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Introduced by M. of A. ABBATE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees

ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to resolution of disputes in the course of collective negotiations

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of section 209 of the civil service law, as added by chapter 929 of the laws of 1986, is amended to read as follows:

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In the event that the board certifies that a voluntary resolution of the contract negotiations between either (i) the New York city transit authority (hereinafter referred to as TA-public employer) public employee organization certified or recognized to represent the majority of employees of such TA-public employer, or (ii) the metropolitan transportation authority, including its subsidiaries, the New York 10 city transit authority, including its subsidiary, and the Triborough bridge and tunnel authority (all hereinafter referred to as MTA-public 11 employer) and a public employee organization certified or recognized to 13 represent employees of such MTA-public employer not subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Railway Labor Act and not subject to the provisions of subparagraph (i) [hereof] OF THIS PARAGRAPH, which has made an election pursuant to paragraph (f) of this subdivision, OR (III) 17 THE NIAGARA FRONTIER TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, THEROCHESTER-GENESEE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, THE CAPITAL DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AND THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY UPSTATE TA-PUBLIC EMPLOYER) AND THE HEREINAFTER REFERRED AS TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION CERTIFIED OR RECOGNIZED TO REPRESENT TA-PUBLIC EMPLOYER, cannot be effected, or EMPLOYEES OF SUCH UPSTATE 23 upon the joint request of the TA-public employer [or], the MTA-public 24 employer (hereinafter jointly referred to as public employer) OR THE 25 UPSTATE TA-PUBLIC EMPLOYER and any such affected employee organization,

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

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such board shall refer the dispute to a public arbitration panel, consisting of one member appointed by the public employer, appointed by the employee organization and one public member appointed jointly by the public employer and employee organization who shall be 5 selected within ten days after receipt by the board of a petition for 6 creation of the arbitration panel. If either party fails to designate 7 its member to the public arbitration panel, the board shall promptly, 8 upon receipt of a request by either party, designate a member associated interest with the public employer or employee organization he is to 9 10 represent. Each of the respective parties is to bear the cost appointed or designated to the arbitration panel and each of the 11 12 respective parties is to share equally the cost of the public member. 13 If, within seven days after the mailing date, the parties are unable to 14 agree upon the one public member, the board shall submit to the parties 15 list of qualified, disinterested persons for the selection of the public member. Each party shall alternately strike from the list one of 16 17 the names with the order of striking determined by lot, until 18 remaining one person shall be designated as public member. This process 19 shall be completed within five days of receipt of this list. The parties 20 shall notify the board of the designated public member. The public member shall be chosen as chairman. 21

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that the amendments to paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of section 209 of the civil service law made by section one of this act shall not affect the expiration of such subdivision and shall be deemed to expire therewith.