A NON-MATERIAL DEVIATION FROM ONE OR MORE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION "NON-MATERIAL DEVIATION" SHALL MEAN THAT SUCH NONCOMPLIANCE DID NOT PREJUDICE OR FAVOR ANY VENDOR OR POTENTIAL VENDOR, SUCH NONCOMPLIANCE DID NOT SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECT THE FAIRNESS OF THE COMPETITIVE PROCESS, AND THAT A NEW PROCUREMENT WOULD NOT BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE STATE. SUCH DETERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTING AGENCY AND THE STATE COMPTROLLER SHALL BE DOCUMENTED IN THE PROCUREMENT RECORD; AND
 - B. THE STATE COMPTROLLER CONCURS IN SUCH DETERMINATION.
- 54 S 2-b. Paragraph c of subdivision 9 of section 163 of the state 55 finance law, as amended by chapter 137 of the laws of 2008, is amended 56 to read as follows:

c. Where provided in the solicitation, state agencies may require clarification from offerers for purposes of assuring a full understanding of responsiveness to the solicitation requirements. Where provided for in the solicitation, revisions may be permitted from all offerers determined to be susceptible of being selected for contract award, prior to award. Offerers shall be accorded fair and equal treatment with respect to their opportunity for discussion and revision of offers. A state agency shall, upon request, provide a debriefing to any unsuccessful offerer that responded to a request for proposal or an invitation for bids, regarding the reasons that the proposal or bid submitted by the unsuccessful offerer was not selected for an award. The opportunity for an unsuccessful offerer to seek a debriefing shall be stated in the solicitation[, which shall provide a reasonable time for requesting a debriefing].

- (I) A DEBRIEFING SHALL BE REQUESTED BY THE UNSUCCESSFUL OFFERER WITHIN FIFTEEN CALENDAR DAYS OF RELEASE BY THE STATE AGENCY OF A NOTICE IN WRITING OR ELECTRONICALLY THAT THE OFFERER'S OFFER IS UNSUCCESSFUL.
- (II) SUCH NOTICE SHALL BE PROVIDED TO ALL UNSUCCESSFUL OFFERERS BY THE STATE AGENCY FOR THE SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT.
- (III) THE STATE AGENCY, UPON A REQUEST MADE WITHIN FIFTEEN DAYS OF RELEASE OF THE WRITTEN OR ELECTRONIC NOTICE FROM THE UNSUCCESSFUL OFFERER FOR A DEBRIEFING, SHALL SCHEDULE THE DEBRIEFING TO OCCUR WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME OF SUCH REQUEST. DEBRIEFINGS SHALL BE CONDUCTED BY THE STATE AGENCY WITH THE UNSUCCESSFUL OFFERER IN-PERSON, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THE PARTIES MAY MUTUALLY AGREE TO UTILIZE OTHER MEANS SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BY TELEPHONE, VIDEO-CONFERENCING OR OTHER TYPES OF ELECTRON-IC COMMUNICATIONS. STATE AGENCY PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN THE DEBRIEFING DISCUSSION SHALL HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH AND KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE PROCUREMENT AND THE EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF THE SUCCESSFUL OFFERER OR OFFERERS.
- (IV) SUCH DEBRIEFING SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NEED NOT BE LIMITED TO: (A) THE REASONS THAT THE PROPOSAL, BID OR OFFER SUBMITTED BY THE UNSUCCESS-OFFERER WAS NOT SELECTED FOR AWARD; (B) THE QUALITATIVE AND QUANTI-TATIVE ANALYSIS EMPLOYED BY THE AGENCY IN ASSESSING THE RELATIVE PROPOSALS, BIDS OR OFFERS; (C) THE APPLICATION OF THE SELECTION UNSUCCESSFUL OFFERER'S PROPOSAL; CRITERIA TO THE AND (D) DEBRIEFING IS HELD AFTER THE FINAL AWARD, THE REASONS FOR THE SELECTION OF THE WINNING PROPOSAL, BID OR OFFER. THE DEBRIEFING SHALL ALSO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, GENERAL ADVICE AND GUIDANCE TO THE PROVIDE, TO OFFERER CONCERNING POTENTIAL WAYS THAT UNSUCCESSFUL THEIR PROPOSALS, BIDS OR OFFERS COULD BE MORE RESPONSIVE.
- S 2-c. Subdivision 3 of section 112 of the state finance law, as amended by chapter 319 of the laws of 1992, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. A contract or other instrument wherein the state or any of its officers, agencies, boards or commissions agrees to give a consideration other than the payment of money, when the value or reasonably estimated value of such consideration exceeds [ten] TWENTY-FIVE thousand dollars, shall not become a valid enforceable contract unless such contract or other instrument shall first be approved by the comptroller and filed in his office.
- S 2-d. Paragraph f of subdivision 1 of section 139-j of the state finance law, as amended by chapter 4 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- f. "Restricted period" shall mean the period of time commencing with the earliest POSTING, ON A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY'S WEBSITE, IN A NEWSPAPER

OF GENERAL CIRCULATION, OR IN THE PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES NEWSLETTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE FOUR-C OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LAW OF written notice, advertisement or solicitation of a request for proposal, invitation for bids, or solicitation of proposals, or any other method PROVIDED FOR BY LAW OR REGULATION for soliciting a response from offerers intending to result in a procurement contract with a governmental entity and ending with the final contract award and approval by the governmental entity and, where applicable, the state comptroller.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after April 1, 2016; provided, however, that the provisions of sections two-a, two-b, two-c and two-d of this act shall apply to any procurement initiated on or after such date; provided, further however, that the amendments to section 163 of the state finance law made by sections two-a and two-b of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section as provided in subdivision 5 of section 362 of chapter 83 of the laws of 1995, as amended, and shall be deemed repealed therewith; provided, further, however, that the amendments to section 139-j of the state finance law made by section two-d of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section as provided in section 16 of chapter 1 of the laws of 2005, as amended, and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

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23 Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 151 of the workers' compensation 24 law is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

- (C) EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW TO THE CONTRARY, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER, THE ASSESSMENT RESERVES REMITTED TO THE CHAIR PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL, AT THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET, BE DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:
- (I) AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE ON OR AFTER APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, THE CHAIR OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD SHALL TRANSFER ONE HUNDRED FORTY MILLION DOLLARS TO THE STATE INSURANCE FUND, FOR PARTIAL PAYMENT AND PARTIAL SATISFACTION OF THE STATE'S OBLIGATIONS TO THE STATE INSURANCE FUND UNDER WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW SECTION EIGHTY-EIGHT-C FOR TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN.
- (II) EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, THE CHAIR OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD SHALL AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO EXPEND UP TO SIXTY MILLION DOLLARS TO IMPLEMENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND SYSTEM UPGRADES CONSISTENT WITH RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD REDESIGN AND REENGINEERING PROJECT.
- IMMEDIATELY, THE CHAIR OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION 40 (III) EFFECTIVE 41 BOARD SHALL AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO EXPEND UP TO FORTY MILLION DOLLARS TRANSFER INTO THE TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM ON OCCUPA-43 TIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH FUND CREATED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER EIGHT EIGHTY-SIX OF THE LAWS OF NINETEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE AND SECTION NINE-45 TY-SEVEN-C OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW; (B) THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OCCUPA-46 SAFETY AND HEALTHPROGRAM; (C) TRANSFER INTO THE UNINSURED 47 EMPLOYERS' FUND PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION TWO OF SECTION TWENTY-SIX-A OF 48 THIS CHAPTER IN CONNECTION WITH PAYMENT OF CLAIMS MADE PURSUANT TO ARTI-49 EIGHT-A OF THIS CHAPTER; (D) A REDUCTION IN LIABILITIES OF THE SPECIAL DISABILITY FUND PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION EIGHT OF SECTION FIFTEEN 50 OF THIS CHAPTER AND/OR THE FUND FOR REOPENED CASES PURSUANT TO 51 52 TWENTY-FIVE-A OF THIS CHAPTER; AND/OR (E) TRANSFER TO OR PAYMENT OF UP TO TEN MILLION DOLLARS OF SUCH AMOUNT ON BEHALF OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF 53

FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PAID FAMILY LEAVE ACT OF ARTICLE NINE OF THIS CHAPTER.

ANY AND ALL FUNDS REMAINING AFTER ACCOUNTING FOR THE TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES SET FORTH ABOVE MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET, EITHER REMAIN WITH THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD OR BE TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDUCING BUDGET GAPS.

ANNUALLY, THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD WILL PROVIDE TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET, THE CHAIR OF THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, AND THE CHAIR OF THE ASSEMBLY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE, AN ACCOUNTING OF SUCH FUNDS AND ALL ASSOCIATED INCOME RECEIVED. SUCH ACCOUNTING WILL CONTINUE UNTIL MARCH THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY.

- S 2. Section 167 of the workers' compensation law, as added by chapter 446 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:
- S 167. Claims of volunteers. For persons who participated in World Trade Center rescue, recovery and clean-up operations as volunteers, the uninsured employers' fund shall be deemed to be the employer [only] for the purposes of administering and paying claims pursuant to this article. Benefits under this chapter shall be payable to such volunteers [only] IN THE FIRST INSTANCE AND to the extent that funds are available out of funds appropriated to the United States Department of Labor under Public Law 109-148 to reimburse the uninsured employer's fund for the payment of such benefits AND THEREAFTER FROM THE UNINSURED EMPLOYERS' FUND. THE UNINSURED EMPLOYERS' FUND MAY PAY FOR VOLUNTEERS' MEDICAL TREATMENT NOTWITHSTANDING SUCH MEDICAL EXPENSES HAVING BEEN DENIED BY THE WORLD TRADE CENTER HEALTH ORGANIZATION.

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- Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 4 of section 209 of the civil service law, as amended by chapter 67 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 39 (d) The provisions of this subdivision shall expire [thirty-nine years 40 from July first, nineteen hundred seventy-seven, and hereafter may be 41 renewed every four years] JULY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN.
 - S 2. Paragraph (f) of subdivision 6 of section 209 of the civil service law, as added by chapter 67 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- (f) The provisions of this subdivision shall expire [three years from] 46 July first, two thousand [thirteen] NINETEEN.

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Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 3 of section 93-b of the state finance law, as added by section 1 of part H of chapter 60 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, [for the state fiscal year] commencing on April first, two thousand fifteen, AND CONTINUING THROUGH MARCH THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE, the comptroller is hereby authorized to transfer monies from the dedicated infrastructure investment fund to the general fund, and from the general fund to the dedicated infrastructure investment fund, in an amount determined by the director of the budget to the extent moneys are available in the fund; provided, however, that the comptroller is only authorized to transfer monies from the dedicated infrastructure investment fund to the general fund in the event of an economic downturn as described in paragraph (a) of this subdivision; and/or to fulfill disallowances and/or settlements related to over-payments of federal medicare and medicaid revenues in excess of one hundred million dollars from anticipated levels, as determined by the director of the budget and described in paragraph (b) of this subdivision.

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Section 1. Paragraph 1 of subdivision 2-a of section 19-a of the public lands law, as amended by section 1 of part T of chapter 55 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

(1) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, in addition to state aid otherwise payable pursuant to this section, there shall be payable to any city located in a county in which there has been constructed a state office building project in accordance with the provisions of chapter one hundred fifty-two of the laws of nineteen hundred sixty-four, as amended, and pursuant to an agreement entitled "South Mall contract" dated May eleventh, nineteen hundred sixtyfive, state aid in accordance with the following schedule:

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Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 483-a of the real property tax law, as amended by chapter 272 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

- 1. [Structures] THE FOLLOWING STRUCTURES permanently affixed to agricultural land SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION, SPECIAL AD VALOREM LEVIES AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS: (A) STRUCTURES for the purpose of preserving storing forage in edible condition; (B) farm feed grain storage bins; (C) commodity sheds; (D) BULK MILK TANKS AND COOLERS USED TO HOLD MILK AWAITING SHIPMENT TO MARKET; AND (E) manure storage, handling and treatment facilities, including composting [or anaerobic digestion] agricultural materials, such as livestock manure and farming wastes, food residuals or other organic wastes associated with food production or consumption with at least fifty percent by weight of its feedstock on annual basis being livestock manure, farming wastes and crops grown specifically for use as [anaerobic digestion or] composting feedstock [and including any equipment necessary to the process of producing, collecting, storing, cleaning and converting biogas into forms of energy and transporting biogas or energy on-site; and bulk milk tanks and coolers used to hold milk awaiting shipment to market shall be exempt taxation, special ad valorem levies and special assessments]. "Food residuals means organic material, including, but not limited to, scraps, food processing residue, and related soiled or unrecyclable paper used in food packaging, preparation or cleanup.
- S 2. The real property tax law is amended by adding a new section 483-e to read as follows:
- S 483-E. ANAEROBIC DIGESTION FACILITIES. 1. STRUCTURES PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANAEROBIC DIGESTION OF AGRICULTURAL MATERIALS, INCLUDING STRUCTURES NECESSARY FOR THE STORAGE AND HANDLING OF THE AGRICULTURAL MATERIALS THAT ARE PART OF THE DIGESTION PROCESS, TOGETHER WITH ANY EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR PRODUCING, COLLECTING, STOR-

ING, CLEANING AND CONVERTING BIOGAS INTO FORMS OF ENERGY AND GENERATION, TRANSMISSION, TRANSPORTING, USE OF AND/OR THE SALE OF BIOGAS ON-SITE, OFF-SITE, AND/OR PURSUANT TO AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH UTILITY; SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION, SPECIAL AD VALOREM LEVIES AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS. "AGRICULTURAL MATERIALS" INCLUDES, LIMITED TO, LIVESTOCK MANURE, FARMING WASTES AND FOOD RESIDUALS AND OTHER ORGANIC WASTES ASSOCIATED WITH FOOD PRODUCTION OR CONSUMPTION WITH AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT BY WEIGHT OF ITS FEEDSTOCK ON AN ANNUAL BEING LIVESTOCK MANURE, FARMING WASTES AND CROPS GROWN SPECIFICALLY FOR USE AS ANAEROBIC DIGESTION FEEDSTOCK. "FOOD RESIDUALS" MEANS MATERIAL, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FOOD SCRAPS, FOOD PROCESSING RESIDUE, AND RELATED SOILED OR UNRECYCLABLE PAPER USED IN FOOD PACKAG-ING, PREPARATION OR CLEANUP.

- 2. THE EXEMPTION PROVIDED BY SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION SHALL ONLY BE GRANTED UPON THE APPLICATION OF THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY UPON WHICH SUCH STRUCTURES ARE LOCATED, ON A FORM TO BE PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSIONER. SUCH APPLICATION SHALL BE FILED ON OR BEFORE THE APPROPRIATE TAXABLE STATUS DATE WITH THE ASSESSOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY HAVING THE POWER TO ASSESS REAL PROPERTY. ONCE AN EXEMPTION IS GRANTED, NO RENEWAL THEREOF SHALL BE NECESSARY.
- S 3. Subdivision 2 of section 487 of the real property tax law, as amended by chapter 515 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. Real property which includes a solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system approved in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of any increase in the value thereof by reason of the inclusion of such solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system for a period of fifteen years. When a solar or wind energy system or components thereof or farm waste energy system also serve as part of the building structure, the increase in value which shall be exempt from taxation shall be equal to the assessed value attributable to such system or components multiplied by the ratio of the incremental cost of such system or components to the total cost of such system or components. THE EXEMPTION PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION IS INAPPLICABLE TO ANY STRUCTURE THAT SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS FOR EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE-E OF THIS TITLE.
- S 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to assessment rolls based on taxable status dates occurring on and after March 1, 2016; provided, that an application for the exemption on the 2016 assessment roll shall be considered timely if filed on or before June 1, 2016; and provided further, that in the event such application should be denied, administrative and judicial review shall be available in the same manner and to the same extent as if the application had been for an exemption on the 2017 assessment roll; provided, however, that the amendments made by section three of this act shall not apply to any exemption from taxation for a farm waste energy system that was granted pursuant to real property tax law section four hundred eighty-seven prior to such effective date.

49 PART Q

Section 1. Paragraph (f) of subdivision 4 of section 369-i of the secutive law, as added by chapter 22 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

(f) Submit a report by the thirty-first of December each year, with the first report due by the thirty-first of December in the calendar

year next succeeding the calendar year in which this article shall have become a law, to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, and the speaker of the assembly. Such report shall include information including, but not limited to, the number of contracts entered into pursuant to this article, the average amount of such contracts, number of service-disabled veteran-owned business enterprises certified, 7 number of applications for certification as a service-disabled 8 veteran-owned business enterprise, the number of denials for such certification, the number of appeals of such denials, and the outcome of 9 10 such appeals and the average time that is required for such certif-11 ication to be completed. PROVIDED HOWEVER, IN ADDITION TO THE REPORT REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DIVISION SHALL ISSUE A 12 SUPPLEMENTAL MID-YEAR REPORT FOR THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, NO LATER 13 14 THAN JUNE THIRTIETH, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN. THE MID-YEAR REPORT IDENTIFY THE STEPS TAKEN BY THE DIVISION TO IMPROVE AGENCY PARTICIPATION 15 RATES AND THE PERCENTAGE OF CONTRACTS AWARDED TO SERVICE-DISABLED VETER-16 AN-OWNED BUSINESSES BY EACH STATE AGENCY AND AUTHORITY SUBJECT TO THIS 17 SECTION IN OUARTERS THREE AND FOUR OF FISCAL YEAR TWO THOUSAND 18 19 THOUSAND SIXTEEN. PROVIDED FURTHER, THE DIVISION SHALL INCLUDE IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL MID-YEAR REPORT ANY RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DIVISION FOR 20 21 MODIFICATION OF REGULATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN PROMULGATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE WHICH WOULD BETTER SERVE THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

2. This act shall take effect immediately; and shall expire and be deemed repealed December 31, 2016; provided that the amendments to section 369-i of the executive law, made by section one of this act, shall not affect the expiration of such article.

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Section 1. Section 2 of chapter 747 of the laws of 2006, amending 28 state finance law relating to the tribal-state compact revenue account, 29 30 is amended to read as follows:

- S 2. This act shall take effect immediately, and shall expire and be
- deemed repealed December 31, [2016] 2023.

 S 2. Section 3 of part W of chapter 60 of the laws of 2011, amending the state finance law relating to disbursements from the tribal-state compact revenue account to certain municipalities, as amended by section 22 of part HH of chapter 57 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
 - S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that[:
- (a)] the amendments to subdivision 3 [of section 99-h of the state finance law made by section one of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed December 31, 2016; and
- (b) the amendments to] AND paragraph (a) of subdivision 4 of section 99-h of the state finance law made by [section] SECTIONS ONE AND two of this act shall not affect the expiration of such section and shall be deemed to expire therewith.
- Paragraph (a) of subdivision 4 of section 99-h of the state finance law, as amended by section 2 of part W of chapter 60 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- (a) Monies which are appropriated and received each year by the state as a portion of the negotiated percentage of the net drop from electrongaming devices the state receives in relation to the operation of a gaming facility in the city of Niagara Falls, county of Niagara which subdivision three of this section requires to be a minimum of twenty-

five percent, shall be budgeted and disbursed by the city of Niagara Falls in the following manner:

- seventy-three and one-half percent of the total annual amount received shall be available for expenditure by the city of Niagara Falls for such public purposes as are determined, by the city, to be necessary and desirable to accommodate and enhance economic development, neighborhood revitalization, public health and safety, and infrastructure improvement in the city, shall be deposited into the tribal revenue account of the city and any and all interest and income derived from the deposit and investment of such monies shall be deposited into the general operating fund of the city; provided however, that any amount allocated to the NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS THE NIAGARA FALLS UNDERGROUND RAILROAD INTERPRETIVE CENTER CREATED TO CONTINUE THE Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage [Commission] COMMISSION'S MISSION TO OPERATE AN UNDERGROUND RAILROAD MUSEUM, to the extent that its share pursuant to the formula established in clause five of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph exceeds one percent, such amounts shall be distributed from the funds available to the city for its public purposes pursuant to this paragraph; and
- (ii) the remaining twenty-six and one-half percent of the total annual amount received shall be allocated for the city of Niagara Falls to be available for expenditure in the following manner:
- (1) within thirty-five days upon receipt of such funds by such city, five and one-half percent of the total annual amount received in each year, not to exceed seven hundred fifty thousand dollars annually, shall be transferred to Niagara Falls memorial medical center to be used for capital construction projects; and
- (2) within thirty-five days upon receipt of such funds by such city, five and one-half percent of the total annual amount received in each year, not to exceed seven hundred fifty thousand dollars annually, shall be transferred to the Niagara Falls city school district for capital construction projects; and
- (3) within thirty-five days upon receipt of such funds by such city, seven percent in each year shall be transferred to the Niagara tourism and convention center corporation for marketing and tourism promotion in the county of Niagara including the city of Niagara Falls; and
- (4) an amount equal to the lesser of one million dollars or seven percent of the total amount in each year shall be transferred to the city of Niagara Falls and held in an escrow account maintained by the city of Niagara Falls and, if additional funding has been secured by the Niagara frontier transportation authority to finance construction of a new terminal at Niagara Falls, such amount held in escrow shall be transferred to the Niagara frontier transportation authority for such purpose provided however that if such additional funding has not been secured or construction of a new terminal has not commenced within two years of the date which such monies were received by the city of Niagara Falls such amounts held in escrow by the city of Niagara Falls shall be distributed pursuant to subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph; and
- (5) within thirty-five days upon receipt of such funds by such city, one percent or [three hundred fifty] TWO HUNDRED thousand dollars, whichever is greater, of the total annual amount received in each year shall be transferred to the NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS THE NIAGARA FALLS UNDERGROUND RAILROAD INTERPRETIVE CENTER CREATED TO CONTINUE THE Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage [Commission, established pursuant to article forty-three of the parks, recreation and historic preservation law] COMMISSION'S MISSION TO OPERATE AN UNDER-

GROUND RAILROAD MUSEUM, to be used for, but not limited to, development, capital improvements, acquisition of real property, and acquisition of personal property within the heritage area in the city of Niagara Falls as established pursuant to the commission; provided in the event the distribution available pursuant to this clause exceeds one percent, it shall be distributed from the moneys available pursuant to subparagraph (i) of this paragraph; and

- (6) WITHIN THIRTY-FIVE DAYS UPON RECEIPT OF SUCH FUNDS BY SUCH CITY, FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE TOTAL ANNUAL AMOUNT RECEIVED IN EACH YEAR SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NIAGARA FALLS HOUSING AUTHORITY ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO TITLE TWELVE OF ARTICLE THIRTEEN OF THE PUBLIC HOUSING LAW FOR UPGRADES TO THEIR FACILITIES; AND
- (7) WITHIN THIRTY-FIVE DAYS UPON RECEIPT OF SUCH FUNDS BY SUCH CITY, FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED IN EACH YEAR SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE WESTERN NEW YORK STATE FIRST RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS CENTER; AND
- (8) WITHIN THIRTY-FIVE DAYS UPON RECEIPT OF SUCH FUNDS BY SUCH CITY, FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED IN EACH YEAR SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO MOUNT SAINT MARY'S NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CENTER; AND
- (iii) all other monies appropriated or received for distribution pursuant to this subdivision after the transfer of money pursuant to this subparagraph and subparagraphs (i) and (ii) of this paragraph in each year shall be allocated to the city of Niagara Falls for infrastructure and road improvement projects.
- S 4. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments to paragraph (a) of subdivision 4 of section 99-h of the state finance law made by section three of this act shall not affect the expiration of such section and shall be deemed to expire therewith.

29 PART S

30 Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 3 of section 5-a of 31 the legislative law, as amended by section 1 of part K of chapter 55 of 32 the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

Any member of the assembly serving in a special capacity in a position set forth in the following schedule shall be paid the allowance set forth in such schedule only for the legislative term commencing January first, two thousand [fifteen] SEVENTEEN and terminating December thirty-first, two thousand [sixteen] EIGHTEEN:

- S 2. Section 13 of chapter 141 of the laws of 1994, amending the legislative law and the state finance law relating to the operation and administration of the legislature, as amended by section 1 of part T of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- S 13. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect as of April 1, 1994, provided that, the provisions of section 5-a of the legislative law as amended by sections two and two-a of this act shall take effect on January 1, 1995, and provided further that, the provisions of article 5-A of the legislative law as added by section eight of this act shall expire June 30, [2016] 2017 when upon such date the provisions of such article shall be deemed repealed; and provided further that section twelve of this act shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after April 10, 1994.
- S 3. This act shall take effect immediately, provided, however, if section two of this act shall take effect on or after June 30, 2016

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- S 2. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such invalid provisions had not been included herein.
- 12 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately provided, however, that 13 the applicable effective date of Parts A through S of this act shall be 14 as specifically set forth in the last section of such Parts.