

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 27, 2025

Introduced by Sen. GRIFFO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the public officers law, in relation to the temporary appointment of heads of departments without the advice and consent of the senate

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

1 Section 1. The public officers law is amended by adding a new section
2 33-b to read as follows:

3 § 33-b. Appointment of heads of departments without the advice and
4 consent of the senate. 1. No person shall serve as the head of a depart-
5 ment for more than ninety days without the advice and consent of the
6 senate when the legislature is in session.

7 2. When a vacancy occurs when the legislature is not in session, no
8 person shall serve as the head of a department without the advice and
9 consent of the senate for longer than thirty calendar days of the next
10 succeeding legislative session.

11 3. A person may only serve as the head of a department without the
12 advice and consent of the senate once, regardless of the amount of time
13 such person served as the head of a department.

14 § 2. 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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