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IN SENATE

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

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to allocating certain tax revenues for the promotion of tourism and tourist attractions in Seneca county

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

Section 1. Subdivision 9 of section 1202-o of the tax law, as added by chapter 784 of the laws of 1992, is amended to read as follows:

(9) All revenues resulting from the imposition of the tax under the local laws shall be paid into the treasury of Seneca county and shall be credited to and deposited in the general fund of the county[~~, thereafter to be allocated only for tourism, promotion and development in Seneca county. The revenues derived from said tax shall be allocated only to enhance the general economy of the county of Seneca, its towns and villages through promotion of tourist activities, conventions, trade shows, special events and other directly related and supported activities. A committee of at least seven persons shall be created to advise, recommend and administer the activities funded by the revenues generated by this tax, including two representatives of the Seneca county tourism industry, a board member of the Seneca county chamber of commerce, the county administrator, a board member of Seneca 2000, Inc., a board member of the Seneca county industrial development agency, and a member of the Seneca county board of supervisors~~] **and shall be made available thereafter for the promotion of tourism and tourist attractions in Seneca county and any other directly related or supporting activities as related to tourism including, but not limited to, programs to improve public infrastructures; to develop, operate and maintain public parks and recreational facilities; to maintain and enhance the water resources of Seneca county, including lakes and tributary streams; and for envi-**

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

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ronmental conservation. Such promotion may be carried out by an appropriate organization or organizations as designated by the Seneca county board of supervisors. No more than five percent of such revenues shall be used for the cost of administering the provisions of this subdivision within the Seneca county treasurer's office.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.