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Introduced by M. of A. FAHY -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Ways and Means

AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to the funding of  
public transit systems; and to repeal paragraph (c) of subdivision 5  
of section 88-a of the state finance law relating thereto

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

1     Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 5 of section 88-a of the state  
2     finance law is REPEALED and two new paragraphs (c) and (d) are added to  
3     read as follows:

4     (C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE COMPTROLLER IS HEREBY  
5     AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR DEPOSIT  
6     INTO THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM OPERATING ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT, ON  
7     OR BEFORE MARCH THIRTY-FIRST OF EACH YEAR, AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE  
8     FOLLOWING:

9     (I) FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND  
10    SIXTEEN, FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS;

11    (II) IN EACH SUCCEEDING STATE FISCAL YEAR, THE TRANSFER SHALL EQUAL  
12    THE PRODUCT OF TWO HUNDRED FIVE MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND  
13    ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ONE PLUS THE GROWTH FACTOR. FOR THE PURPOSES OF  
14    THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THE GROWTH FACTOR IS THE PERCENTAGE, IF ANY, BY WHICH  
15    THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF REVENUE DEPOSITED IN THE METROPOLITAN MASS  
16    TRANSPORTATION OPERATING ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD  
17    ENDING ON DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST OF THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR  
18    YEAR EXCEEDS THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF REVENUE DEPOSITED IN THE METROPOL-  
19    ITAN MASS TRANSPORTATION OPERATING ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT FOR THE TWELVE  
20    MONTH PERIOD ENDING ON DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN. IN  
21    NO YEAR WILL THE AMOUNT OF THE DEPOSIT AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION BE  
22    LESS THAN THE AMOUNT MADE IN THE PRIOR YEAR.

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

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1 (D) ANY FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT FUNDS COLLECTED BY THE STATE ON OR AFTER  
2 APRIL FIRST, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN SHALL BE DEDICATED TO NEW YORK STATE  
3 UPSTATE AND DOWNSTATE TRANSIT SYSTEMS, AS FOLLOWS:

4 (I) TWO-THIRDS OF SUCH FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT FUNDS SHALL BE ALLOCATED  
5 TO THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY; AND

6 (II) ONE-THIRD OF SUCH FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT FUNDS SHALL BE ALLOCATED  
7 FOR UPSTATE TRANSIT, ROADS AND BRIDGES AND DOWNSTATE NON-METROPOLITAN  
8 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TRANSIT SYSTEMS.

9 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.