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IN SENATE

January 11, 2022

Introduced by Sen. SKOUFIS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to amending the definition of a "public body"

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 102 of the public officers law, 2 as amended by a chapter of the laws of 2021 amending the public officers 3 law relating to amending the definition of a "public body", as proposed 4 in legislative bills numbers S. 1625-a and A. 924-a, is amended to read 5 as follows:

2. "Public body" means any entity, for which a quorum is required in б 7 order to conduct public business and which consists of two or more members, performing a governmental function for the state or for an 8 agency or department thereof, or for a public corporation as defined in 9 10 section sixty-six of the general construction law, or committee or 11 subcommittee or other similar body consisting of members of such public 12 body, or an entity created or appointed to perform a necessary function 13 in the decision-making process for which a quorum is required in order 14 to conduct public business and which consists of two or more members. A necessary function in the decision-making process shall not include the 15 16 provision of recommendations or guidance which is purely advisory and 17 which does not require further action by the state or agency or depart-18 ment thereof or public corporation as defined in section sixty-six of the general construction law. 19

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2021 amending the public officers law relating to amending the definition of a "public body", as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 1625-a and A. 924-a, takes effect.

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

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