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Introduced by Sen. BOYLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to authorizing a dormitory facility for the legislature; to amend the legislative law, in relation to per diems of legislative members; and making an appropriation therefor

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

1     Section 1. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new  
2     section 1680-s to read as follows:  
3     S 1680-S. LEGISLATIVE DORMITORY FACILITY. 1. THE AUTHORITY IS AUTHOR-  
4     IZED TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS RELATING TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE  
5     ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY OR INTERESTS THEREIN, THE CONSTRUCTION, RECON-  
6     STRUCTION, REHABILITATION, IMPROVEMENT, EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING OF A  
7     DORMITORY FACILITY IN ALBANY, NEW YORK FOR USE BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGIS-  
8     LATURE WHEN IN PERFORMANCE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES.  
9     2. THE AUTHORITY SHALL OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE DORMITORY FACILITY  
10    APPROVED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.  
11    S 2. Subdivision 2 of section 5 of the legislative law, as amended by  
12    section 1 of part M-1 of chapter 407 of the laws of 1999, is amended to  
13    read as follows:  
14    2. Each member of the legislature shall receive [payment of actual and  
15    necessary transportation expenses and] a per diem equivalent to the most  
16    recent federal per diem rates published by the General Services Adminis-  
17    tration and set forth in 41 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 301,  
18    App. A, while in travel status in the performance of his or her duties;  
19    and such other reasonable expenses as may be necessary for the perform-  
20    ance of the member's responsibilities as determined by the temporary  
21    president of the senate or speaker of the assembly for their respective  
22    houses. The per diem allowances, including partial per diem allowances,

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

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1 shall be made pursuant to regulations promulgated by the temporary pres-  
2 ident of the senate and the speaker of the assembly for their respective  
3 houses, on audit and warrant of the comptroller on vouchers approved by  
4 the temporary president of the senate or his or her designee and the  
5 speaker of the assembly or his or her designee for their respective  
6 houses.

7 S 3. The sum of nine million dollars (\$9,000,000), or so much thereof  
8 as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the dormitory authority  
9 out of any moneys in the state treasury in the general fund to the cred-  
10 it of the state purposes account, not otherwise appropriated, and made  
11 immediately available, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of  
12 this act. Such moneys shall be payable on the audit and warrant of the  
13 comptroller on vouchers certified or approved by the dormitory authori-  
14 ty.

15 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that  
16 section two of this act shall take effect upon the date of occupancy of  
17 the legislative dormitory facility by members of the legislature;  
18 provided, further, that the dormitory authority shall notify the legis-  
19 lative bill drafting commission upon the occurrence of the enactment of  
20 the legislation provided for in sections one and two of this act in  
21 order that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective  
22 data base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York in  
23 furtherance of effectuating the provisions of section 44 of the legisla-  
24 tive law and section 70-b of the public officers law.