

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. EPSTEIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Cities

AN ACT to amend the New York city charter, in relation to authorizing the New York city council to remove the mayor from office

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

1 Section 1. Section 9 of the New York city charter is amended to read  
2 as follows:

3 § 9. Removal of mayor. The mayor may be removed from office by:  
4 a. the governor upon charges and after service upon [~~him~~] such mayor  
5 of a copy of the charges and an opportunity to be heard in [~~his~~] such  
6 mayor's defense. Pending the preparation and disposition of charges,  
7 the governor may suspend the mayor for a period not exceeding thirty  
8 days; or

9 b. the New York city council pursuant to the provisions of subdivision  
10 h of section twenty-eight of this charter.

11 § 2. Section 28 of the New York city charter is amended by adding a  
12 new subdivision h to read as follows:

13 h. The council shall have power to remove the mayor from office, upon  
14 charges and after service upon such mayor of a copy of the charges and  
15 an opportunity to be heard in such mayor's defense, by an affirmative  
16 vote of three quarters of all the council members. Pending the prepara-  
17 tion and disposition of charges, the council may suspend the mayor for a  
18 period not exceeding thirty days by an affirmative vote of three quar-  
19 ters of all the council members.

20 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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