STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

April 22, 2021

Introduced by Sen. RATH -- 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 enhanced aid and incentives for municipalities

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

1 Section 1. Section 54 of the state finance law is amended by adding a 2 new subdivision 12 to read as follows:

- 3 12. a. Enhanced aid and incentives for municipalities. Notwithstand-4 ing any inconsistent provision of this section or of any other provision of law to the contrary, the payment of enhanced aid and incentives for municipalities for the support of local government for state fiscal years commencing April first, two thousand twenty-two and thereafter, 7 shall be paid from an appropriation made for the enhanced aid and incen-9 tives for municipalities program pursuant to the aid to localities budget for such state fiscal years in a manner consistent with this subdivi-10 sion. Enhanced aid and incentives for municipalities will be apportioned to eligible municipalities by the director of the budget on a per-capita 12 basis, based on population. Municipalities in Tier 1 would receive 13 14 eighty percent of the appropriation provided annually and municipalities 15 in Tier 2 would receive twenty percent of the appropriation provided 16 <u>annually</u>.
- 17 <u>b. Definitions. As used in this subdivision, unless otherwise express-</u>
 18 <u>ly stated:</u>
- 19 <u>(i) "Municipalities" means a city with a population less than one</u> 20 <u>million, town or village.</u>
- 21 <u>(ii) "Enhanced aid and incentives for municipalities" means aid in</u>
 22 <u>addition to the total of all aid payable to municipalities pursuant to</u>
 23 <u>this subdivision.</u>
- 24 <u>(iii) "Population" means population data based upon the most recent</u> 25 <u>federal decennial census.</u>

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

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(iv) "Per capita basis" means the amount of the appropriation provided annually divided by the population of the eligible municipality.

- (v) "Tier 1" means a town with a population equal to fifteen thousand or less or a village with a population equal to ten thousand or less or a city with a population equal to twenty thousand or less.
- (vi) "Tier 2" means a town with a population greater than fifteen thousand or a village with a population greater than ten thousand or a city with a population greater than twenty thousand and less than one million.
- § 2. This act shall take effect April 1, 2022, subject to appropriation for the enhanced aid and incentives for municipalities in the 11 2022-2023 enacted state budget; provided that the director of the budget shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission upon the occur-13 rence of such an appropriation for the enhanced aid and incentives for 14 municipalities in the 2022-2023 enacted state budget in order that the 15 16 commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective data base of 17 the official text of the laws of the state of New York in furtherance of 18 effectuating the provisions of section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public officers law.