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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ANDERSON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to trustees of the state university and city university

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 353 of the education law, as  
2 amended by chapter 268 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 1. The state university shall be governed, and all of its corporate  
5 powers exercised, by a board of trustees. Such board shall consist of  
6 eighteen members, fifteen of whom shall be appointed by the governor  
7 with the advice and consent of the senate, one of whom shall be the  
8 president of the student assembly of the state university, ex-officio  
9 and voting, one of whom shall be the president of the university faculty  
10 senate, ex-officio and non-voting, and one of whom shall be the presi-  
11 dent of the faculty council of community colleges, ex-officio and non-  
12 voting; provided that no such members appointed by the governor shall  
13 also be a paid employee serving at the pleasure of the governor. Such  
14 ex-officio members shall be subject to every provision of any general,  
15 special, or local law, ordinance, charter, code, rule, or regulation  
16 applying to the voting members of such board with respect to the  
17 discharge of their duties, including, but not limited to, those  
18 provisions setting forth codes of ethics, disclosure requirements, and  
19 prohibiting business and professional activities. One member of the  
20 board shall be designated by the governor as chairperson and one as  
21 vice-chairperson. Of the members first appointed, two shall be appointed  
22 for a term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred  
23 fifty-two; one for a term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen  
24 hundred fifty-three; two for a term which shall expire on June thirti-

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

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1 eth, nineteen hundred fifty-four; one for a term which shall expire on  
2 June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-five; two for a term which shall  
3 expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-six; one for a term  
4 which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred fifty-seven; two  
5 for a term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nineteen hundred  
6 fifty-eight; one for a term which shall expire on June thirtieth, nine-  
7 teen hundred fifty-nine; two for a term which shall expire on June thir-  
8 tieth, nineteen hundred sixty; and one for a term which shall expire on  
9 June thirtieth, nineteen hundred sixty-one. Vacancies shall be filled  
10 for the unexpired term in the same manner as original appointments. The  
11 term of office of each trustee appointed on or after April first, nine-  
12 teen hundred eighty-six shall be seven years, except those of the  
13 student member and the faculty members. Trustees shall receive no  
14 compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for their  
15 expenses actually and necessarily incurred by them in the performance of  
16 their duties under this article.

17 § 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 6204 of the education  
18 law, as added by chapter 305 of the laws of 1979, is amended to read as  
19 follows:

20 (a) The board of trustees shall consist of seventeen trustees. Ten of  
21 the trustees shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and  
22 consent of the senate; provided that no such trustee appointed by the  
23 governor shall also be a paid employee serving at the pleasure of the  
24 governor. Five of the trustees shall be appointed by the mayor of the  
25 city of New York with the advice and consent of the senate; provided  
26 that no such trustee appointed by the mayor of the city of New York  
27 shall be a paid employee serving at the pleasure of the mayor of the  
28 city of New York. One ex-officio trustee shall be the chairperson of  
29 the university student senate. One ex-officio non-voting trustee shall  
30 be the chairperson of the university faculty senate.

31 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to the  
32 state university of New York and the city university of New York trus-  
33 tees appointed on or after such effective date.