# STATE OF NEW YORK

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# IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. FAHY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation

AN ACT to amend the arts and cultural affairs law, in relation to renaming agency building one, agency building two, agency building three and agency building four, located at the empire state plaza

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

Section 1. Section 3.05 of the arts and cultural affairs law is amended by adding a new subdivision 12 to read as follows:

**12. (a) In collaboration with the commissioner of the office of general services, the council shall make a recommendation to the governor on the naming of agency building one, agency building two, agency building three and agency building four, located at the empire state plaza. The council shall be guided by the following in their work:**

**(i) the buildings shall not be named for any person either living or not; and**

**(ii) the buildings shall be named based on geographic features and/or historical events that represent the state.**

**(b) The governor, in accordance with the council's recommendations and after a robust public engagement effort, shall determine the names of agency building one, agency building two, agency building three and agency building four, within sixty days after the council submits their recommendation.**

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundredth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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