STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law and the public authorities law, in relation to requiring notice and confirmation of such notice by affected local taxing jurisdictions and school districts prior to approval of projects by industrial development agencies

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

Section 1. Section 859-a of the general municipal law is amended by adding a new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:

1-a. The agency shall deliver a copy of the resolution adopted pursuant to subdivision one of this section by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the chief executive officer of each affected local taxing jurisdiction. When the affected local taxing jurisdiction is a school district, the agency shall deliver a copy of such resolution by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the school board and district superintendent of each affected school district.

§ 2. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 874 of the general municipal law, as amended by chapter 357 of the laws of 1993, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The agency shall establish a procedure for deviation from the uniform tax exemption policy required pursuant to this subdivision. The agency shall set forth in writing the reasons for deviation from such policy, and shall further notify **by certified mail, return receipt requested,** the affected local taxing jurisdictions of the proposed deviation from such policy and the reasons therefor. **When the affected local taxing jurisdiction is a school district, the agency shall notify by certified mail, return receipt requested, the school board and district superintendent of each affected school district.**

§ 3. Section 1953-a of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:

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

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1-a. The authority shall deliver a copy of the resolution adopted pursuant to subdivision one of this section by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction. When the affected tax jurisdiction is a school district, the authority shall deliver a copy of such resolution by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the school board and district superintendent of each affected school district.

§ 4. Subdivision 2 of section 1963-a of the public authorities law, as amended by chapter 357 of the laws of 1993, is amended to read as follows:

2. The authority shall establish a procedure for deviation from the uniform tax exemption policy required pursuant to this section. The authority shall set forth in writing the reasons for deviation from such policy, and shall further notify **by certified mail, return receipt requested,** the affected tax jurisdictions of the proposed deviation from such policy and the reasons therefor. **When the affected tax jurisdiction is a school district, the authority shall notify by certified mail, return receipt requested, the school board and district superintendent of each affected school district.**

§ 5. Section 2307 of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new subdivision 1-a to read as follows:

1-a. The authority shall deliver a copy of the resolution adopted pursuant to subdivision one of this section by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction. When the affected tax jurisdiction is a school district, the authority shall deliver a copy of such resolution by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the school board and district superintendent of each affected school district.

§ 6. Subdivision 2 of section 2315 of the public authorities law, as amended by chapter 357 of the laws of 1993, is amended to read as follows:

2. The authority shall establish a procedure for deviation from the uniform tax exemption policy required pursuant to this section. The authority shall set forth in writing the reasons for deviation from such policy, and shall further notify **by certified mail, return receipt requested,** the affected local taxing jurisdictions of the proposed deviation from such policy and the reasons therefor. **When the affected tax jurisdiction is a school district, the authority shall notify by certified mail, return receipt requested, the school board and district superintendent of each affected school district.**

§ 7. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.