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## **FINANCIAL PLAN**

#### **Financial Plan**

The Legislative Budget projects General Fund spending to total \$70.7 billion, which is an increase of \$7.6 billion or 11.97 percent over State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2014-15. This large annual growth includes the transfer of \$4.6 billion in settlement monies from the General Fund to the Dedicated Infrastructure Investment Fund. Total State spending inclusive of Special Revenue and Capital Projects Funds is projected to be \$102.8 billion, for growth of \$4.2 billion or 4.2 percent over last year.

The Legislative All Funds budget, which includes Federal spending, is estimated to total \$150.3 billion, for growth of 5.1 percent. This growth includes extraordinary Federal funds to support the clean-up of Superstorm Sandy and provisions of the Affordable Care Act. Absent these funds, the All Funds budget is projected to total \$142.5 billion, an increase of 3.5 percent over last year.

Reserves at the end of the fiscal year are estimated to total \$3.2 billion which includes \$1.3 billion in the Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund, \$850 million to meet Financial Plan risks, and \$1.1 billion in other reserve funds.

#### CASH FINANCIAL PLAN GENERAL FUND Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2014-15 vs Enacted Plan 2015-16 (millions of dollars)

	2014-15 Estimated Closeout	2015-16 Enacted Plan	Change
Opening fund balance	2,235	7,768	5,533
Receipts:			
Taxes			
Personal Income Tax	29,486	31,730	2,244
User taxes and fees	6,700	7,002	302
Business taxes	5,576	5 <i>,</i> 894	318
Other taxes	1,188	1,124	(64)
Miscellaneous receipts	8,874	3,131	(5,743)
Federal grants	2	0	(2)
Transfers from other funds			
- PIT Revenue Bond	9,030	9,739	709
- LGAC	2,660	2,795	135
-Sales Tax	2,968	2,996	28
- RETT	826	844	18
- All other	1,404	953	(451)
Total Receipts	68,714	66,207	(2,507)
Disbursements:			
Grants to local governments	41,986	44,348	2,362
State operations	7,872	8,236	364
General State charges	4,977	5,148	171
Transfers to other funds			
- Debt service	1,291	560	(731)
- Capital projects	888	6,033	5,145
- State Share Medicaid	1,448	1,312	(136)
- Other purposes	4,719	5,109	390
Total Disbursements	63,181	70,746	7,565
Change in fund balance	5,533	(4,539)	
Closing fund balance	7,768	3,229	
Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund	1,256	1,256	
Rainy Day Fund	540	540	
Contingency Reserve Fund	21	21	
Community Projects Fund	0	0	
Reserved for Debt Management	500	500	
Reserved for Prior Year Labor Agreements (2007-11)	51	62	
Financial Plan Risks	5,400	850	

#### CASH FINANCIAL PLAN STATE OPERATING FUNDS Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2014-15 vs Enacted Plan 2015-16 (millions of dollars)

	2014-15 Estimated Closeout	2015-16 Enacted Plan	Change
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Opening fund balance	4,789	9,946	5,157
Receipts:			
Taxes	69,150	73,090	3,940
Miscellaneous receipts	25,540	19,609	(5,931)
Federal grants	76	74	(2)
Total Receipts	94,766	92,773	(1,994)
Disbursements:			
Grants to local governments	61,100	63,114	2,014
State operations	18,371	18,645	274
General State charges	7,072	7,289	217
Debt service	5,833	5,171	(662)
Capital projects	0	1	1
Total Disbursements	92,376	94,221	1,845
Other financing sources (uses)		20.247	(170)
Transfers from other funds	29,723	29,247	(476)
Transfers to other funds	(26,956)	(31,800)	(4,844)
Bond and note proceeds	0	0	0
Net other financing sources (uses)	2,767	(2,553)	(5,320)
Deposit to/(use of) Community Projects Fund	0	0	
Deposit to/(use of) Prior Year Reserves	0	0	
Deposit to/(use of) Debt Reduction Reserve	0		
Change in fund balance	5,157	(4,001)	
Closing fund balance	9,946	5,945	

#### CASH FINANCIAL PLAN STATE FUNDS Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2014-15 vs Enacted Plan 2015-16 (millions of dollars)

	2014-15 Estimated Closeout	2015-16 Enacted Plan	Change
Opening fund balance	4,369	9,663	5,294
Receipts:			
Taxes	70,512	74,436	3,924
Miscellaneous receipts	30,314	25,167	(5,147)
Federal grants	81	79	(2)
Total Receipts	100,907	99,682	(1,226)
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Disbursements: Grants to local governments	62,646	65,506	2,860
State operations	18,371	18,645	2,800
General State charges	7,072	7,289	217
Debt service	5,833	5,171	(662)
Capital projects	4,745	6,217	1,472
Total Disbursements	98,667	102,829	4,162
Other financing sources (uses) Transfers from other funds	21 100	25.044	4 624
Transfers from other funds Transfers to other funds	31,190	35,814	4,624
	(28,442) 306	(33,264) 704	(4,822) 398
Bond and note proceeds	306	704	398
Net other financing sources (uses)	3,054	3,254	200
Deposit to/(use of) Community Projects Fund	0	0	
Deposit to/(use of) Prior Year Reserves	0	0	
Deposit to/(use of) Debt Reduction Reserve			
Change in fund balance	5,294	107	
Closing fund balance	9,663	9,770	

#### CASH FINANCIAL PLAN ALL FUNDS Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2014-15 vs Enacted Plan 2015-16 (millions of dollars)

	2014-15 Estimated Closeout	2015-16 Enacted Plan	Change
Opening fund balance	4,035	9,267	5,232
Receipts:			
Taxes	70,512	74,436	3,924
Miscellaneous receipts	30,426	25,278	(5,148)
Federal grants	47,035	49,840	2,805
Total Receipts	147,973	149,554	1,581
Disbursements:			
Grants to local governments	103,880	110,374	6,494
State operations	20,160	20,294	134
General State charges	7,372	7,595	223
Debt service	5,833	5,171	(662)
Capital projects	5,757	6,914	1,157
Total Disbursements	143,002	150,348	7,346
Other financing sources (uses)			
Transfers from other funds	30,363	35,139	4,776
Transfers to other funds	(30,408)	(35,148)	(4,740)
Bond and note proceeds	306	958	652
Net other financing sources (uses)	261	949	688
Deposit to/(use of) Community Projects Fund	0		
Deposit to/(use of) Prior Year Reserves	0		
Deposit to/(use of) Debt Reduction Reserve	0		
Change in fund balance	5,232	155	
Closing fund balance	9,267	9,422	

#### **Revenue Actions**

The Legislative Budget includes the following Tax Law changes:

• Limits the New York City STAR Personal Income Tax (PIT) credit to taxpayers with income under \$500,000.

This action reduces spending by \$41 million in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2015-16 and by \$51 million each year thereafter.

• Recoups improperly granted STAR exemptions, with a three-year look-back period.

This action increases revenue by \$1 million in SFY 2015-16.

• Allows homeowners who registered for the STAR exemption with the Department of Taxation and Finance but failed to file timely applications with local assessors to receive the exemption for tax year 2014.

This action reduces revenue by \$1 million in SFY 2015-16.

• Extends for two years the current limitation on charitable contributions deductions for incomes over \$1 million.

This action increases revenue by \$70 million in SFY 2016-17, \$140 million in SFY 2017-18, and \$70 million in SFY 2018-19.

• Technical amendments to the PIT and MTA Payroll Tax; allows farming businesses to benefit from the 20 percent real property tax credit for manufacturers in those cases where a taxpayer leases real property from related or unrelated parties.

No fiscal impact.

• Enhances reporting requirements for the Commercial Production credit.

No fiscal impact.

• Amends the Excelsior Jobs program to include entertainment companies, video game development, and music productions.

No fiscal impact.

• Provides for an employee training credit and a credit for hiring interns in advanced technology.

No fiscal impact.

• Codifies the Utility tax on mobile telecommunications companies.

This action reduces revenue by \$3.5 million in SFY 2015-16 and preserves current revenue thereafter.

• Combines the Department of State biennial information statement and tax return filings and repeals the \$9 Department of State filing fee.

This action will result in a loss of \$2 million in SFY 2015-16 and each year thereafter.

• Corporate tax reform technical amendments and definition changes to investment income and qualified financial instruments.

This action will increase revenue by \$7 million in SFY 2016-17 and \$30 million each year thereafter.

• Extends the wine tasting sales tax exemption to other alcoholic beverages.

No fiscal impact.

• Codifies local sales tax on prepaid wireless based on retail location.

No fiscal impact.

• Exempts solar power purchase agreements from State and local sales tax.

No fiscal impact.

• Allows petroleum business tax refunds for farm use of highway diesel motor fuel.

No fiscal impact.

• Estate tax reform technical amendments including extension of the applicability of the tax rate tables and clarification of gift add-back provisions.

No fiscal impact.

- Two year extension, through April 1, 2017, of warrantless wage garnishment provisions. This action increases revenue by \$15 million in each of SFYs 2015-16 and 2016-17.
- Extends the Video Lottery Gaming vendor's capital awards program for one year.

No fiscal impact.

• Extends certain tax rates and certain simulcasting provisions for one year.

No fiscal impact.

• Expands electronic gaming offerings at Video Lottery Gaming facilities to include games that combine elements of chance and skill.

This action increases revenues by \$20 million in SFY 2015-16 and \$40 million each year thereafter.

• Extends the term of the Reorganization Board of the New York Racing Association for an additional year, for a maximum term of four years.

No fiscal impact.

• Amends the electric vehicle recharging property credit to exclude grants received from the calculation of the credit.

No fiscal impact.

• Caps the sales tax for vessels worth over \$230,000 and requires registration if a vessel is operated in the State for 90 or more consecutive days.

No fiscal impact.

• Exempts general aviation aircraft from the sales and compensating use tax.

This action will result in a loss of \$10 million in revenues in SFY 2015-16 and thereafter.

• Exempts from sales tax certain related persons' tangible personal property or services transactions related to requirements pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform. The exemption sunsets on June 30, 2019.

No fiscal impact.

• Increases the cap on deductions from an owner's share of purses to two percent for the cost of workers' compensation insurance for the New York Jockey Injury Compensation Fund, until April 1, 2017.

No fiscal impact.

• Extends by one year the current rates for the Monticello Raceway Video Lottery Terminals.

This action reduces revenues by \$2 million in SFY 2015-16.

• Amends the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law to specify payments in the context of a multi-jurisdictional account wagering provider.

No fiscal impact.

• Exempts public libraries from the MTA Payroll Tax.

This action will reduce revenues by \$1.3 million in SFY 2016-17 and thereafter.

# PUBLIC PROTECTION & GENERAL GOVERNMENT

By Agency

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$18.1 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Audit and Control

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$316.45 million, an increase of \$8.7 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to transfer the Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Administration Program to the Department of Environmental Conservation and restores \$513,000 along with 10 Full Time Equivalent positions.
- The Legislature increases Internal Service Fund appropriations for the Chief Information Office and Executive Direction Programs by an aggregate \$8.17 million in order to more effectively manage centralized service operations.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of the Budget

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$50.71 million, a \$527,000 increase over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$527,000 for the costs of dues for certain membership organizations including the Council of State Governments, the National Conference of State Legislatures and the National Conference of Insurance Legislators.
- The Legislature rejects Lean Certification Bonus Authority language.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Civil Service

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$50.9 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Corrections and Community Supervision

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.95 billion.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature modifies appropriation language to allow the Osborne Association's re-entry program at Queensboro Correctional Facility to also operate at other facilities, as determined by the Commissioner.

#### Capital Projects

• The Legislature provides \$3 million to support the Osborne Association's continued renovation and reuse of the former Fulton Correction Facility.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to allow the Commissioner to make the determination regarding the medical parole release of certain non-violent offenders suffering from a terminal illness, and to require any such releases to be approved by the Chair of the Parole Board.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Commission of Correction

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.89 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Criminal Justice Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$267.62 million, a net increase of \$15.93 million from the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature restores a total of \$715,267 for Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) Programs.
- The Legislature restores funding for the New York State Defenders Association at \$2.09 million, an increase of \$1 million from the Executive proposal.
- The Legislature provides \$2.2 million for domestic violence related civil and criminal legal services providers.
- The Legislature restores \$600,000 in support for immigrant legal services.
- The Legislature restores a legislative share of the Federal Edward Byrne/Justice Assistance Grants at \$600,000.
- The Legislature provides \$5.58 million in Legal Services Assistance Fund (ISAF) support as follows:
  - \$2.83 million for civil and criminal legal service grants;
  - \$1.2 million in additional support for Prisoners' Legal Services, for a total funding of \$2.2 million;
  - \$950,000 for Domestic Violence Legal Services; and
  - \$600,000 for the Indigent Parolee program.

- The Legislature provides General Fund support for the following programs:
  - \$2.9 million for law enforcement, drug, violence and crime control and prevention programs;
  - \$2.7 million for rape crisis centers;
  - \$604,000 for law enforcement and emergency services equipment and technology upgrades;
  - \$500,000 for Finger Lakes Law Enforcement;
  - \$316,000 for the Westchester Policing Program;
  - \$315,000 for Operation SNUG Bronx, Jacobi Medical Center Auxiliary;
  - \$250,000 for Brooklyn Legal Services Corp A;
  - \$250,000 for Community Service Society Record Repair Counseling Corps;
  - \$250,000 for the Legal Aid Society of Staten Island;
  - \$250,000 for Queens Child Guidance;
  - \$200,000 for the Vera Institute's Immigration Family Unity Project;
  - \$200,000 for the Legal Education Opportunity Program;
  - \$200,000 for NYPD Training through the Museum of Tolerance;
  - \$200,000 for the Vera Institute's Common Justice Initiative;
  - \$180,000 for the Legal Action Center;
  - \$175,000 for the Brooklyn Defender;
  - \$175,000 for the Consortium of the Niagara Frontier;
  - \$150,000 for the Greenpoint Outreach Domestic and Family Intervention Program;
  - \$150,000 for Friends of Island Academy;

- \$127,000 for the Correctional Association;
- \$118,733 for Goddard Riverside Community Center;
- \$100,000 for Bailey House Project FIRST;
- \$100,000 for the Fortune Society;
- \$100,000 for John Jay College;
- \$100,000 for the Neighborhood Initiatives Development Corporation;
- \$100,000 for the Bronx County NYPD Community-Police Relations Program;
- \$100,000 for the District Attorney Office in Queens County;
- \$100,000 for the District Attorney Office in Richmond County;
- \$75,000 for Groundswell;
- \$65,000 for the District Attorney Office in Rockland County;
- \$50,000 for Exodus Transitional Community;
- \$50,000 for Harlem Mothers S.A.V.E.;
- \$50,000 for the Mohawk Consortium;
- \$31,000 for the Osborne Association;
- \$30,000 for the NYU Veteran's Entrepreneurship Program;
- \$26,000 for the Bergen Basin Community Development Corporation;
- \$20,000 for the Jacob Riis Settlement House; and
- \$19,000 for the Elmcor Youth and Adult Activities Program.

#### **Capital Projects**

#### Article VII

- The Legislature removes Article VII legislation proposed by the Executive to enact certain reforms to the criminal justice system and will hold hearings to provide legislators with the opportunity to hear from community leaders, law enforcement officials, legal experts and other stakeholders to ensure that these important issues are considered in an open forum and to facilitate the enactment of meaningful reforms.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to substitute "use immunity" for "transactional immunity."
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend certain criminal justice programs for an additional two years. Provisions related to district attorney settlements are extended for one year, at which point a report is required.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State Board of Elections

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$11.48 million, an increase of \$342,000 over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature restores funding in the amount of \$342,000 for contractual services relating to certain printing and publication requirements.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate certain printing and publication requirements related to public campaigns.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal for altering campaign finance measures and a public campaign financing system.
- The Legislature includes language to better define the use of campaign contributions for personal use and provides that the State Board of Elections issue advisory opinions regarding such use. Advisory opinions would be binding on the State Board of Elections chief enforcement counsel and in all future civil, criminal and administrative proceedings.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Employee Relations

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.81 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Executive Chamber and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$18.48 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Financial Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$425.6 million, a \$250,000 increase over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature restores \$250,000 for the Continuation Assistance Demonstration Program for Entertainment Industry Employees.

#### Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal related to requiring tax clearance for physicians participating in the Excess Medical Malpractice Pool by rejecting the tax clearance provision and extending the program by one year.
- The Legislature includes language to extend provisions which exempt medical malpractice insurers from risk-based capital reporting requirements and limits the circumstances where the Superintendent of Financial Services can order a medical malpractice insurer to rehabilitation or liquidation.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the Continuation Assistance Demonstration Program for Entertainment Industry Employees.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of General Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.27 billion.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to transfer certain Division of State Police employees to OGS in order to work in the Business Services Center. Special authorization is required because these employees are covered under Executive Law rather than Civil Service Law.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the authority of OGS to enter into construction contracts without a formal competitive bidding process after an emergency. The Legislature also modifies the Executive proposal to increase the threshold for such contracts from \$300,000 to \$600,000, instead of \$1,000,000, as originally proposed.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to increase the authority of OGS to delegate the responsibility of executing small capital construction projects to other agencies by increasing the threshold for such projects from \$50,000 to \$150,000.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$935.86 million, a net increase of \$500,000 from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature provides an additional \$500,000 in support for Red Cross emergency response preparedness.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Indigent Legal Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$87 million, a net increase of \$100,000 from the Executive proposal.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature provides an additional \$100,000 to support the operational activities of the Office, including implementation of the Hurrell-Harring settlement agreement.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of the Inspector General

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.89 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York Interest on Lawyer Account

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$46.84 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Law

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$226.06 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Military and Naval Affairs

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$117.51 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.94 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Public Employee Relations Board

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.98 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

# **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Joint Commission on Public Ethics

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$5.58 million, a \$1.2 million increase over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature provides an additional \$1.2 million which may only be used to administer and enforce provisions related to ethics reform.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

- The Legislature includes language to:
  - Expand the disclosure of clients and customers of public officials that practice law, are licensed as real estate brokers, or practice a profession licensed by the Department of Education;
  - Reform per diem provisions including increased verification;
  - Provide that all public officials in a state or municipal retirement system could be subject to pension forfeiture if convicted of certain felonies regardless of the date they entered the system;
  - Expands the definition of "independent expenditure" to include any communication referencing a clearly identified candidate and made within 60 days before a general or special election or 30 days before a primary election; and

• Enhance the definition of the use of campaign contributions for personal use and provide that the State Board of Elections shall issue advisory opinions regarding such use.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Judicial Commissions

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$5.65 million, a net increase of \$100,000 from the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

• The Legislature provides an additional \$100,000 to support the operations of the Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

**Capital Projects** 

• Not applicable.

Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of State Police

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$709.21 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Article VII

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to transfer certain Division of State Police employees to OGS in order to work in the Business Services Center.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Statewide Financial System

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$11.14 million.

# **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

# **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Information Technology Services (ITS)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$933.9 million.

## State Operations

• The Legislature modifies an Executive proposal to provide \$2 million to support one-time annual bonuses and training to eligible State employees who are certified in emerging high-demand technology skills. Instead, the Legislature supports only training would be provided to these state employees, not bonuses.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

# Capital Projects

• The Legislature reduces reappropriation authority for capital projects by \$7 million.

## Article VII

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to allow term appointments to be made without examination, for a maximum of 60 months to positions in ITS that require special expertise in information technology.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to reclassify certain Civil Service titles that were transferred to ITS from other State agencies. Instead, this proposal specifically applies to four non-competitive titles to be transferred.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Veterans' Affairs

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$11.1 million, a \$1.75 million increase over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

- The Legislature adds \$1.75 million as follows:
  - \$25,000 to the Vietnam Veterans of America NYS Council;
  - \$50,000 to the VFW Buffalo Service office;
  - \$75,000 to the VFW New York City Service office;
  - \$100,000 to the Veterans Justice Project;
  - **\$100,000 to the** SAGE Veterans' Project;
  - \$200,000 to the Warrior Salute;
  - \$200,000 to the Legal Services of the Hudson Valley Veterans and Military Families Advocacy Project;
  - \$250,000 to the Veterans Outreach Center, Monroe County;
  - $\circ$  \$250,000 to the American Legion Department of NY for indigent burial expenses; and
  - \$500,000 to the NYS Defenders Association Veterans Defense Program.

## Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Victim Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$112.53 million, a net increase of \$900,000 from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

• The Legislature provides \$900,000 in additional support for rape crisis centers.

**Capital Projects** 

• Not applicable.

Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Workers' Compensation Board

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$247.24 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature accepts the proposal to repeal certain fees.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget General State Charges

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.6 billion.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to increase salaries of Management Confidential (M/C) employees by 7.18 percent over the next four State fiscal years to provide increases that were previously authorized, but withheld. The Legislature modifies the proposal to authorize payment of withheld salary and step increases unless an employee is at or above the job rate, and authorizes the Director of Budget to review raises on an individual basis and provide an increase to additional M/C employees as appropriate.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive budget proposal to authorize the Commissioner of the Department of Civil Service to establish an amnesty period for the New York State Health Insurance Plan (NYSHIP) audit in the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016. The Legislature clarifies that all amnesty shall not exceed sixty days.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Miscellaneous: Public Protection and General Government

## Local Governments

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$865.3 million, an increase of \$13.9 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$2.0 million in Per Capita Aid to all villages.
- The Legislature provides \$9.8 million in Miscellaneous Financial Assistance which includes:
  - $\circ$  \$2.0 million to Nassau County for temporary highway and public safety assistance;
  - $\circ$  \$2.0 million to Suffolk County for temporary highway and public safety assistance;
  - \$2.0 million to City of Rochester for temporary municipal relief;
  - \$2.0 million to Onondaga County for a pilot project with the Syracuse City School District;
  - \$340,000 to the County of Franklin to mitigate shortfalls in real property taxes due to the loss of taxable lands to the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe;
  - \$340,000 to the County of Seneca to mitigate shortfalls in real property taxes due to the loss of taxable lands to the Cayuga Indian Nation of New York;
  - \$300,000 to the Village of Amityville for a flood mitigation project;
  - \$250,000 to the City of Oneonta;

- \$250,000 to Onondaga County for a shared services project with to the City of Syracuse;
- \$123,000 for the following villages:
  - \$75,000 to the Village of Mastic Beach;
  - \$27,000 to the Village of Woodbury;
  - \$19,000 to the Village of South Blooming Grove; and
  - \$2,000 to the Village of Sagaponack.
- \$100,000 to the Town of Babylon for a downtown revitalization project;
- \$92,500 to the County of Cayuga to mitigate shortfalls in real property taxes due to the loss of taxable lands to the Cayuga Indian Nation of New York; and
- \$50,000 to the Wyandanch Volunteer Fire Company.
- The Legislature provides a \$2.09 million increase for municipalities that host VLTs, reflecting an increase to \$29.3 million.

Capital Projects

• The Legislature accepts the \$150 million for Municipal Restructuring.

Article VII

• The Legislature has rejected the Executive's Article VII proposal to reduce VLT Aid from 70 percent to 55 percent of SFY 2008-09 amounts.

# EDUCATION, LABOR & FAMILY ASSISTANCE

By Agency

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Council on the Arts

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$46.88 million.

# **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

# **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget City University of New York (CUNY)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.12 billion, an increase of \$17.88 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$23.3 million for the Search for Elevation Education and Knowledge (SEEK) opportunity program, an increase of \$5 million over the Executive.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$500,000 for CUNY Leads, for total funding of \$1.5 million.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive Performance Improvement Plan proposal to focus on academics and access and to remove the linkage of the plan to operating funds.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive's plan to require the consolidation of back office functions, and instead requires SUNY and CUNY to collaborate and implement their own plan to streamline administrative functions.

## Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$6.22 million to increase base aid for CUNY Community Colleges by \$100 per full-time equivalent (FTE) student. Base aid will be funded at \$2,597 per FTE.
- The Legislature provides \$2.5 million to fund the Accelerated Study in Associates (ASAP) program.
- The Legislature provides funding of \$2.0 million for the Joseph Murphy Institute, which is \$1.5 million over the Executive proposal.
- The Legislature provides \$241,000 for the College Discovery Program, for total funding of \$1.12 million.
- The Legislature provides \$750,000 for CUNY Career Centers.

• The Legislature provides \$902,000 to CUNY Child Care Centers for total funding of \$1.7 million.

Capital Projects

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate the State Education Department's program and curriculum review for SUNY, CUNY, and independent colleges.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require that all students at SUNY and CUNY complete an experiential or applied learning activity as a requirement for graduation, and instead requires SUNY and CUNY schools to make these opportunities available and study what impacts making this requirement would have on each school's administration, graduation rates, and the local workforce.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State Education Department (SED)

The Legislature provides an All Funds, two year appropriation of \$57.5 billion, an increase of \$864.94 million over the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

- The Legislature provides an additional \$1 million to allow the Department to acquire the expertise of educators, testing experts, psychometricians and economists to support the implementation of the Annual Teacher and Principal Evaluation provision.
- The Legislature provides \$800,000 for facilities planning and management.

## Aid to Localities

#### Office of Prekindergarten through Grade Twelve Education

- The Legislature provides an overall increase to General Support for Public Schools (GSPS) of \$1.36 billion over the 2014-15 School Year (SY). This is an increase in formula based aids of \$1.30 billion or 5.97 percent for the 2015-16 School Year, and an increase in unrestricted aids of \$1.03 billion or 6.43 percent. The Legislature rejects the Executive's proposal to link the passage of the Education Opportunity Agenda to increases in School Aid for the 2015-16 SY. Total GSPS is funded at \$23.5 billion.
  - The Legislature increases Foundation Aid by \$428.2 million for the 2015-16 SY, for a total of \$15.86 billion.
  - The Legislature provides \$603.07 million for restoration of the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA), restoring more than 58 percent of the remaining GEA. Formula elements reflect enrollment increases, English Language Learners, students with extraordinary needs, and a minimum restoration for all districts.
  - The Legislature updates expense based aids to use current data, providing \$273 million in reimbursement to districts, at an additional cost of \$90 million over the Executive Budget.
- The Legislature modifies the Statewide Universal Full Day Prekindergarten program to allow grant awards to be continued notwithstanding whether such awarded funds were initially used for authorized start-up costs.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive's \$25 million grant for Prekindergarten for three year olds by expanding the grant amount to \$30 million, and program eligibility to include four year olds as well.
- The Legislature modifies and provides \$75 million for the Persistently Failing Schools Transformation grant program.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive grant provisions including the following:
  - \$3 million for Pathways in Technology and Early College High School (P-TECH);
  - \$5 million in Master Teacher awards;
  - \$3 million for QUALITYstarsNY; and
  - \$3 million for the School District Teacher Residency Program.
- The Legislature also includes the following:
  - a \$5 million increase for Library Aid for a total of \$91.6 million;
  - $\circ~$  a \$500,000 increase in aid to educational television and radio, for a total funding of \$14.5 million;
  - an additional \$1 million to increase Bilingual Education services for a total of \$14.5 million;
  - an additional \$5 million for Nonpublic School Aid over the Executive proposal, directed to the Comprehensive Attendance Policy program, for a total funding of \$171.4 million;
  - $\circ~$  \$14.3 million to restore Teacher Resources and Computer Training Center funding;
  - a \$1 million increase for Independent Living Centers for a total of \$13.4 million;
  - \$2.3 million, or 2.4 percent, in additional aid for Schools for the Blind and Deaf (4201 schools);
  - \$500,000 to restore funding for the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at SUNY Albany;
  - \$903,000 to preserve current staffing levels at the Henry Viscardi School;

- a \$1.2 million restoration of funding for school health services for the Rochester City School District and a \$1.2 million increase for the Buffalo City School District;
- $\circ~$  \$1 million to restore Adult Literacy Education funding, for a total funding of \$6.29 million;
- a \$1.5 million restoration for the Consortium for Worker Education (CWE), for a total funding of \$13 million;
- \$475,000 to restore funding for the Executive Leadership Institute;
- \$250,000 for the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture;
- \$1.25 million in Supplemental Valuation Impact Grants;
- \$1.5 million for the NYC Community Learning Schools initiative;
- \$200,000 for the Onondaga, Cortland, and Madison BOCES New Technology School Initiative;
- \$100,000 for National History Day; and
- \$2 million for the Yonkers City School District.

#### **Office of Higher Education and the Professions**

- The Legislature provides \$2.2 million for Liberty Partnerships, for a total of \$15.96 million in funding.
- The Legislature provides \$2.99 million for the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP), for total funding of \$29.52 million.
- The Legislature provides \$1.33 million for the Science Technology and Entry Program (STEP), for total funding of \$15.32 million.
- The Legislature provides \$1 million for the Collegiate Science Technology and Entry Program (CSTEP), for total funding of \$10 million.
- The Legislature provides \$1.5 to establish a new Foster Youth college success program.

**Capital Projects** 

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

#### **Education Opportunity Agenda**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive's Education Opportunity Agenda to:
  - Allow 15 percent of any incoming class to be exempt from the graduate-level teacher education admission requirements for a GPA of 3.0 and GRE score.
  - Suspend graduate level teacher programs, but allow such programs to continue to operate for currently enrolled or admitted students, as well as give suspended programs a chance to cure deficiencies before being deregistered by SED.
  - Require teachers to complete a minimum of 100 hours of more rigorous continuing education and re-register their teaching certificate every five years.
  - Increase the teacher and principal probationary period to four years and require teacher and principals to receive an annual professional performance rating of "effective" or "highly effective" in at least three of the four years in order to be eligible for tenure, provided that the rating in the final last year cannot be "ineffective."
  - Designate the lowest achieving schools statewide into two categories: failing or persistently failing; grant such schools a one or two year period to show demonstrable improvement before being placed into receivership by an external receiver; grant superintendents and the chancellor of the New York City school district the same additional powers as a receiver within that one or two year period; provide that the receiver would be appointed by the local district and approved by the commissioner; provide that the receiver may require the collective bargaining units to negotiate a receivership agreement that may only address a limited number of issues; and establish greater community and parental engagement.
  - Provide a multitude of measures related to due process in the teacher and principal disciplinary process.

- $\circ$  Authorize the commissioner to adopt regulations of the Board of Regents to establish a teacher and principal evaluation system with overall ratings being determined by a scoring matrix based on student performance and teacher observations.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive's proposals for mayoral control and charter schools.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive's proposed linkage of programmatic changes to state aid, but extends the deadline for fully implementing a new teacher and principal evaluation system to November 15, 2015 in order to be eligible to receive an increase in General Support for Public Schools for the 2015-16 School Year.

#### Other Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to continue the Contracts for Excellence program for school districts that submitted contracts in the 2014-15 School Year and where all schools in the district are not in good standing.
- The Legislature repeals the provision that the Chief Privacy Officer may hold more than one position within the State Education Department.
- The Legislature suspends the Building Aid amortization reset for one year to the 2016-2017 School Year.
- The Legislature increases the allowable transportation aid cap for transportation aid after 4 p.m. for the 2015-16 School Year from the current \$8.1 million to \$12.6 million.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive's proposal to provide that the four-year phase-in of regional rates for 4410 Special Education Itinerant Teachers (SEIT) will take effect on or before the 2016-2017 School Year.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to allow any school district to apply for waivers from certain special education requirements.
- The Legislature allows the Tonawanda, Amsterdam, Johnson City, Mt. Morris, and East Islip School Districts to spread aid penalties over five years.
- The Legislature enacts language implementing various formula provisions.
- The Legislature restores a carve-out of the Employment Preparation Education (EPE) appropriation to support education for high school diploma holders who lack skills

necessary for employment. The Legislature also restores a \$1.5 million setaside within the EPE program for the Consortium for Worker Education, for a total of \$13 million.

- The Legislature continues \$12 million in funding for the Roosevelt School District and the current lottery advance.
- The Legislature continues school district authorization to transfer excess Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve funds for use by the district.
- The Legislature approves the Executive proposal to continue existing provisions for the Teachers of Tomorrow program in the New York City school district.
- The Legislature continues miscellaneous program extenders for one year.
- The Legislature approves the Executive proposal to extend special education class size provisions for school districts.
- The Legislature approves the Executive proposal to continue current provisions for school bus driver training.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the provisions of State law that conform to federal No Child Left Behind requirements.
- The Legislature continues existing provisions for the support of public libraries.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive's continuation of Chapter 1 Advance provisions.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to continue existing provisions for a lottery accrual due to a change made by the Government Accounting Standards Board regarding the Teacher Retirement System pension contribution.
- The Legislature approves the Executive proposal to extend the Rochester City School District's ability to purchase health services from BOCES.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to continue Magnet School, Attendance Improvement and Dropout Prevention, and Teacher Support allocations within Foundation Aid.
- The Legislature rejects the proposal to allow for minority ownership of public accountancy firms, of up to 49 percent, by individuals who are not licensed as certified public accountants or public accountants.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Children and Family Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.02 billion, an increase of \$26.4 million over the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

• The Legislature modifies language that directs New York City to utilize its savings from the youth facilities billing cap to support new homeless prevention investments made since July 1, 2014, rather than January 1, 2015.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$5 million for over 600 additional child care subsidy slots. Of this amount, \$3.5 million is in the Office of Children and Family Services and \$1.5 million is within the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance. Any local district that accepts this funding would be required to expand the availability of subsidized child care and certify that they will not supplant other State, Federal or local funds.
- The Legislature also provides \$22.9 million for the restoration of community based initiatives, which include:
  - \$1.3 million for Youth Development Program, for a total of \$15.4 million;
  - \$2.1 million for Runaway and Homeless Youth, for a total of \$4.5 million;
  - \$2 million for Advantage After-School, for a total of \$19.26 million;
  - \$3 million for Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children;
  - \$2.57 million for Child Advocacy Centers;
  - \$2.45 million for Settlement Houses;
  - \$1.75 million for Community Reinvestment;
  - \$1.25 million for United Way 2-1-1;
  - \$1 million for Caretaker Relative/Kinship, for a total of \$1.34 million;

- \$757,200 for Caseload Reduction;
- \$750,000 for Boys and Girls Clubs;
- \$500,000 for New York State Alliance of YMCAs;
- \$500,000 for 34<sup>th</sup> St. Corridor Child Care Facilitated Enrollment;
- \$466,000 for New Alternatives for Children;
- \$324,000 for Onondaga Child Care Facilitated Enrollment;
- \$250,000 for Community Action Organization of Erie County;
- \$200,000 for YMCA of Greater NY;
- \$200,000 for Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services;
- \$175,000 for Hebrew Academy for Special Children (HASC) Center;
- \$150,000 for OHEL Children's Home and Family Services;
- \$150,000 for Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation-;
- \$100,000 for Legal Services for the Elderly or Disadvantaged of WNY;
- \$100,000 for Broadway Housing Communities Settlement House;
- \$100,000 for Greater Whitestone Taxpayers Community Center;
- \$100,000 for Central NY Ronald McDonald House Charities;
- \$100,000 for Gateway Youth Outreach;
- \$100,000 for Family and Children's Association;
- \$75,000 for Guardians of the Sick;
- \$75,000 for National Federation of the Blind;
- \$50,000 for Wyandanch Family Life Center;
- \$50,000 for Boro Park Jewish Community Council;

- \$50,000 for Morrisville Auxiliary of State University College of Agriculture and Technology at Morrisville, NY for the American Legion Boys State Program;
- \$50,000 for Nicholas Center for Autism;
- \$35,000 for the Helen Keller Core Program;
- \$25,000 for the Brooklyn Chinese American Association Youth Afterschool Program;
- \$25,000 for the Jewish Association for Services for the Aged;
- \$25,000 for Kids of Courage;
- \$25,000 for the Sephardic Bikur Holim (SBH) Community Service Network; and
- \$25,000 for the Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Association of Boro Park.
- The Legislature provides \$5.4 million in Juvenile Detention Capital for local districts' costs related to the Raise the Age proposal, but modifies language to provide that such funding would only be available pursuant to a chapter which enacts a Raise the Age proposal.

#### Capital Projects

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$147.7 million in capital funding to specify that \$110 million would only be available pursuant to a chapter which enacts a Raise the Age proposal.

#### Article VII

• The Article VII proposal to raise the age of juvenile jurisdiction and reform the juvenile justice system has been intentionally omitted with the intention of continuing negotiations post-budget. Accordingly, appropriations for juvenile detention capital, youth facilities improvement and Raise the Age appropriation are included, yet contingent upon enactment of a Raise the Age statute.

- The Legislature includes Article VII language to:
  - no longer require that OCFS make adoption assistance payments when the adoptive parent applies for assistance out of state;
  - enact provisions conforming to the federal Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act, including establishing a successor kinship guardian to maintain permanency for children after the death or incapacity of a relative guardian;
  - extend BOCES authority to provide educational services in OCFS facilities for three years, and to expand such services to include music, art and foreign language programs; and
  - $\circ\;$  remove the requirement that an OCFS facility director have two years of relevant experience.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$5.5 billion, an increase of \$43.8 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$24 million in support of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families restorations and adds including:
  - \$800,000 for ACCESS Welfare to Careers;
  - \$5 million for the Advanced Technology Training (ATTAIN);
  - **\$102,000 for Bridge;**
  - \$1.5 million, an increase of \$500,000 for Career Pathways;
  - \$25,000 for Centro of Oneida;
  - \$334,000 for SUNY/CUNY Child Care;
  - \$8.4 million, an increase of \$1.1 million for Facilitated Enrollment;
  - \$112,000 for Community Solutions to Transportation (CST);
  - \$250,000 for Educational Resources;
  - \$1 million, an increase of \$500,000 for the Emergency Homeless Program;
  - \$3 million, an increase of \$540,000 for the Non-Residential Domestic Violence;
  - \$1.57 million, an increase of \$570,000 for Preventive Services;
  - \$82,000 for Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation Authority;

- \$200,000 for Strengthening Families Through Stronger Fathers;
- \$950,000 for Wage Subsidy; and
- \$144,000 for Wheels for Work.
- The Legislature increases child care subsidies by \$1.5 million in the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance and by \$3.5 million in the Office of Children and Family Services, for a total investment of \$5 million. The funding would be available for districts that expand availability of child care and do not supplant other available funding.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$19.8 million in General Fund support for the following programs:
  - \$15 million for the Homelessness Prevention Pilot Program;
  - \$2.5 million for the Homeless and Supportive Housing Programs;
  - \$1 million for the Disability Advocacy Program (DAP);
  - \$500,000 for the United Way of Greater Rochester;
  - \$350,000 for Jones Hill at WCA Hospital;
  - \$200,000 for the Council on Jewish Organizations of Flatbush;
  - \$125,000 for the United Way of Central New York;
  - \$100,000 for the United Way of Broome County; and
  - \$10,000 for the Mechanicville Area Community Services Center.

#### Capital Projects

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize a Federal cost of living adjustment increase in 2015 for individuals receiving Social Security income, who reside in various living arrangements.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.2 billion, an increase of \$6.7 million over the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and makes no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$1.4 million to allow disabled students to have greater access to the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP).
- The Legislature provides an additional \$250,000 for the Social Worker Loan Forgiveness Program, for total funding of \$1.5 million.
- The Legislature provides \$5 million to establish the New York AIMS Merit Scholarship program, which awards funds based on merit and need.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$50,000 for the Farmer Loan Forgiveness Program, for total funding of \$150,000.

## Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Executive proposal to extend the Higher Education Capital Matching Grants Program.
- The Legislature modifies the Standard Financial Aid award letter to include the four year estimated cost of attendance and make clear certain other expenses of attending an institution of higher education.

- The Legislature modifies the Get on Your Feet Loan Forgiveness program to clarify that if student loans are deferred that the award should be deferred.
- The Legislature creates a New York AIMS Merit scholarship for high performing students who meet certain criteria.
- The Legislature includes language to conform the 529 college savings program to federal guidelines.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Housing and Community Renewal

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$703.6 million, which is a \$7.1 million decrease from the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

• The Legislature reduces appropriation authority by \$8 million. This is related to the Tenant Protection Unit, which will be funded through pre-existing appropriation authority.

## Aid to Localities

- The Legislature restores \$742,000 for the NYCHA Tenant Watch program.
- The Legislature provides \$120,000 for Brooklyn Housing and Family Services.
- The Legislature provides \$50,000 for the Rockland Housing Action Coalition.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to appropriate \$439.5 million through the JP Morgan Settlement by reallocating as follows:
  - \$100 million is provided for NYCHA Capital repairs, a \$75 million increase over the Executive. NYCHA would enter into a construction management agreement with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY);
  - \$124.5 million is provided for the NY/NY IV Supportive Housing Program, an \$8.5 million increase over the Executive;
  - \$25 million is provided for Mitchell Lama Repair and Revitalization, a \$25 million decrease from the Executive;
  - $\circ~$  \$25 million is provided for the Middle Income Housing Program, a \$25 million decrease from the Executive;
  - \$25 million is provided for the Restore NY Communities Initiative, a \$25 million decrease from the Executive;
  - \$5.5 million is provided for the Main Street program;

- \$1 million is provided for the Adirondack Community Housing Trust; and
- Language for Housing Opportunities for the Elderly (HOPE) is modified to clarify the maximum grant amount of \$10,000 per unit.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to utilize certain excess Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF) reserves by modifying NPP/RPP language to include a carve-out for housing coalitions.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Human Rights

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$18.01 million.

## State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

# Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

# **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Labor

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.11 billion, an increase of \$12.7 million over the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides funds for the following programs:
  - \$1.63 million for Displaced Homemaker Services;
  - \$350,000 for the New York Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH);
  - \$3 million for NYS AFL-CIO WDI Manufacturing initiatives;
  - \$2 million for NYS AFL-CIO Workforce Development Institute (WDI);
  - \$980,000 for Chamber On-the-Job training;
  - \$500,000 for the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$500,000 for solar energy maintenance training;
  - \$500,000 for the Brooklyn Chamber- Brooklyn Goes Global initiative;
  - \$400,000 for Cornell Worker Institute;
  - \$310,000 for Jubilee Homes of Syracuse;
  - \$300,000 for Paul Smith's **College Logger Training School**;
  - \$300,000 for Summer of Opportunity Youth Employment Program (Rochester);
  - \$300,000 for Youth Build;

- \$200,000 for Western NYCOSH;
- \$200,000 for Building and Training Pre-Apprenticeship Program (Rochester);
- \$200,000 for Building and Training Pre-Apprenticeship Program (Nassau County);
- \$200,000 for Building and Training Pre-Apprenticeship Program (Western NY);
- \$155,000 for NYCOSH (Long Island);
- \$150,000 for NYS AFL-CIO Cornell Leadership Institute;
- \$150,000 for NYS AFL-CIO Cornell Domestic Violence Program;
- \$125,000 for Midwood Development Corporation employment program;
- \$100,000 for Hillside Works;
- \$50,000 for Team STEPPS;
- \$50,000 for the Rochester Tooling and Machining Institute; and
- \$30,000 for the Office of Adult Career Education.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the proposal to repeal certain rarely used fees collected by the Department of Labor.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to allow healthcare professionals to request leave from work to volunteer overseas to fight ebola without fear of retaliation by their employer. It requires that regulations be made when the Commissioner seeks to expand the scope of the types of healthcare professionals eligible to request such leave and extending the worker protections, for two years, after the expiration of the employee's right to request a leave of absence.
- The Legislature waives the asbestos project notification fees paid for by cities, towns and villages for certain projects.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State of New York Mortgage Agency

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$176.97 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State University of New York (SUNY)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.71 billion, an increase of \$53.9 million over the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

- The Legislature restores \$18.6 million in support for SUNY Hospitals, for total funding of \$87.9 million.
- The Legislature provides \$2.5 million to ATTAIN Labs, for total funding of \$4.5 million.
- The Legislature provides \$5.72 million in additional support for the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), for total funding of \$26.8 million.
- The Legislature provides \$1.5 million in additional support for Educational Opportunity Centers (EOC's), for total funding of \$52.5 million.
- The Legislature restores \$250,000 to Cornell Veterinary School, for total funding of \$500,000.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive's Performance Improvement Plan requirement to have the plan focus on academics and access and to remove the linkage of the plan to operating funds.
- The Legislature provides \$1.5 million for the Small Business Centers for total funding of \$3.45 million.
- The Legislature provides \$333,000 for the Stony Brook Marine Animal Lab program.
- The Legislature provides \$100,000 for the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry Chestnut program.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive's plan to require the consolidation of back office functions, and instead require SUNY and CUNY to collaborate and implement their own plan to streamline administrative functions.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$13.75 million to increase base aid for SUNY Community Colleges by \$100 per full-time equivalent (FTE). Base aid will be funded at \$2,597 per FTE.
- The Legislature provides an increase of \$1.1 million in support for SUNY Child Care centers, providing \$2.1 million in total funding.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to create nine regional planning councils for the 29 Community Colleges to allow the Chancellor to determine the regions and to eliminate the requirement that college presidents serve on the council.
- The Legislature provides \$600,000 for the SUNY Graduate Diversity Program for total funding of \$6.63 million.
- The Legislature provides additional support of \$4.68 million for the support of SUNY contractually bargained obligations.
- The Legislature provides \$1.5 million for the Graduate Achievement Placement program.
- The Legislature provides \$1 million for SUNY Career Centers.
- The Legislature provides \$600,000 for the Harvest New York program.
- The Legislature provides \$250,000 for the SUNY Orange Summer Bridge program.

## **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate the State Education Department's program and curriculum review for SUNY, CUNY, and independent colleges.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to establish sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking prevention and response policies and

procedures, recognizing that significant concerns have been raised that warrant further consideration.

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require that all students at SUNY and CUNY complete an experiential or applied learning activity as a requirement for graduation, and instead requires SUNY and CUNY schools to make these opportunities available and study what impacts making this a requirement would have on each school's administration, graduation rates, and the local workforce.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Welfare Inspector General

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.16 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Miscellaneous: Education, Labor & Family Assistance

## State Operations

• Not applicable.

## Aid to Localities

- The Legislature accepts the Pay for Success Executive All Funds appropriation of \$69 million.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$25 million in support of Raise the Age. The Legislature provides \$14 million for state costs associated with raising the age of juvenile jurisdiction, which would only be available pursuant to a chapter which enacts a Raise the Age proposal, and provides \$11 million to local governments, including New York City to assess readiness and commence implementation planning.

## Capital Projects

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal for the Non-profit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program to ensure that funding will be distributed throughout the State and to specify information that must be included on proposals for funding. The Legislature also requires the Dormitory Authority to assist in administering funds.

## Article VII

- The Article VII proposal to raise the age of juvenile jurisdiction and reform the juvenile justice system has been intentionally omitted with the intention of continuing negotiations post-budget. Accordingly, appropriations for juvenile detention capital, youth facilities improvement and Raise the Age appropriation are included.
- The Legislature includes Article VII language to:
  - Extend BOCES authority to provide educational services in OCFS facilities for three years, and to expand such services to include music, art and foreign language programs; and
  - $\circ\,$  Remove the requirement that an OCFS facility director have two years of relevant experience.

# **HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE**

By Agency

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State Office for the Aging

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$258.0 million, an increase of \$4.2 million from the Executive budget.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides:
  - \$2.5 million in additional support for the Community Services for the Elderly program;
  - \$500,000 for the Long Term Care Ombudsman Program;
  - \$312,000 for the Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island;
  - \$200,000 for the Hebrew Home at Riverdale;
  - \$200,000 for the Lifespan Elder Abuse Prevention Program;
  - \$100,000 for the Riverdale Senior Center;
  - \$100,000 for the Emerald Isle Immigration Center;
  - \$100,000 for the Samuel Field YM & YWHA, Inc.;
  - \$50,000 for the Meals on Wheels Programs and Services of Rockland, Inc.;
  - \$86,000 for the New York Foundation for Senior Citizens Home Sharing and Respite Care program; and
  - \$31,500 for the New York Statewide Senior Action Council, Inc. for the patients' rights hotline and advocacy project.

Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to engage with various agencies and stakeholders in developing a plan for the creation of an Office of Community Living, to require a series of public meetings in all regions of the State to ensure meaningful public input from stakeholders. In addition, the Legislature expands the information to be provided in the final report to include an assessment of the impact of an Office of Community Living, all information that was collected, and that all alternatives are considered before making any recommendations.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the Enriched Social Adult Day Program for and additional two years.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Developmental Disabilities Planning Council

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.76 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Health

The Legislature provides an All Funds, two year appropriation of \$134.6 billion, an increase of \$156.9 million from the Executive budget.

## State Operations

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate working audits for graduate medical students, restoring \$1.1 million.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate the physician profile website, restoring \$1.2 million.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to waive civil service rules for certain Office of Health Insurance Program contracted staff, restoring \$500,000.
- The Legislature provides \$500,000 for Community Health Advocates.
- The Legislature provides \$140,000 for a statewide campaign to promote awareness of donating umbilical cord blood to a public cord blood bank.

## Aid to Localities

## Medicaid Global Cap

The Legislature provides restorations of \$86.1 million to the Medicaid program, including:

- \$20.9 million to reject the Executive proposal to implement cost-sharing limits to Medicare Part C claims;
- \$18 million to reject the Executive proposal to reduce pharmacy reimbursement for brand name drugs from average wholesale price (AWP) less 17 percent to AWP less 24 percent and to increase the dispensing fee for brand name drugs from \$3.50 to \$8.00;
- \$10.9 million to reject the Executive proposal to implement 340B pricing in Medicaid Managed Care;
- \$10.7 million to reject the Executive proposal to eliminate spousal refusal;

- \$7.4 million to reject the Executive proposal to carve out managed long term care transportation and to transfer the management of these services to the State's transportation broker;
- \$5 million to reject the Executive proposal to create a new retail clinic managed care pilot program;
- \$4.1 million to reject the Executive proposal to eliminate "prescriber prevails" provisions in fee-for-service;
- \$1.3 million to reject the Executive proposal to establish minimum supplemental rebates for fee-for-service drugs; and
- \$100,000 to reject the Executive proposal to allow the Clinical Drug Review Program (CDRP) to require prior authorization for drugs meeting CDRP criteria prior to the Drug Utilization Review Board's recommendation.

The Legislature includes \$7.2 million in new Medicaid initiatives, including:

- \$3 million to provide supplemental rates for ambulance providers;
- \$1 million to provide supplemental rates for air ambulance providers;
- \$1 million to provide supplemental rates for rural transportation;
- \$1 million to conduct a young adult demonstration program;
- \$500,000 to support additional certified application counselors and assistors to enroll individuals pending release from state or local correctional facilities;
- \$500,000 to establish an expedited process for determining Medicaid eligibility for individuals with an immediate need for personal care services; and
- \$200,000 to support capital rate adjustments for certain innovative nursing home projects.

To support these restorations, the Legislature advances \$86.1 million in reductions including:

• \$38.3 million in savings related to an expected delay in the Presidential Executive Order on immigration;

- \$15 million in savings related to rejecting the Executive proposal to reduce the assessment on obstetrical care services which supports the Medical Indemnity Fund;
- \$12.8 million in savings related to various Medicaid spending re-estimates;
- \$10 million in savings related to additional pharmacy rebates; and
- \$10 million in savings related to a reduction in the State's supplement to the Delivery System Reform Incentive Payments (DSRIP) program.

#### Public Health Programs

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to establish a premium assessment on all accident and health insurers in the individual, small group, and large group insurance markets in the State to offset the non-public program operational costs of the Exchange and instead identifies \$68.3 million in additional Health Care Reform Act (HCRA) resources to support the operations of the Exchange.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to consolidate 39 public health programs and restores \$21.3 million and discrete appropriations for each of these programs.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to discontinue the EQUAL program, restoring \$3.3 million.
- The Legislature restores \$7.5 million to the Child Health Plus Program to eliminate a prior year rate reduction.
- The Legislature provides:
  - \$2 million in additional support for the physician loan repayment program;
  - \$2 million in additional support for infertility services;
  - \$1.5 million in additional support for the Spinal Cord Injury Research Program for a total of \$8.5 million;
  - \$1.4 million for Women's Health services;
  - \$1 million for Nurse Family Partnership;
  - \$1 million for rape crisis centers;
  - \$750,000 for family planning services;

- \$600,000 for Lyme Disease and Tick Borne Illness Prevention and Treatment;
- \$525,000 for HIV/AIDS Community Service Programs (CSP);
- \$525,000 for HIV/AIDS Multi Service Agencies (MSA);
- \$400,000 for the Primary Care Development Corporation;
- \$400,000 for Premium Health Inc.;
- \$395,000 for the Niagara Health Quality Coalition;
- \$350,000 for Columbia Memorial Hospital;
- \$332,000 for Comprehensive Care Centers for Eating Disorders;
- \$310,000 for the Maternity and Early Childhood Foundation;
- \$300,000 for Suicide Prevention and Crisis Services Inc.;
- \$272,000 for opioid overdose prevention in schools;
- \$250,000 for a rural dentistry pilot program;
- \$250,000 for a New York State Dental Association demonstration program;
- \$250,000 for the ImmuNYze All New Yorkers campaign;
- \$250,000 for the New York Alliance for Donation;
- \$250,000 for ALS Association of Greater New York;
- \$209,000 for the Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency;
- \$200,000 for the National Lymphatic Disease Patient Registry and Tissue Bank;
- \$200,000 for the ComuniLife-Suicide Prevention program;
- \$200,000 for the Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center, Inc.;
- \$200,000 for Endometriosis Foundation of America;
- \$150,000 for the Kirkside Retirement Home;

- \$50,000 for the Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern New York;
- \$50,000 for the Breast Cancer Network;
- \$50,000 for the Urban Health Plan, Inc.;
- \$39,000 for the New York School-Based Health Alliance;
- \$25,000 for the American-Italian Cancer Foundation; and
- \$25,000 for the Jewish Family Services of Rockland.

#### **Capital Projects**

The Legislature includes:

- \$700 million in capital funding to support the restructuring of the Brooklyn health care system;
- \$300 million in capital funding to support health care restructuring in Oneida County;
- \$435 million to support the restructuring of geographically isolated and rural hospitals;
- \$19.5 million to support the establishment of a new community health facility revolving loan fund;
- \$15.5 million to support a restoration of prior year funding levels for the Roswell Park Cancer Institute; and
- \$10 million to support provider infrastructure costs related the transition behavioral health services into the Medicaid Managed Care benefit package.

#### Article VII

#### Part A – Department of Health (DOH) Savings Initiatives

• The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to repeal requirements for the DOH to maintain and disseminate physician profiles and expand information available on Physician Profiles and establish timelines for reporting.

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate DOH's requirement to audit the number of working hours of hospital residents.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate the EQUAL program, and adds a proposal to ensure EQUAL funds are used to directly benefit adult home residents and to prevent diversion to unrelated expenses.
- The Legislature adds a provision aligning the prescription delivery consent process with Medicare part D.
- The Legislature adds a provision requiring the health information technology infrastructure workgroup to report to the legislature by December 1, 2015.
- The Legislature adds a provision requiring quarterly reporting on SHIN-NY.
- The Legislature adds a provision requiring reporting on State Health Innovation Plan (SHIP).
- The Legislature adds a provision establishing an education and outreach program on public umbilical cord blood banking.
- The Legislature adds a provision repealing the community forum on establishment of facilities in the Bronx.
- The Legislature adds a provision extending provisions related to Social Adult Day Programs.

## <u> Part B – Medicaid</u>

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to eliminate the New York Prescription Saver Program.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to modify the Upper Payment Limit (UPL) distribution to New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation hospitals.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the distribution of grants to establish coordination between health homes and individuals in the criminal justice system and adds a provision to authorize \$1 million to support the Medicaid enrollment of certain recently discharged prisoners.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to align Medicaid managed care and feefor-service payments for professional services provided through State University of New York clinical practice management plans.

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to limit Medicaid payments under certain circumstances for costs associated with Medicare Part B claims.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize DOH to establish criteria for presumptive eligibility for the Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) population.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize a grant increase for transitioning children in foster care to managed care and developing reimbursement rates for this population.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to add certain populations to Basic Health Plan (BHP) eligibility criteria.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to change the fee-for-service Medicaid reimbursement for brand name prescription drugs from AWP less 17 percent to AWP less 24 percent and to increase the dispensing fee from \$3.50 to \$8.00.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to authorize requiring prior authorization for fee-for-service Medicaid prescription drugs under the clinical drug review program prior to obtaining the DUR Board's recommendation and when drug manufacturers have not provided supplemental rebates to the state.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to require providers to bill managed care plans for 340B drugs using the actual acquisition cost (AAC).
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate prescriber prevails in fee-forservice Medicaid.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to reduce the assessment on hospital inpatient obstetrical services by \$15 million.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to carve out family planning services from certain reimbursement methodologies to leverage federal financial participation.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to limit Medicaid payments under certain circumstances for costs associated with Medicare Part C claims.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate spousal refusal for spouses residing together in the community.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to eliminate a separate recruitment, training and retention rate for managed long term care plans.

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to allow the Department of Civil Service to authorize term appointments without examination to temporary positions within DOH requiring special expertise or qualifications in health insurance programs.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to limit state and local Medicaid liability for temporary emergency medical care under certain circumstances and adds provisions requiring an expedited process for determining eligibility for personal care and Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) services in Medicaid.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the Commissioner of Health (COH) to negotiate directly with pharmaceutical manufacturers for the provision of supplemental rebates for outpatient drugs in Medicaid managed care to limit such authority to HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C drugs.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently codify the Medicaid global spending cap to extend the cap for an additional year.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish a general hospital quality pool to require legislative notification of allocation methodology development and distribution.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize enhanced payments or reimbursements of up to \$12 million to sole community hospitals to require legislative notification of allocation methodology development and distribution.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to increase the Vital Access Provider (VAP) carve out for Critical Access hospitals from \$5 million to \$7.5 million, and allocates \$10 million in VAP support for providers serving rural areas and isolated geographic regions to require legislative notification of allocation methodology development and distribution.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to alter Medicaid co-pays to be effective if DOH's application for a federal waiver is denied.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to eliminate notice periods for hospital inpatient and diagnostic and treatment center rates to reduce such notice periods to from 60 to 30 days.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the Commissioner of Health (COH) to contract for the establishment of rates of payment for the BHP program to require reporting on the creation of such rates.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to reinvest enhanced federal funding generated through the Consumer First Choice Option into the State's Olmstead plan to identify the types of services that would be funded and establish reporting requirements.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish an energy efficiency and/or disaster preparedness demonstration program for nursing homes, to conduct a review prior to proceeding with the plan.
- The Legislature adds a provision to require lead entities in the DSRIP program to establish project advisory committees.
- The Legislature adds a provision to require DOH to ensure adequate rates are paid to MLTC and Managed Care plans for the provision of quality care.
- The Legislature adds a provision to establish a Medicaid Evidence-Based Benefit Review Advisory Committee within DOH to provide advice and make recommendations regarding Medicaid coverage of health technology and services.
- The Legislature adds a provision to establish up to three young adult special population demonstration programs.
- The Legislature adds a provision to establish the hospital-home care-physician collaboration program.
- The Legislature adds a provision to establish universal billing codes in Medicaid for CDPAP, personal care, home health care services or other long term care services.
- The Legislature adds a provision to maintain transportation as part of the MLTC benefits package.
- The Legislature adds a provision requiring the Commissioner of Health (COH) to consider certain criteria when administering Vital Access Provider (VAP) funds.
- The Legislature adds a provision to authorize mortgage refinancing shared savings programs among nursing homes if there is federal financial participation and if the COH approves.
- The Legislature adds a provision to extend supplemental Medicaid payments to providers of emergency medical transportation services.
- The Legislature adds a provision to eliminate the 28 percent reduction in the Child Health Insurance Plan (CHIP) subsidy payments to certain providers.

- The Legislature adds a provision to require an independent actuary to provide a complete actuarial memorandum to managed care plans on Medicaid managed care rates.
- The Legislature adds a provision to support capital rate adjustments for certain innovative nursing home projects.

#### Part C – Child Health Plus (CHP)

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to align payments from managed care providers to providers for ambulatory behavioral health services provided to Child Health Plus enrollees with Medicaid ambulatory patient group (APG) payments, to align all ambulatory health services rates with current Medicaid APG rates.

#### Part D – Extenders

• The Legislature modifies the time frames for the extension of various demonstration and pilot projects and previously enacted Medicaid savings initiatives.

#### <u> Part E – Indigent Care Pool</u>

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend for three years the general hospital indigent care pool by eliminating DOH discretion in adjusting distributions.

#### Part F – Delivery System Reform Incentive Program (DSRIP)

• The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to authorize DOH to develop and use value based payments for performing provider systems participating in DSRIP.

#### Part G – NY State of Health

• The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to establish a premium assessment on all accident and health insurers in the individual, small group, and large group insurance markets in the State to offset the non-public program operational costs of the exchange.

#### <u>Part H – Health Care Infrastructure</u>

• The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to allow diagnostic and treatment centers to operate in the retail space of a business.

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to provide an accreditation and regulation for urgent care centers and repeal public health law provisions to eliminate upgraded diagnostic and treatment centers.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to allow the Public Health and Health Planning Council (PHHPC) to review the procedures performed in outpatient settings and make recommendations for changes.

## Part I – HIV/AIDS and Risk Reduction

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to eliminate the requirement for written informed consent to an HIV test in correctional facilities.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to prohibit the possession of condoms as evidence in certain prostitution and loitering charges.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to exclude hypodermic syringes procured through the state's syringe exchange, or other pharmacy/medical based program, from the crime of criminal possession of a hypodermic instrument and criminal possession of a controlled substance.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to remove the limit of ten syringes that may be prescribed and to repeal the ban on advertising the furnishing of syringes without a prescription.

## Part J – Advanced Home Health Aides

• The Legislature rejects the Executive's proposal to establish a program for Advanced home health aides who would be authorized to perform advanced tasks, including the administration of medications, under the direct supervision of a registered professional nurse.

## Part K – Certificate of Need (CON)

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to streamline the Certificate of Need planning process and to modify standards used by the Public Health and Health Planning Council provisions in considering prospective facility operators.
- The Legislature adds provisions to authorize the COH to appoint a temporary operator of a hospital for improper delegation of management authority.

### Part L – Office Based Surgery (OBS)

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to include office-based anesthesia in office-based surgery requirements as well as to standardize and limit the procedures permitted in such settings.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to increase adverse event reporting for office-based surgery.

#### <u>Part M – Water Fluoridation</u>

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to require localities that fluoridate their water to provide notice to the public and the Department of Health (DOH) before discontinuing fluoridation.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to allow DOH to provide grants to localities for fluoridation programs.

#### <u>Part Q – Private Equity</u>

• The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to authorize up to five business corporations, except for publicly traded entities, to participate in a private equity demonstration program to authorize capital investment in health care projects.

#### Part V – Opioid Overdose Prevention

• The Legislature adds provisions to authorize the use of opioid antagonists in schools.

## Part W – Health Care Reform Act (HCRA)

- The Legislature adds provisions to require DOH to provide an annual HCRA revenue and disbursement report to the Legislature and require DOH to convene a task force to evaluate and make recommendations related to increasing the transparency and accountability of HCRA funding.
- The Legislature adds provisions to support new applicants in Doctors Across New York.

#### Part J-Capital Restructuring

• The Legislature includes language establishing eligibility criteria and reporting requirements related to the \$700 million in capital support for Brooklyn.

- The Legislature includes language establishing eligibility criteria and reporting requirements related to the \$300 million in capital support for Oneida County.
- The Legislature includes criteria and reporting requirements related to the \$435 million in capital support for upstate rural and geographically isolated hospitals.
- The Legislature includes language related to the \$1.2 billion in re-appropriated capital to support to require, to the extent practicable, awards to be made regionally in proportion to the applications received.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Medicaid Inspector General

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$55.0 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Mental Hygiene

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$600 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$599.50 million, an increase of \$3 million over the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$2 million to the New York City Department of Education to support additional Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialists (SAPIS).
- The Legislature provides \$1 million to support additional Opiate Abuse Prevention and Treatment services, in addition to the \$7.8 million proposed by the Executive.

**Capital Projects** 

• The Assembly provides \$10 million to support information technology and other infrastructure costs for not-for-profit agencies related to the transition of behavioral health services into Medicaid Managed Care.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish ambulatory patient group reimbursement rates for clinics under the Child Health Plus program, and extend these rates until December 31, 2017 to match the Medicaid behavioral health transition schedule.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Mental Health (OMH)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.95 billion, a net increase of \$8.8 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature provides \$1 million to support crisis intervention demonstration programs in order to support the training of law enforcement.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$3.21 million for Joseph P. Dwyer Veteran Peer-to-Peer Pilot Program.
- The Legislature provides \$1 million for Binghamton Hospital Comprehensive Emergency Program.
- The Legislature provides \$1 million for Children's Prevention and Awareness Initiatives.
- The Legislature provides \$800,000 for Neuro-Linguistic Programing Research.
- The Legislature provides \$500,000 for Crisis Intervention Teams.
- The Legislature provides \$300,000 for FarmNet.
- The Legislature provides \$250,000 for the Riverdale Mental Health Association.
- The Legislature provides \$175,000 for the Southern Fork Health Proposal.
- The Legislature provides \$150,000 for Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services.
- The Legislature provides \$150,000 for the Mental Health Association of Rockland County, Inc.
- The Legislature provides \$100,000 for the Mental Health Association of New York State.
- The Legislature provides \$100,000 for the North Country Behavioral Health Network.

• The Legislature provides \$50,000 for Family Residential and Essential Enterprises (FREE).

## Capital Projects

• The Assembly provides \$10 million to support information technology and other infrastructure costs for not-for-profit agencies related to the transition of behavioral health services into Medicaid Managed Care.

## Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize OMH to recover excess Medicaid income from certain providers for one year.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the authorization of Mental Hygiene facility directors to be representative payees for three years.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide educational services to children residing in OMH hospitals by requiring annual reporting on the effectiveness of such services.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish ambulatory patient group reimbursement rates for clinics under the Child Health Plus program, and extends these rates until December 31, 2017 to match the Medicaid behavioral health transition schedule.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal that would allow the commissioners within the Department of Mental Hygiene to develop time limited demonstration programs by maintaining the authority of the comptroller to review purchasing contracts and sunset certain provisions under this proposal.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office for People with of Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.4 billion, a net increase of \$3.72 million over the Executive proposal.

## State Operations

• The Legislature provides \$1 million to support a statewide assessment and analysis of housing needs, employment opportunities, and other supports and services for individuals with developmental disabilities.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides an additional \$2 million to support the development of new service opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities that are currently living at home with caregivers who cannot continue to provide their care.
- The Legislature provides \$350,000 for Jowonio, Inc.
- The Legislature provides \$150,000 for Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State.
- The Legislature provides \$100,000 for Ostar Family Services.
- The Legislature provides \$100,000 for Human Care Services.
- The Legislature provides \$18,000 for Living Resources.

## Capital Projects

• The Assembly provides \$10 million to support information technology and other infrastructure costs for not-for-profit agencies related to the transition of behavioral health services into Medicaid Managed Care.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the authorization of OPWDD facility directors to be representative payees for three years.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal that would support the implementation of the Nurse Practice Act Exemption for OPWDD home and community based waiver service by clarifying the authority of the Office to provide oversight of such services.
- The Legislature includes language that requires OPWDD to utilize a valid and reliable assessment tool to determine the types of home and community based waiver services provided to individuals with disabilities.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal that would authorize the commissioner of the Department of Health (DOH), with approval from the Commissioner of OPWDD, to certify rates and fees for OPWDD services and programs.
- The Legislature includes language to require OPWDD to issue a report that will include regional information related to housing services and identify the level of priority for such services.
- The Legislature includes language to require OPWDD to utilize information provided by stakeholders to develop a plan that will assist with the transition of individuals currently working in sheltered workshops to integrated work settings, as well as meet the needs and goals of individuals who currently cannot or choose not to transition to integrated community work settings.
- The Legislature includes language to require OPWDD to establish a transformation panel that will provide recommendations and strategies to support access to self-directed models of care, enhance opportunities to community integrated housing, increase integrated employment opportunities, and examine the ability of a managed care service delivery model to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities.
- The Legislature includes language to require OPWDD to provide monthly status reports related to census reduction of developmental centers, the types of community services provided to those leaving developmental centers, and the number of individuals receiving services from state and not-for-profit providers.
- The Legislature includes language to require OPWDD to make information available on the office website regarding the "front door" process, including the approach for determining priority residential placements and a description of the process by which individuals may seek services.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Justice Center for the Protection of People with Special Needs

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$54.54 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

## Article VII

# TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

By Agency

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Adirondack Park Agency

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$5.263 million.

State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

**Capital Projects** 

• Not applicable.

Article VII

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Agriculture and Markets

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$176.75 million, an increase of \$12.4 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides for the following:
  - \$1.5 million for the New York Farm Viability Institute;
  - \$1.064 million for the Regional Food Hubs;
  - \$1 million for the "Core" Diagnostic Lab;
  - \$1 million for the Agribusiness Child Development Program;
  - \$600,000 for the Northern NY Agricultural Development;
  - \$560,000 for the Cornell University Rabies Program;
  - \$544,000 for the New York State Apple Growers Association;
  - \$500,000 for the Apple Research and Development Program;
  - \$500,000 for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program;
  - \$500,000 for the Drain Tile Revolving Loan Fund;
  - \$416,000 for Cornell University Farm Family Assistance;
  - \$378,000 for the Cornell University Pro-dairy Program;
  - \$320,000 for New York State Berry Growers;

- \$306,000 for the New York Wine and Grape Foundation;
- \$250,000 for the Tractor Rollover Protection Program;
- \$250,000 for the Quality Assurance Program;
- \$250,000 for the Animal Care and Control of NYC;
- \$220,000 for the Dairy Profit Teams/NY Farm Viability Institute;
- \$213,000 for the Maple Producers Association;
- \$200,000 for Cornell University Future Farmers of America;
- \$200,000 for Long Island Deer Fence Matching Grants;
- \$175,000 for the Eastern Equine Encephalitis Program;
- \$160,000 for the Hop Evaluation and Field Testing Program;
- \$160,000 for Local Fairs;
- \$150,000 for the Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship;
- \$125,000 for Cornell University Maple Research;
- \$125,000 for NY Christmas Tree Farmers;
- \$100,000 for the Cornell University Vegetable Research;
- \$100,000 for the Wood Products Development Council;
- \$100,000 for Grown on Long Island;
- \$100,000 for Genesee County Agriculture Academy;
- \$100,000 for Precision Agriculture Study;
- \$75,000 for the NY Corn and Soybean Growers Association;
- \$50,000 for Cornell University Onion Research;
- \$50,000 for Cornell University Honeybee Research;

- \$25,000 for the North Country Low-cost Rabies Vaccine; and
- \$20,000 for the Island Harvest Food Bank.

**Capital Projects** 

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

- The Legislature establishes a drain tile revolving loan fund to assist farmers in buying equipment to help drain excess water from fields.
- The Legislature specifies that the Beginning Farmer grant program created last year may be used by a farmer, who completes a business plan, for equipment, buildings and other capital needs.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to repeal fees and modify license periods for certain Agriculture & Markets licenses.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Economic Development

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$84.57 million, representing a net increase of \$4.5 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$1.28 million of additional support for the Centers of Excellence. This action will ensure that each of the ten existing Centers of Excellence receive \$1 million.
- The Legislature provides \$250,000 for the newly designated Center of Excellence in Atmospheric and Environmental Prediction and Innovation at the University at Albany.
- The Legislature provides support for the following programs:
  - \$1 million of additional support for New York State Incubators;
  - \$600,000 for Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Smart Lighting program;
  - \$500,000 of additional support for the Centers of Advanced Technology, for a total appropriation of \$14.32 million;
  - \$500,000 of additional support for Local Tourism Matching Grants, for a total appropriation of \$4.32 million;
  - \$100,000 for the Queens Economic Development Corporation;
  - \$100,000 for the Finger Lakes Tourism Alliance;
  - \$75,000 for the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor Commission;
  - \$50,000 for the Long Island Farm Bureau; and
  - \$50,000 for the Long Island Wine Council.

**Capital Projects** 

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature accepts an extension for the authorization of the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises program to December 31, 2017, and reduces the Executive's request for a one-year extension of the MWBE Disparity Study by 6 months to reflect a new due date of August 15, 2016.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget NYS Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$12.5 million.

## **State Operations**

• Not applicable.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

- The Legislature accepts the transfer of funds from NYSERDA to support West Valley.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive's proposal to take NYSERDA off-budget by adding reporting requirements and by increasing funding for the Rochester Laser Lab to \$750,000. A second Article VII details new reporting requirements for semi-annual reports.
- The Legislature requires the Green Jobs Green New York program to continue its current programs for another year while also focusing on bringing more low to moderate income households into the program.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Environmental Conservation

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.25 billion, an increase of \$213.85 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

- The Legislature rejects the transfer of the Oil Spill Fund from Office of the State Comptroller to DEC, and slightly modifies the Executive's fee proposal to exempt facilities that are the users of the products from the fee increase, and requires a separate appropriation for prevention activities.
- The Legislature provides \$150,000 for a drug disposal program to prevent pharmaceuticals from ending up in drinking water.
- The Legislature provides \$150,000 for a study of the Northrop Grumman/Navy Plume on Long Island.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature funds increases to the following programs:
  - \$5 million for the Long Island Nitrogen Management & Mitigation Plan;
  - \$1 million for Roberto Clemente Park Cleanup;
  - \$550,000 for Cornell Integrated Pest Management;
  - \$500,000 for the Catskill Master Plan Stewardship and Planning;
  - \$400,000 for Invasive Species Projects;
  - \$275,000 for Chautauqua County;
  - \$250,000 for the Town of North Elba Olympic Regional Development Authority;
  - \$210,000 for the Udell's Cove Preservation Committee;
  - \$100,000 for the Universal Waste Rule Training Program;

- \$100,000 for the Village of Caledonia Flood Mitigation;
- \$85,000 for the Village of Avon Flood Mitigation;
- \$80,000 for the Town of Avon Flood Mitigation; and
- \$25,000 for the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District for Goose Bay Invasive Control.

#### Capital Projects

- The Legislature provides \$200 million over three years for clean water and drinking water infrastructure grants.
- The Legislature funds a \$5 million increase to the EPF for the following programs:
  - \$1 million for Zoos, Botanical Gardens, and Aquaria;
  - \$1.050 million for Land Acquisition;
  - \$1 million for Farmland Protection;
  - \$500,000 for Hudson River Park;
  - \$350,000 for the Albany Pine Bush Commission;
  - \$350,000 for the Long Island Pine Barrens Commission;
  - \$250,000 for Finger Lakes; Lake Ontario Watershed;
  - \$250,000 for Lake Erie Watershed Protection;
  - \$150,000 for Invasive Species; and
  - \$100,000 for Environmental Justice Grants.

#### Article VII

• The Legislature modifies the Executive's proposal to raise Air and Water Pollution fees by accepting the Executive proposal to increase Title V fees, rejecting the Executive proposal to increase Non-Title V fees, and increasing State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) fees at a lesser amount than the Executive proposal.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive Brownfield tax credit proposal and renews the program for ten years. In addition, the Legislature increases Superfund Bonding authority by \$1 billion over ten years.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive elimination of a fee for water well drillers.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive language to clarify that no principal from the state fish and game trust account should be used to fund the Habitat Account.
- The Legislature extends the authority for Nassau County, Suffolk County and New York City to enforce certain provisions of the Bottle Bill Law.
- The Legislature delays the implementation of the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) for one year.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York State Gaming Commission

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$146.23 million.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the video lottery gaming vendor's capital awards program for one year.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the current pari-mutuel tax rates and out-of-state simulcast provisions for one year.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to expand the definition of video lottery gaming to include mixed games of chance and skill.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the New York Racing Association (NYRA) Reorganization Board's term for one year and instead postpones the deadline for the recommendations regarding NYRA's future structure for one year.
- The Legislature extends the current vendor fee rate paid to Monticello Video Lottery Terminal facility for one year.
- The Legislature increases the maximum amount deducted from owners' shares of purses for the New York Jockey Injury Compensation Fund from 1 percent to 2 percent until April 1, 2017.

• The Legislature requires that out-of-state account wagering providers who contract with in-state account wagering providers shall follow the same distributional policy with respect to retained commissions as other out-of-state account wagering providers. The Legislature holds current contracts harmless.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$324.9 million.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

- The Legislature modifies an Executive proposal to permanently authorize the Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund (DHBTF) and the Dedicated Mass Transportation Trust Fund to receive revenues generated by the DMV, and to permanently authorize funding DMV operations from the DHBTF, by extending the authorization for five years.
- The Legislature makes technical corrections to an Executive proposal to make New York State compliant with federal regulations regarding commercial driver learners' permits.
- The Legislature rejects an Executive proposal to adjust the process for registering an overweight vehicle.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Olympic Regional Development Authority

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$11.82 million.

#### **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Article VII

• Not applicable.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$411.7 million, an increase of \$1.08 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides funding for the following programs within the Natural Heritage Trust:
  - **\$250,000 for Yaddo;**
  - **\$250,000 for the** Shea's Performing Arts Center;
  - \$200,000 for the NYC Parks Department Tree Stump Removal;
  - \$180,000 for the Friends of Brinckerhoff Colonial Cemetery;
  - \$100,000 for the Bayside Historical Society; and
  - \$100,000 for the Poppenhuesen Institute.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature specifies that, of the \$2.5 million in New York Works funding provided to the Olympic Regional Development Authority, not less than \$500,000 should be used for maintenance, preventive maintenance and infrastructure projects at Bellayre Ski Center.

#### Article VII

• Not applicable.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Public Service (PSC)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$92.16 million, an increase of \$2 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature adds \$2 million in federal funding for gas pipeline safety.

## Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Health to continue financing the public health education programs with revenues generated from an assessment on cable television companies.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive's Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) debt refinancing proposal to clarify that refinanced debt should not be extended, and to require a repowering study on Long Island.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of State

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$140.8 million, an increase of \$5.4 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature restores \$21,000 for the State of New York Commission on Uniform State Laws to provide reimbursement for travel expenses.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature restores \$3.5 million for the County of Dutchess.
- The Legislature restores \$1.4 million for Dutchess County Coordinated Jail Based Services.
- The Legislature restores \$505,000 for the Public Utility Law Project.

#### **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend, for one year, the ability of the Secretary of State to charge fees for expediting certain documents issued by or requested from the Department of State's Division of Corporations.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to eliminate the fee associated with licensing apartment information vendors and sharing agents.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Taxation and Finance

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$462.2 million.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Capital Projects

• Not applicable.

- The Legislature modifies an Executive proposal to extend warrantless wage garnishment for two years.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to allow the Department of Taxation and Finance to recoup improperly granted STAR exemptions.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to grant one-time relief to certain taxpayers who registered for the STAR exemption but failed to file a timely exemption application with their local assessors.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to lower the threshold to suspend delinquent taxpayers' driver's licenses.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to require grantees to be current with tax obligations.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to authorize New York to enter reciprocal tax collection agreements with other states.

- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to authorize a professional and business license tax clearance.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to require new State employees to comply with State tax obligations.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to allow OCFS to share child care data with the Department.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to allow multi-agency data sharing.
- The Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to enhance motor fuel tax enforcement.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Tax Appeals

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.04 million.

## **State Operations**

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• Not applicable.

#### Article VII

• Not applicable.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York State Thruway Authority

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$21.5 million.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

• Not applicable.

## **Capital Projects**

• The Legislature adds a reporting requirement for all settlement funds appropriated to the Thruway Authority.

- The Legislature modifies an Executive proposal to authorize shared services agreements between the Thruway Authority and DOT by limiting this authority to emergency situations and to a duration of ten days, by adding labor protections and by clarifying the obligations of any claimant to give notice to the Thruway Authority or DOT.
- The Legislature rejects an Executive proposal to increase toll evasion penalties and enforcement tools for the MTA, Thruway Authority, Bridge Authority, and Port Authority.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Transportation (DOT)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$10.18 billion, an increase of \$162.3 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature increases upstate transit operating assistance by \$10 million for a total \$189 million.
- The Legislature extends the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge Rebate program for one year and rejects appropriation language related to the Legislature's responsibility to provide funding for the program.
- The Legislature appropriates \$1 million to the MTA for a study of accessibility and capacity at the Kingsbridge Road/Jerome Avenue subway station in the Bronx.
- The Legislature provides \$1 million to the New York City Department of Transportation for a preliminary design study of the construction of on/off ramps from the southbound side of the Hutchinson River Parkway, in the vicinity of the Hutchinson Metro Center office park.
- The Legislature provides \$300,000 for the maintenance costs associated with the South Cascade Drive/Miller Road Bridge over the Cattaraugus Creek between Cattaraugus and Erie Counties.

#### Capital Projects

- The Legislature increases funding for road and bridge projects throughout the State by \$100 million.
- The Legislature provides funding of \$50 million for extreme weather recovery to supplement the Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPs).

- The Legislature provides \$15 million to the upstate mass transit authorities for capital expenses.
- The Legislature provides up to \$4 million to support diesel train engine retrofits including the upgrade of one diesel train engine owned by the LIRR to meet higher emission standards.
- The Legislature provides \$2.5 million to reopen a rest area on I-88 at Wells Bridge and \$1 million to renovate the rest area at Exit 18 on I-87 in Glens Falls.

- The Legislature modifies an Executive proposal to authorize shared services agreements between the Thruway Authority and DOT by limiting this authority to emergency situations and to a duration of ten days, by adding labor protections and by clarifying the obligations of claimants giving notice to the Thruway Authority or DOT.
- The Legislature rejects an Executive proposal to authorize a new \$100 fee for vehicle safety inspections of privately operated vehicles capable of carrying 11 or more passengers in commerce and accepts an Executive proposal that would repeal the one-time, \$50 Intrastate Authority Application fee paid by new trucking companies, movers, ambulette providers, and charter bus operators.
- The Legislature extends design-build contracting authority for two years and adds a reporting requirement.

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Urban Development Corporation

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.35 billion, representing a net increase of \$414.95 million over the Executive proposal.

#### State Operations

• Not applicable.

#### Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides support for the following programs:
  - \$3 million for Military Base Retention efforts;
  - **\$2 million** for the Bronx Children's Museum;
  - \$1.05 million for the Bronx Overall Development Corporation;
  - \$1 million for the NUAIR Alliance at Griffiss International Airport;
  - \$1 million for the Farmers NY Fund;
  - \$750,000 for the Newburgh Armory Unity Center;
  - \$600,000 for Advanced Manufacturing in Central New York;
  - \$600,000 for the Seneca Army Depot;
  - \$550,000 for Center State Corporation for Economic Opportunity;
  - \$500,000 for Kings County security improvements;
  - \$365,000 of additional support for the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Development and Lending Program, for a total appropriation of \$1 million;
  - \$350,000 for the Veterans Entrepreneurial Assistance Program;
  - \$350,000 for the Adirondack North Country Association;

- \$300,000 of additional support for the Community Development Financial Institutions, for a total appropriation of \$1.8 million;
- \$300,000 for the Glimmerglass Opera;
- \$250,000 for the Regional Economic Gardening Program to provide technical assistance and various support services for expanding businesses in the Finger Lakes region;
- \$250,000 for Camp Venture, Inc. to start a specialty printing business intended to be used for a stepping stone pilot program for individuals with developmental disabilities to pursue integrated employment opportunities;
- \$250,000 for the Kingsbridge-Riverdale-Van Cortlandt Development Corporation;
- \$250,000 for Onondaga County for facility improvements;
- \$225,000 for Capital Culture;
- \$200,000 for Canisius College;
- \$200,000 for the New Bronx Chamber of Commerce;
- \$150,000 for the Harlem Arts Alliance for Harlem Week;
- \$150,000 for Watkins Glen International;
- \$150,000 for fishing tournament promotions;
- \$100,000 for the New York State Racing Fan Advisory Council; and
- \$60,000 for the Cayuga Community Center.

#### Capital Projects

• The Legislature provides a new \$400 million appropriation for the Transformative Investment Program, which will make funds available to regionally significant projects that create and retain private sector jobs in New York City, and the counties of Nassau and Suffolk. Off-Budget Initiatives

• The Legislature accepts the transfer of \$90 million in New York Power Authority resources to support the New York Open for Business/START-UP NY initiative, the NYS Innovation Venture Capital Fund, the Global NY Fund, the Dunkirk Power Plant Conversion, tourism efforts and General Fund relief.

- The Legislature extends the Urban Development Corporation's authority to administer the Economic Development Fund and its general loan powers from July 1, 2015 to July 1, 2016.
- The Legislature extends eligibility designation to include Republic and Stewart International Airports under the START-UP NY program. Furthermore, the START-UP NY Approval Board may designate up to 200,000 sq. ft. of space at each location for such purposes.
- The Legislature provides loan forgiveness to the Albany County Convention Center Authority.

# Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Miscellaneous: Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation

Greenway Heritage Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

## New York Power Authority

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

State and Municipal Facilities Program

• The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$385 million.

## Tribal State Compact Revenue

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends language requiring a joint distribution plan from the City of Salamanca and the County of Cattaraugus to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of Ways and Means for the Seneca Allegany Casino.

Dedicated Infrastructure Investment Fund

- The Legislature requires reporting on funds appropriated to the Thruway Authority.
- The Legislature provides \$435 million to support the restructuring of geographically isolated and rural hospitals.
- The Legislature provides \$19.5 million to support the establishment of a new community health facility revolving loan fund.

- The Legislature provides \$15.5 million to support a restoration of prior year funding levels for the Roswell Park Cancer Institute.
- The Legislature provides \$10 million to support provider infrastructure costs related the transition behavioral health services into the Medicaid Managed Care benefit package.
- The Legislature provides transparency to the Executive's \$500 million New NY Broadband Initiative by defining the program's intent, reporting requirements and giving priority to projects in unserved areas as well as public libraries and educational opportunity centers.
- The Legislature reprograms \$150 million of transit-oriented development funds to be used for transformative economic development projects that create jobs, grow the commercial and resident tax base or enhance the quality of life in Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Projects are to be reviewed, evaluated and approved by the Urban Development Corporation.

Metropolitan Transportation Authority

- The Legislature rejects an Executive proposal to extend, for four years, the MTA's authorization for procurement methods such as Request for Proposals (RFPs) so that this proposal can be examined post-budget.
- The Legislature rejects an Executive proposal to increase toll evasion penalties and enforcement tools for the MTA, Thruway Authority, Bridge Authority, and Port Authority.

New York Works Task Force

• The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Design-Build

• The Legislature extends design-build authority for two years.

# **DEBT SERVICE**

## Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget SFY 2015-16 Debt and Capital

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.85 billion for the purpose of Debt Service. The Legislature reduces the appropriation for the Debt Reduction Reserve Fund from \$1 billion to \$500 million.

#### Capital Projects

- The Legislature accepts the Executive's proposal to provide support for the following initiatives:
  - \$4.2 billion for Core Transportation & DMV Program;
  - \$1 billion for Health Care Facility Transformation;
  - \$121.5 million for Other Downstate Transit;
  - \$750 million for DOT Bridge Program;
  - \$750 million for MTA Capital Contribution;
  - \$462.9 million for Core DEC Program;
  - \$339.9 million for Core Mental Health Hygiene Program;
  - \$354 million for SUNY/CUNY System wide Maintenance;
  - \$296.7 million for All Other Capital Appropriations;
  - \$173.7 million for Core Parks and Historical Preservation;
  - \$164.3 million for Community College Projects;
  - \$143.1 million for Affordable & Homeless Housing;
  - \$152 million for Harriman Campus Upgrades;
  - \$150.6 million for Core Department of Health Program;
  - \$146.7 million for Information Technology;

- \$110 million for NY SUNY & NY CUNY 2020 Grants;
- \$110 million for Raise the Age;
- \$100.7 million for Public Protection;
- \$100 million for Hazardous Waste Remediation;
- \$52.3 million for All Other Economic Development;
- \$50 million for Binghamton School of Pharmacy;
- \$50 million for the Non-profit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program;
- \$33.5 million for Nano/GE Power Electronics;
- \$30 million for Capital Matching Grants; and
- \$19 million for the Cornell Veterinary College.
- The Dedicated Infrastructure Investment Fund is created in State Finance Law and includes \$4.6 billion in capital allocations supported by the settlement monies received in SFY 2015-16. Allocations are as follows:
  - \$250 million for Penn Station Access;
  - \$50 million for the Southern Tier/Hudson Valley Farm Initiative;
  - \$150 million for Resiliency, Mitigation, Security & Response;
  - \$500 million for the Broadband Initiative;
  - \$1.3 billion for the Thruway Stabilization Program;
  - \$1.5 billion for the Upstate Economic Revitalization Competition;
  - \$150 million for Municipal Restructuring;
  - \$355 million for Hospitals-Rural Health Care;
  - \$15.5 million to the Roswell Park Cancer Institute;
  - \$19.5 million for a Community Health Facility Revolving Loan Fund;

- \$10 million for the Mental Hygiene Transition to Managed Care;
- \$150 million for Transformative Economic Development Projects in Nassau and Suffolk Counties; and
- \$115 million for Other Infrastructure Improvements.
- The \$439.5 million JP Morgan Chase settlement funds are allocated as follows:
  - \$100 million for NYCHA Capital Repairs;
  - \$124.5 million for the NY/NY IV Supportive Housing Program;
  - \$40 million for a NYC Rental Assistance Program (LINC1);
  - \$27 million for the HIV/AIDS rent cap;
  - \$25 million for the Middle Income Housing Program;
  - \$25 million for the Mitchell Lama Repair and Revitalization;
  - \$25 million for the Restore NY Communities Initiative;
  - \$21.7 million for the SONYMA Mortgage Rate Reduction and Repair Program;
  - \$20.3 million for the Neighborhood Preservation Program and the Rural Preservation Program;
  - \$19.6 million for the Access to Home for Heroes Program;
  - \$5.5 million for Main Street Program;
  - \$5 million for the Housing Opportunities for the Elderly Program; and
  - \$1 million for the Adirondack Community Housing Trust.

- The Legislature modifies the following Article VII Language:
  - The Legislature modifies the Executive's proposal for Personal Income Tax (PIT) Issuer Flexibility to authorize the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York

(DASNY), the Empire State Development Corporation, and the Thruway Authority to issue PIT Revenue Bonds through March 31, 2020. Language was included to require Thruway Authority-issued PIT and Sales Tax Revenue Bonds to come before the Public Authorities Control Board (PACB).

- The Legislature accepts the following Executive bond cap increases:
  - SUNY Educational Facilities would be increased from \$10.98 billion to \$11.23 billion;
  - Mental Health services facilities from \$7.436 billion to \$7.723 billion;
  - CUNY senior and community colleges are increased from \$7.27 billion to \$7.39 billion;
  - Correctional Facilities are increased from \$7.1 billion to \$7.2 billion;
  - Housing Capital Programs are increased from \$3 billion to \$3.2 billion;
  - Local Highway projects from \$3 billion to \$3.2 billion;
  - Capital Restructuring Financing Program (Healthcare) from \$1.2 billion to \$2.2 billion, including support for the health care facility transformation program;
  - Environmental Infrastructure Projects from \$1.4 billion to \$1.6 billion;
  - MTA transportation facilities from \$770 million to \$1.5 billion;
  - Transportation Initiatives from \$465 million to \$1.4 billion;
  - SUNY upstate community colleges would be increased from \$776 million to \$838 million;
  - Youth Facilities from \$465.4 million to \$611.2 million;
  - State Office Buildings and Facilities from \$317.8 million to \$469.8 million;
  - NY-SUNY 2020 and NY-CUNY 2020 from \$330 million to \$440 million;
  - Office of Information Technology Services from \$182.4 to \$269.1 million;
  - Higher Education Capital Matching Grants from \$180 million to \$210 million;

- State Police capital from \$149.6 million to \$155.6 million;
- Library facilities from \$126 million to \$140 million; and
- Non-profit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program \$50 million.
- The Legislature modifies the following bond cap increases:
  - Economic Development purposes, including the Binghamton University School of Pharmacy and the New York Power Electronics Manufacturing Consortium, from \$2.2 billion to \$2.9 billion; an additional increase of \$400 million over the Executive proposed bond cap, to support the Transformative Investment Program.
  - Consolidated Highway Improvement program bonds for Local Highway projects increased from \$8.1 billion to \$8.6 billion; an additional increase of \$50 million over the Executive proposal.
  - Environmental Infrastructure & Clean Water/Sewer Projects increased from \$1.4 billion to \$1.8 billion; an additional increase of \$200 million over the Executive proposal.
  - Transportation Initiatives increased from \$465 million to \$1.7 billion; an additional increase of \$250 million over the Executive proposal.
  - State and Municipal Facilities program increase bond cap increased from \$770 million to \$1.2 billion; an additional increase of \$385 million over the Executive proposal.
- Language was included to ensure that no money from the Dedicated Infrastructure Investment fund would be transferred back to the General Fund except after five months of economic downturn or for Federal Medicare and Medicaid disallowances. The Director of the Budget is required to notify both houses of the Legislature before transferring any money from the fund.
- The Legislature rejects Executive modifications to the \$2 billion Smart Schools Bond Act, which would have authorized DASNY and ESDC to issue PIT and Sales Tax Revenue Bonds instead of voter-approved General Obligation Bonds.