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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. HOYLMAN, SQUADRON -- read twice and ordered printed,  
and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations  
and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to requiring the disclosure of  
tax returns by statewide elected public officials including the presi-  
dent of the United States

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-  
bly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 697 of the tax law is amended by adding a new  
2 subsection (p) to read as follows:

3 (p) Disclosure of certain elected officials' income tax returns.--(1)  
4 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (e) of this section, the  
5 department shall post on its website all income tax returns filed pursu-  
6 ant to this article by the president of the United States, the vice  
7 president of the United States, United States senators representing New  
8 York state and all statewide elected officials, as that term is defined  
9 in section seventy-three of the public officers law. Such income tax  
10 returns shall be posted on the department's website no later than thirty  
11 days after the effective date of this subsection or thirty days after  
12 such elected official has taken an oath of office, whichever is later.

13 (2) The department shall post on its website all subsequently filed  
14 income tax returns for every year such elected officials remain in  
15 office no later than thirty days after the filing of such return.

16 (3) Income tax returns posted on the department's website pursuant to  
17 this subsection shall remain available to the public until such elected  
18 official leaves office.

19 (4) The commissioner is authorized and directed to establish proce-  
20 dures for redacting personal identifying information from such income  
21 tax returns before posting them on the department's website.

22 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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