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Dear Speaker Heastie,

It is my pleasure to submit to you the 2021 Annual Report of the Assembly Standing Committee on Governmental Operations. Contained within are descriptions of the Committee's significant legislation and other activities from 2021, and an overview of the Committee's outlook for the 2021 session.

I am proud to report that the Committee successfully enacted many important pieces of legislation, and helped to ensure critical funding for various endeavors in the state budget. The committee took the lead, during the extraordinary COVID-19 pandemic to amend the Governor's executive powers setting up a more data-driven process with appropriate legislative, municipal and public input. I am also especially pleased with the work the Committee did in the areas of emergency management, human rights, gender equality, crime victims, procurement, building code enforcement and government reform.

In 2022, the Committee will continue to focus on improving the efficiency and fairness of government in New York State. Disaster and emergency preparedness, transparency and efficiency, and equal protection under the law for all New Yorkers will remain top priorities. It is also a goal of the Committee to ensure proper and cost efficient procurement practices and to encourage greater participation by small, minority- and women-owned businesses. In addition, the Committee is committed to ensuring that everyone in New York State is treated with dignity and respect.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, your staff and the Committee members for their continued support. I look forward to meeting the challenges ahead in the 2022 legislative session.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Kenneth P. Zebrowski".

Kenneth P. Zebrowski, Chair
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I. INTRODUCTION

The Governmental Operations Committee's jurisdiction encompasses a broad spectrum of legislative and regulatory issues. The issue areas of the Committee include: governmental reform, lobbying and ethics laws, crime victims' rights, human rights, rights of individuals with disabilities, State procurement and technology policies, Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Laws, disaster preparedness, homeland security, public lands and buildings, redistricting and reapportionment, and the organization and operation of the executive and legislative branches of State government. The Committee also acts on legislation proposed to it by the Assembly Ethics and Guidance Committee, the Assembly Committee on Oversight, Analysis and Investigation, the Administrative Regulation Review Commission, and the Legislative Commission on Government Administration. In addition, the Committee oversees the Subcommittee on the Oversight of Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBEs), and the Subcommittee on Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness.

II. DISASTER PREPAREDNESS, UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE, AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Legislation related to the delivery of emergency services and public safety within the State is often referred to the Governmental Operations Committee. The Committee examines the activities of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES), which includes the Office of Fire Prevention and Control, the State Emergency Management Office, the Office of Counterterrorism and the Office of Interoperability and Emergency Communications. The Committee is also concerned with the Office of Cyber Security within the Office of Information Technology Services, the New York State Police and the Municipal Police Training Council, and reviews the State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code.

Establishing Minimum Standards for Building Code Enforcement Penalties **(A.362-A, Zebrowski)**

This law establishes provisions requiring that a minimum fine be assessed for individuals who are knowingly violating provisions of the state's uniform fire protection and building code.

Chapter 571 of the Laws of 2021

Expanding Building Code Enforcement Jurisdiction **(A.3028, McDonald)**

This law streamlines the judicial process to make it easier for municipalities to address violations of the building and fire prevention code by allowing the New York City civil court, a city court, district court, or county court the authority to order the removal of a building or abatement of conditions where the construction or use of a building is in violation of the uniform building and fire prevention code. Currently only judges of the supreme court are assigned that responsibility.

Chapter 507 of the Laws of 2021

Securing Grease Traps and Interceptors at Food Service Establishments **(A.7506, Clark)**

This law establishes rules and regulations within the state building code to regulate the security and safety of grease traps and grease interceptors at food service establishments. The law also authorizes local public water and sewer authorities to establish their own safety regulations for manhole covers containing grease traps and grease interceptors.

Chapter 753 of the Laws of 2021

State Agency Data Breach Notification

(A.7612, Otis)

This bill requires the Office of Information Technology Services to notify, within 24 hours following discovery of a data breach or receiving notice of a data breach or network security breach, the chief information officer or where appropriate the chief information security officer of a state entity with which the office shares data of such breach.

Chapter 796 of the Laws of 2021

III. CRIME VICTIMS

The Governmental Operations Committee considers legislation dealing with crime victims and the Office of Victim Services. This agency advocates for and is responsible for issuing awards to eligible crime victims. The Committee's interest and commitment to the concerns of crime victims go beyond issues directly relating to the Office itself. The Committee contributed several key bills to various legislative packages that seek to improve the responsiveness of the criminal justice system to domestic violence and other crime victims.

Authorizing Victim Compensation for Victims of the Crime of Unlawful Surveillance
(A.7489, Wallace)

This bill would expand eligibility to crime victims who did not suffer a physical injury but were victims of the crime of unlawful dissemination or publication of an intimate image.

Passed the Assembly.

IV. DIVISION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

The Division of Human Rights is the agency responsible for the enforcement of the State's Human Rights Law, which protects the citizens of New York from discrimination based on race, sex, religion, marital status and several other protected categories.

Requiring the Disclosure of Lawful Source of Income Rights
(A.3112-B, Epstein)

This law requires the division of human rights to promulgate regulations to ensure that individuals who have applied for assistance and are notified of their rights to utilize their vouchers without discrimination and how to make a complaint if they believe that they have been discriminated against.

Chapter 243 of the Laws of 2021

Protecting State Employees with Disabilities
(A.7121, Kelles)

This bill would waive the state’s sovereign immunity from liability under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Under this legislation, employees of the state would attain the right to seek damages in state court for violations of their rights under the ADA. In addition, this bill would allow citizens with disabilities to seek damages if the state does not meet the ADA’s standards for access to government buildings, programs and services.

Passed the Assembly.

Expanding For Profit Educational Institutions Included in the Human Rights Law
(A.7390, Williams)

This law expands the definition of the term educational institution in the Human Rights Law to include for-profit colleges, universities, career schools and English as a second language schools. This will clarify that the protections of the Human Rights Law are extended to students at these institutions.

Chapter 654 of the Laws of 2021

Expanding Protections for Domestic Workers Within the Human Rights Law
(A.8007, Rajkumar)

This law expands the definition of the term “employee” in the Human Rights Law to include domestic workers by removing a previous exemption.

Chapter 830 of the Laws of 2021

V. OPEN GOVERNMENT

The Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) governs the public's right to know about governmental decision-making by allowing for review of documents that form the basis of governmental decisions and actions. The Open Meetings Law enables the public to monitor the performance of public officials by observing the deliberations and decisions that go into the making of public policy. FOIL and the Open Meetings Law, as well as other laws, help to ensure governments’ accountability to the people.

Expanding the Definition of Public Body in the Open Meetings Law
(A.924-A, Paulin)

This law amends the definition of the term “public body” in the Public Officers Law to include any entity created or appointed to perform a necessary governmental function in the decision-making process, unless the provision of recommendations or guidance are purely advisory and do not require further action. This expands the number of bodies that are subject to the open meetings law.

Chapter 676 of the Laws of 2021

Public Body Meeting Minutes
(A.1108-A, Paulin)

This law requires public bodies that maintain a regularly and routinely updated website and utilize a high-speed internet connection to make meeting minutes available on the public body's website. Unabridged video recordings, unabridged audio recordings, or unabridged written transcripts may be posted in lieu of minutes.

Chapter 587 of the Laws of 2021

Availability of Documents During Public Meetings
(A.1228-A, Paulin)

This law requires documents to be discussed at open meetings be made available upon request or posted on the public body's website at least 24 hours prior to such open meeting.

Chapter 481 of the Laws of 2021

Hearing Impaired Accommodations in Public Buildings for Certain Hearings
(A.3924, Dickens)

This bill would require public bodies and public officers responsible for the scheduling of public hearings to provide the services of a qualified interpreter, if available, at no charge to persons who are hearing impaired and who make a written request for those services. In addition, public bodies and public officers responsible for the scheduling of public hearings would be required to equip any rooms that accommodate more than one hundred people and that are used for public hearings with assistive listening systems by January 1, 2022.

Passed the Assembly.

State Agency Copyright Protection
(A.4499, Galef)

This bill would eliminate the ability for New York State's government agencies to claim copyright protection when processing a freedom of information law request.

Passed the Assembly.

Prohibiting Agencies from Charging Fees for Frequently Requested FOIL Requests
(A.4677-A, Paulin)

This bill would clarify that agencies may not charge a fee for requested records in the case where an identical record has been prepared for a previous purpose within the past six months, and an electronic copy is available.

Passed the Assembly.

Public Employee Retirees
(A.5469, Englebright)

This bill would clarify that the name of a retiree in a public employees' retirement system is subject to disclosure under FOIL by amending the Public Officers Law to define "retiree" as a former officer or employee of a state agency, the legislature, or the judiciary who is also a member of a public employees' retirement system. This bill would also define "beneficiary" as a person chosen by a retiree to receive pension benefits following the retiree's death.

Passed the Assembly.

Open and Transparent Public Records
(A.5470, Englebright)

This law requires a particularized and specific justification for the denial of access to records under FOIL. In addition, this law provides that when an agency is considering denying access to records under the law enforcement exception to FOIL because disclosure would interfere with a judicial proceeding, then the decision of whether to grant access would be made by the judge presiding over that judicial proceeding. This law also clarifies that a denial of access to records under FOIL does not prevent a person from obtaining records under any other law, and that parties to any civil or criminal action or proceeding can use FOIL to obtain records concerning the action or proceeding. Furthermore, this law clarifies that access to a record cannot be withheld due to the type or category of record or solely because it relates in some manner to an investigation or criminal proceeding.

Chapter 808 of the Laws of 2021

VI. GOVERNMENTAL ADMINISTRATION AND REFORM

The Governmental Operations Committee has jurisdiction over bills that seek to amend the Public Officers Law, the Legislative Law and other laws that regulate many of the actions of state government and public employees. Many of these laws are important components of efforts to make government more open and responsive.

Authorizing Notarizations to be Conducted through an Electronic Process
(A.399-B, Rozic)

This law sets forth registration requirements for electronic notaries public. It establishes that notarial acts can be performed electronically, subjects to certain requirements. The law sets forth instructions on how electronic notarization is to be performed and includes consumer protections the process. Additionally, this law clarifies that notaries public may collect additional fees for electronic notarial services, as authorized by the Secretary of State.

Chapter 767 of the Laws of 2021

Establishing Updated Requirements for the Governor During a Disaster Emergency
(A. 5967, Heastie)

This law limits the authority of the governor to issue directives and restore a greater balance of power between the legislature and the executive. The authority to issue directives, was a power granted in 2020 to the governor to supplement already existing authority during a state disaster emergency to issue an executive order to temporarily suspend specific provisions of any statute, local law, ordinance, or orders, rules or regulations during a state of emergency. The authority to issue a directive by executive order was intended to give the governor clear legal authority to respond appropriately to impending disaster and to give the governor the ability to affirmatively direct that an action be taken in the interest of the health or welfare of the public which was necessary to aid the disaster response effort. This law requires that all directives have commissioner of health certification that they are intended to address the spread of COVID-19 and would require advance notice to the legislature. In addition, any directives that were in effect when the bill became law, were allowed to be extended for 30 days unless the governor followed a specific process to extend or modify such directive. The authority of the governor to issue any new directive was removed and already existing directives were given specific limitations. This law also requires that suspensions of law and directives are posted on the website of the governor in a searchable format to provide for greater accountability. This law also provided that the legislature has the authority to terminate any executive order issued under the section at any time.

Chapter 71 of the laws of 2020

Demographic Information Collection by State Agencies
(A.6896-A Niou)

This law requires every state agency, board, or commission that directly, or by contract, collects data about the ethnic origins of New York state residents to use separate categories for a number of major Asian groups, including, but not limited to, Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Korean, Vietnamese, Asian Indian, Laotian, Cambodian, Bangladeshi, Hmong, Indonesian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, Nepalese, Burmese, Tibetan, and each major Pacific Islander group, including, but not limited to, Thai Hawaiian, Guamanian, Samoan, Fijian and Tongan.

Chapter 745 of the Laws of 2021

Designating Agency Small Business Liaisons
(A.3456, McDonald)

This law creates a small business liaison within the Departments of Agriculture and Markets, Environmental Conservation, Labor, Transportation, and Taxation and Finance by designating an existing employee to assist small business in a variety of ways including: serving as the primary contact for small businesses, being equipped with basic information on the agency, as well as helping small businesses navigate the agency bureaucracy, hear and report concerns of small businesses.

Chapter 641 of the Laws of 2021

Implementing Translation Technology into State Websites
(A.6215-A, Niou)

This law requires the Office of Information Technology Services to assist state agencies in implementing language translation technology on their websites within 30 days for all sites containing information about COVID-19 or programs, benefits or services related to COVID-19. The language translation technology must allow users to translate the text of the website into at least the twelve most common non-English languages spoken by individuals with limited-English proficiency in the State of New York. All other state agency websites would be required to incorporate this technology within 90 days.

Chapter 785 of the Laws of 2021

Establishing Innovative Techniques within the Rulemaking Process **(A.6267, Mamdani)**

This law enhances the ability of the public to participate more meaningfully in the rule-making process by permitting agencies to use innovative techniques in organizing public hearings on proposed rules, and establishes a 3-year pilot project for seven major regulatory agencies to hold public hearings upon petition of 125 or more New York residents.

Chapter 801 of the Laws of 2021

Clarifying Procedures Related to the Independent Redistricting Commission **(A.7948, Rodriguez)**

This law clarifies that if the independent redistricting commission fails to vote on any redistricting plan or plans by the date required for submission, then all plans in the possession of the commission, both completed and in draft form, as well as the data the plans are based upon shall be submitted to the legislature for the purpose of introducing and voting on implementing legislation. Under the previous law there is not a provision requiring the commission to submit any draft plans or data that the plans are based off of to the legislature in the event that the commission fails to vote on any redistricting plan.

Chapter 633 of the Laws of 2021

VII. PROCUREMENT AND STATE CONTRACTS

One important function of the Governmental Operations Committee is to review the procurement laws and regulations. The Committee is also interested in monitoring the contracts of the state.

Industrial Painting and Coating Procurement Contracts **(A.743-A, Wallace)**

This law requires the Office of General Services to establish guidelines concerning the procurement of industrial painting and industrial coating. Contractors doing this type of work would then need to follow these guidelines and certify that their work meets these minimum standards. The bill outlines what the office will need to examine when crafting the guidelines.

Chapter 613 of the Laws of 2021

Low Embodied Carbon Concrete Contracts **(A.2591-A, Carroll)**

This law requires the Office of General Services to establish guidelines concerning the procurement of low embodied carbon concrete. Contractors doing this type of work would then need to follow these guidelines and certify that both their work and the concrete they have procured will meet these minimum guidelines. The bill outlines what the office will need to examine when crafting the guidelines including incentives for the procurement and usage of low embodied carbon concrete by contractors.

Chapter 724 of the Laws of 2021

Limited Liability Company Owners of State Leased Property **(A.3203-A, McDonald)**

This bill would require that when the Office of General Services enters into a real property lease with a Limited Liability Company (LLC) and the State of New York is the tenant, the names and residential addresses of the natural persons who are members, managers, or other authorized persons of such LLC must be disclosed.

Passed the Assembly.

Ensuring the Integrity of the MWBE Program **(A.4173, Rodriguez)**

This bill would reduce fraud and abuse related to the MWBE program by, amongst other measures, requiring the development of standardized certification forms to be completed under penalty of perjury, which would require a certification from the prime contractor that the MWBE in fact performed the services or provided the materials. The MWBE would also be required to certify that they in fact performed the services or provided the materials they were contracted to perform or provide. In addition, this bill would establish the “Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Fund” as a fund of the State.

Passed the Assembly.

Disclosure of Incumbent Contractors in Procurement Notices **(A.4913-A, Zebrowski)**

This law requires the disclosure of any incumbent that has been awarded an identical or substantially similar procurement contract within the past five years in the procurement opportunities newsletter published by the Commissioner of Economic Development.

Chapter 662 of the Laws of 2021

Equal Pay Disclosure by State Contractors

(A.5773, Glick)

This bill would require equal pay disclosure with respect to state contracts by requiring state contractors to submit a report on employee compensation to the New York State Comptroller. The bill would authorize the New York State Comptroller to promulgate regulations to require contracting agencies to take the equal pay reports into account as a wider consideration of several factors when determining the award of a state contract, and deem a contractor who fails to comply with equal pay disclosure liable to the contracting agency for liquidated or other appropriate damages.

Passed the Assembly.

Discretionary Purchasing for Business Services

(A.7327, Zebrowski)

This law increases the discretionary purchase limit for services and commodities for transactions processed by OGS's Business Services Center on behalf of its customer agencies to align with the OGS limit. This will save the state time and resources when purchasing services.

Chapter 257 of the Laws of 2021

Increasing Minority Group and Woman Hiring Opportunities

(A.7498, Bichotte Hermelyn)

This law increases the diversity in the workforce of the construction industry by requiring additional coordination between the Industrial Commissioner and the Director of the Division of Minority- and Women-Owned Businesses Development to help increase access to minority and women workers.

Chapter 825 of the Laws of 2021

Publication of Minority- and Woman – Owned Business Waivers of Compliance

(A.7689, Pichardo)

This law increases Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise state contract transparency, by requiring that upon the issuance of any waiver of compliance, the contracting agency must publish certain information on their website, and in a location accessible to the general public, including whether the compliance waiver was a partial or total waiver.

Chapter 348 of the Laws of 2021.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Studying the Use of Solid Antimicrobial Materials **(A.998-A, Buttenschon)**

This bill would require the Department of Health, in consultation with the Office of General Services, to conduct a study on the use of solid antimicrobial materials for touch surfaces in the construction of public buildings in New York.

Passed the Assembly.

Establishing a Task Force to Explore the Effects of Cyber-Bullying in New York State **(A.2206, Barrett)**

This law establishes a task force to conduct a study on cyber bullying, and requires the task force to report findings, conclusions and recommendations to address cyber bullying to the governor and to the legislature.

Chapter 483 of the Laws of 2021.

Establishes the New York State Community Commission on Reparations Remedies **(A.2619-A, Barron)**

This bill would establish a New York state community commission on reparations remedies and outline the membership composition as well as the commission's duties and powers.

Passed the Assembly.

Residency Exemption **(A.2575, Woerner)**

This law amends the Public Officers Law, in relation to the residency requirements of the person holding the office of city attorney of the City of Mechanicville, in Saratoga County.

Chapter 116 of the Laws of 2021

Establishing the Office of the Advocate for People with Disabilities **(A.3130, Steck)**

This law establishes an “Office of the Advocate for People with Disabilities” within the Department of State to advise and assist state agencies in developing policies designed to help meet the needs of persons with disabilities.

Chapter 834 of the Laws of 2021

Designating Baseball the Official Sport of New York State **(A.5156, Benedetto)**

This law designates baseball as the official sport of New York State. New York State has so many connections with the sport of baseball, most notably housing the official Baseball Hall of Fame located in Cooperstown. This historical attraction lures tourists from around the world, honoring the greatest teams and players in the game (56 players from 5 New York teams alone). Baseball was, it is believed, founded in Cooperstown by Abner Doubleday, and New York offers a "Birthplace of Baseball" license plate. Aside from this attraction, baseball has always been known to be as American as apple pie. It is a sport loved and watched by many, and this legislation is a means of honoring all that this iconic sport has done for the people of New York since its origination in Cooperstown in 1839. This legislation came as a proposal by Cooperstown Elementary School's 2015-16 fourth grade class.

Chapter 318 of the Laws of 2021

Land Transfer **(A.5338, Giglio)**

This bill authorizes the Commissioner of General Services to transfer and convey certain unappropriated state land in the Town of Cuba to the Cuba Lake Management Fund.

Passed the Assembly

Residency Exemption **(A.5395-A, Smullen)**

This law amends the Public Officers Law, in relation to the residency requirements for the office of treasurer, village clerk and code enforcement officer of the village of Northville in Fulton County.

Chapter 292 of the Laws of 2021

Establishing a Working Group to Promote Racial Equity Throughout the State **(A.5679-A, Darling)**

This law declares racism a public health crisis and to establish a working group to promote racial equity throughout the state. The law outlines the composition of the membership of the working group and provide the issues for the working group to examine.

Chapter 775 of the Laws of 2021

Residency Exemption

(A.6330-A, Bronson)

This law amends the Public Officers Law, in relation to the residency requirements of the person holding the office of peace officer for the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals in Monroe County.

Chapter 371 of the Laws of 2021

Residency Exemption

(A.7250, Zebrowski)

This law amends the Public Officers Law, in relation to the residency requirements of the person holding the office of assessor of the village of Upper Nyack in Rockland County.

Chapter 365 of the Laws of 2021

Land Transfer

(A.7485-A, Ramos)

This law amends a previous land transfer authorizing the commissioner of general services to remove certain restrictions related to unappropriated state land in exchange for reasonable consideration.

Chapter 332 of the Laws of 2021

Residency Exemption

(A.7639, Galef)

This bill would amend the Public Officers Law, in relation to the residency requirements of the person holding the office of peace officer for the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals in Putnam County.

Chapter 263 of the Laws of 2021

Establishing a Commission to Prevent Childhood Drowning

(A.7734, Pheffer Amato)

This law establishes a temporary commission to prevent childhood drowning and improve water safety in New York State. The law establishes the membership requirements and goals of the commission.

Chapter 756 of the Laws of 2021

IX. COMMITTEE HEARINGS AND ROUNDTABLES

Evaluating the Potential Costs and Benefits of Authorizing Remote Notarial Transactions

A wide variety of professions and government entities use notarization as an essential tool for document authentication. For many years notarizations have been completed in person. However, during the COVID-19 pandemic it became difficult to conduct business safely in person. As a result, the governor issued an executive order authorizing notarizations to be done through a remote process. On May 7th 2021 the committees on Governmental Operations, Consumer Affairs and Protection, Banks and Judiciary gathered to examine the costs and benefits of authorizing licensed notaries public to conduct notarizations through electronic or remote methods. This hearing brought together various stakeholders to discuss the impact of authorizing licensed notaries public to conduct notarizations through electronic or remote means. This hearing resulted in the passage of A.399-B (Rozic) which established an electronic notarization program to be regulated by the Department of State.

X. OUTLOOK FOR THE 2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

During the 2022 legislative session, the Committee on Governmental Operations will continue to focus on protecting the safety and rights of New Yorkers and increasing the efficiency and openness of government. The Committee will continue to advance legislation advocating more effective disaster preparedness, greater fairness for crime victims and increased opportunities and economic equity for small businesses. In addition, the Committee will continue to investigate solutions to protect the State and its citizens from various cybersecurity threats, and ensure that the State is well prepared for emerging technologies.

Additionally, the Committee will continue to monitor and review the State's procurement laws in order to ensure that the procurement process remains fair, open, transparent and competitive.

APPENDIX A

2021 SUMMARY SHEET

SUMMARY OF ACTION ON ALL BILLS

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON

Governmental Operations

TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD 9

ASSEMBLY SENATE TOTAL
BILLS BILLS BILLS

BILLS REPORTED FAVORABLE TO:

| | | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Codes | 20 | 0 | 20 |
| Judiciary | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ways and Means | 21 | 0 | 21 |
| Rules | 23 | 0 | 23 |
| Floor | 10 | 0 | 10 |
| TOTAL | 74 | 0 | 74 |

COMMITTEE ACTION

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| Held For Consideration | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Defeated | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Enacting Clause Stricken | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| REMAINING IN COMMITTEE | 557 | 60 | 617 |

BILLS REFERENCE CHANGED TO:

Banks -1

Health-1

Judiciary-3

Correction-1

Governmental Emp-2
Local Governments -1

Ways and Means – 4

Veterans' Affairs-1

Tourism Parks Arts and Sports Development -1

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| TOTAL | 15 | 0 | 15 |
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**APPENDIX B
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| A.399-B | Rozic | Relates to providing for electronic notarization Chapter 767 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.743-A | Wallace | Relates to certain contracts involving industrial painting and industrial coatings Chapter 613 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.924-A | Paulin | Amends the definition of "public body" Chapter 676 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.1108-A | Paulin | Requires that minutes of meetings of a public body be posted on its website Chapter 587 of the Laws of 2021 |
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| A.2575 | Woerner | Expands the waiver of the residency requirement for the city attorney in the city of Mechanicville, Saratoga county Chapter 116 of the Laws of 2021 |
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| | | Chapter 654 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7485-A | Ramos | Relates to exempting a certain parcel of land in the town of Islip from certain use restrictions Chapter 332 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7506 | Clark | Relates to securing grease traps and interceptors at food establishments Chapter 753 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7612 | Otis | Relates to the notification of certain state agencies of a data breach or network security breach Chapter 796 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7639 | Galef | Relates to residency requirements for certain peace officers in Putnam county Chapter 263 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7498 | Bichotte Hermelyn | Relates to assisting contractors to identify minority group members and women for hiring opportunities Chapter 825 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7689 | Pichardo | Relates to the publication of information regarding waivers of compliance with state contract provisions concerning minority and women-owned business enterprise participation requirements Chapter 348 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7734 | Pheffer Amato | Creates a temporary "commission to prevent childhood drowning" Chapter 756 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.7948 | Rodriguez | Relates to redistricting of congressional, senate and assembly districts Chapter 663 of the Laws of 2021 |
| A.8007 | Rajkumar | Relates to the definition of the term employee for purposes of the human rights law Chapter 830 of the Laws of 2021 |

**APPENDIX C
VETOES OF 2021**

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| A.7729 | Peoples-Stokes | Relates to the definition of qualified agencies Veto Memo 76 |
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**APPENDIX D
BILLS THAT PASSED THE ASSEMBLY**

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| A.998-A | Buttenschon | Relates to conducting a study on the use of solid antimicrobial materials for touch surfaces in the construction of public |
| A.2619-A | Barron | Establishes the New York state community commission on reparations remedies |
| A.3203-A | McDonald | Relates to the authority of the commissioner of general services to lease public buildings |
| A.4173 | Rodriguez | Relates to minority- and women-owned business enterprises post completion certification, duties of the director and creating the minority- and women-owned business enterprise fund |
| A.3924 | Dickens | Requires public officers and bodies to provide interpreters and assistive listening devices for the hearing impaired at public hearings under certain conditions |
| A.4499 | Galef | Relates to the ability of government agencies in New York to claim copyright protection |
| A.4677-A | Paulin | Prohibits agencies from charging a fee for records where an electronic copy is already available from a previous request made within the past six months |
| A.5338 | Giglio, JM | Relates to the sale of certain lands in the towns of Cuba, Allegany county and Ischua, Cattaraugus county, and the disbursement of monies from the Cuba lake management fund |
| A.5469 | Englebright | Relates to defining the terms "retiree" and "beneficiary" within the freedom of information law |
| A.5773 | Glick | Relates to equal pay disclosure with respect to state contracts |
| A.7121 | Kelles | Waives state's sovereign immunity to liability under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and certain other federal acts |
| A.7489 | Wallace | Relates to victim compensation for unlawful surveillance crimes |