## STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

February 4, 2020

Introduced by Sen. GAUGHRAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

AN ACT to amend the real property tax law, in relation to certain state lands constituting a state park subject to taxation

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

Section 1. Section 532 of the real property tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision (1) to read as follows:

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- (1) (i) All lands owned by the state constituting a state park, 3 excluding those lands otherwise subject to taxation pursuant to subdivi-4 5 sions (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j) and (k) of this section, which meet the following criteria:
- 7 (A) the average daily state park attendance for the preceding year as reported by the office of parks, recreation and historic preservation exceeded twenty-five percent of the municipal population as determined 9 10 by the most recent census data as reported by the United States census 11 bureau;
- 12 (B) the state-owned land constitutes ten percent or more of the total land contained within the municipality based on acreage of state park-13 land and wildlife management area in the municipality as a percentage of 14 15 all municipal land;
- (C) the municipality either: (1) provides first responder police 17 protection and first responder fire protection and other health and safety measures that benefit the state park and its visitors; or (2) the 18 residents of the municipality make direct payment to a fire protection 19 district responsible for protecting the state park and its visitors; and 20 (D) the principal entrance to the state park is within the boundaries 21 22 of the municipality.
- 23 (ii) In no event shall the payment exceed two hundred fifty thousand 24 dollars for the two thousand twenty--two thousand twenty-one fiscal year, and in each succeeding fiscal year shall not exceed two hundred 25 fifty thousand dollars subject to an annual adjustment reflecting the latest consumer price index (all items--U.S. city average), published by 27 28 the United States bureau of labor statistics, as recalculated every

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

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- 1 January first. The payment shall be reduced by any payment in lieu of
- 2 taxes or other state payments paid to the municipality which are related
- 3 to the state park.
- 4 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of April next succeeding 5 the date on which it shall have become a law.