STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 15, 2022

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

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to prohibiting executive sessions for the appointment of elected office

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

Section 1. Section 105 of the public officers law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

3. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, consideration of matters relating to the appointment of a member or officer of a public body to fill a vacancy in such public body caused by reason of the death, resignation, removal from office, or refusal to serve, of any elected member or officer of such public body, including interviews of applicants for appointment to fill such vacancy, and any discussions or deliberations regarding any such appointment, shall be conducted in a meeting open to the public and shall not be conducted in an executive session.

§ 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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