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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. KENNEDY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to including extreme winter weather preparedness in local comprehensive emergency management plans

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 2 of section 20 of the executive  
2 law, as amended by chapter 23 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 a. "disaster" means occurrence or imminent, impending or urgent threat  
5 of wide spread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property  
6 resulting from any natural or man-made causes, including, but not limited  
7 to, fire, flood, earthquake, hurricane, extreme winter weather,  
8 tornado, high water, landslide, mudslide, wind, storm, wave action,  
9 volcanic activity, epidemic, disease outbreak, air contamination,  
10 terrorism, cyber event, blight, drought, infestation, explosion, radio-  
11 logical accident, nuclear, chemical, biological, or bacteriological  
12 release, water contamination, bridge failure or bridge collapse.

13 § 2. Section 23 of the executive law is amended by adding a new subdi-  
14 vision 8 to read as follows:

15 8. Such plans shall additionally include, but not be limited to, the  
16 following regarding extreme winter weather:

17 a. evacuation plans and sheltering-in-place plans in the case of  
18 extreme winter weather, such plans should include how to deal with tran-  
19 sit networks, utilities, and community warming centers; and

20 b. an annual inventory of the municipality's extreme winter weather  
21 equipment, such inventory shall include the age and condition of such  
22 equipment.

23 § 3. 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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