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Introduced by Sen. STEC -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions -- recommitted to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to establishing a commission on hosting the olympic games

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

Section 1. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new section 2611-a to read as follows:

§ 2611-a. Commission on hosting the olympic games. 1. When used in this section the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) "commission" shall mean the commission established under this section.

(b) "olympics" shall mean the olympic games.

2. There is hereby established within the New York state olympic regional development authority a commission on hosting the olympic games which shall consist of thirteen members and shall have and exercise the powers and duties set forth in this section.

3. The commission shall consist of thirteen members of whom three shall be appointed by the governor, two each by the speaker of the assembly and the temporary president of the senate, one each by the minority leader of the senate and the minority leader of the assembly, and four by the authority. Any vacancy on such commission shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment was made. Members of the commission shall be residents of the state.

4. Members of the commission shall designate a chair from the membership thereof for a term of one year. Any member of the commission may call a meeting. Seven members shall constitute a quorum. The commission

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

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may meet and hold public and/or private hearings within or without the state, and shall have all the powers of a legislative committee pursuant to the legislative law.

5. The members of the authority shall not receive a salary or other compensation for their services as members of the commission but each member shall be allowed reimbursement for the necessary and actual expenses which such member shall incur in the performance of their duties under this section.

6. The commission shall:

(a) determine the feasibility for Lake Placid to host the olympics with a partner municipality;

(b) investigate which municipalities could partner with Lake Placid for hosting the olympics;

(c) identify the best partner municipality for Lake Placid; and

(d) before February first, two thousand twenty-nine, report to the governor and the legislature regarding its findings and recommendations.

7. The commission may employ and at pleasure remove such personnel as it may deem necessary for the performance of its functions and fix their compensation within the amounts made available by appropriation thereof, if any, or by donation, if any.

8. For the accomplishment of its purposes, the commission shall be authorized and empowered to undertake any studies, inquiries, surveys or analyses it may deem relevant through its own personnel or in cooperation with or by agreement with any other public or private agency.

9. The commission may request and shall receive from any agency in the state and from any subdivision, department, board, bureau, commission, office, agency or other instrumentality of the state or of any political subdivision thereof such facilities, assistance and data as it deems necessary or desirable for the proper execution of its powers and duties and to effectuate the purposes set forth in this section.

10. The commission is hereby authorized and empowered to enter into any agreements and to do and perform any acts that may be necessary, desirable or proper to carry out the purposes and objectives of this section.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.