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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sens. PARKER, HOYLMAN, SERRANO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to establishing a clean air account; and making an appropriation therefor

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 2 of section 92-s of the state
2 finance law, as amended by section 1 of part U of chapter 58 of the laws
3 of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

4 a. The comptroller shall establish the following separate and distinct
5 accounts within the environmental protection fund:

6 (i) solid waste account;

7 (ii) parks, recreation and historic preservation account;

8 (iii) open space account;

9 (iv) climate change mitigation and adaptation account; ~~and~~

10 (v) environmental protection transfer account~~[-]~~; and

11 (vi) clean air account.

12 § 2. Paragraph (f) of subdivision 6 of section 92-s of the state
13 finance law is relettered paragraph (g) and a new paragraph (f) is added
14 to read as follows:

15 (f) Moneys from the clean air account shall be available, pursuant to
16 appropriation, for clean air account projects according to the follow-
17 ing:

18 (i) Thirty-five million dollars to upgrade school boilers. The commis-
19 sioner of education shall establish a procedure to determine the priori-
20 ty of which school boilers shall be replaced;

21 (ii) Five million dollars for grants to schools in clean air non-at-
22 tainment areas to pay for the increased cost of ultra low sulfur diesel;
23 and

24 (iii) Ten million dollars to fund the initial costs associated with
25 conversion to boilers or furnaces that use bio-fuel.

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

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1 § 3. The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000), or so much there-
2 of as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the department of
3 environmental conservation out of any moneys in the state treasury in
4 the general fund to the credit of the clean air account, not otherwise
5 appropriated, and made immediately available, for the purpose of carry-
6 ing out the provisions of this act. Such moneys shall be payable on the
7 audit and warrant of the comptroller on vouchers certified or approved
8 by the commissioner of the department of environmental conservation in
9 the manner prescribed by law.

10 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.