

**SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDED CHANGES
TO THE
EXECUTIVE BUDGET
STATE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25**

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FINANCIAL PLAN

SFY 2024-25 Enacted Financial Plan

Enacted Disbursements - Difference from Executive (\$ in Millions)				
	SFY 2023-24 Close-Out	SFY 2024-25 Executive	SFY 2024-25 Enacted	Change from 2023-24 - 2024-25
General Funds	100,117	107,586	110,314	10,196
State Operating Funds	128,473	129,268	131,936	3,463
State Funds	143,181	144,414	147,232	4,050
All Funds	234,867	232,752	236,775	1,907

All Funds

The All Funds Budget is the broadest measure of spending; it accounts for unrestricted and restricted State funds as well as funds received from the Federal government.

The Enacted All Funds budget is estimated at \$236.8 billion for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024-25, which is \$4.0 billion over the Executive Plan. This is largely attributed to commitments to health care, school aid, higher education, human services, public protection, and other programs.

SFY 2024-25 All Fund disbursements are projected to increase by \$1.9 billion over SFY 2023-24 levels, which primarily reflects increases in Local Assistance and Grants, State Operations, and Capital Projects. These increases are partially offset by lower spending for debt service payments, which is expected to decline by nearly \$4 billion in SFY 2024-25.

Enacted Budget All Funds receipts are estimated to total \$230.1 billion, an increase of \$2.3 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and a decrease of \$4.3 billion or 1.8 percent below SFY 2023-24 estimates. This decrease can primarily be attributed to lower Miscellaneous and Federal receipts, partially offset by a projected increase in All Fund tax receipts.

State Funds

State Funds spending consists of the General Fund, Debt Service Funds, Capital Projects Funds and Other State Funds. State Funds spending is projected to total \$147.2 billion in SFY 2024-25, representing an increase of \$2.8 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and an increase of \$4.1 billion or 2.0 percent over SFY 2023-24.

The Enacted Budget Financial Plan estimates State Funds receipts in SFY 2024-25 will total \$140.2 billion, an increase of \$1.1 billion from the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and a decrease of \$4.0 billion or 2.8 percent from SFY 2023-24.

State Operating Funds

The State Operating budget includes all State spending from the General Fund, State Special Revenue Funds, and Debt Service Funds. This measure excludes Capital Projects Funds and Federal spending. The Enacted Budget Financial Plan assumes State Operating Funds spending of \$131.9 billion, an increase of \$2.7 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and an increase of \$3.5 billion or 2.7 percent over SFY 2023-24.

State Operating Fund receipts are estimated at \$130.4 billion, an increase of \$1.1 billion over the Executive Plan, and a decrease of \$4.5 billion or 3.3 percent from SFY 2023-24.

General Fund

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the State and accounts for all unrestricted tax revenue and other receipts not dedicated to a specific fund, program or activity. The General Fund receives monies from personal income taxes, sales and users taxes, business taxes, other taxes, miscellaneous receipts, and transfers from other funds.

The SFY 2024-25 Enacted Budget Financial Plan projects that General Fund spending will total \$110.3 billion, an increase of \$2.7 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan. This is largely attributed to new commitments to school aid, higher education, human services, public protection, and other programs.

The Enacted Budget General Fund spending represents an increase of \$10.2 billion or 10.2 percent, over SFY 2023-24 estimated levels. This is attributed to additional spending and restoration actions of \$2.7 billion over the Executive proposed spending estimates of \$7.5 billion.

In SFY 2024-25, General Fund receipts are estimated to total \$107.6 billion, for an increase of \$1.1 billion from the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and an increase of \$4.6 billion or 4.4 percent over SFY 2023-24 levels. This can primarily be attributed to a projected \$2.1 billion increase in Personal Income Tax receipts.

Closing Fund Balances

The Enacted Budget estimates the General Fund cash balance to be \$43.6 billion at the end of SFY 2024-25, a decrease of \$2.8 billion from SFY 2023-24, and a decrease of \$293 million from estimates included in the Executive Budget Financial Plan.

Appropriations Preamble Language

The Enacted Budget does not include language in the preamble of the State Operations appropriation bills that would provide authority for the Division of Budget to:

- require the Legislature to act on the Aid to Localities bill prior to the State Operations bill;
and
- increase or decrease by interchange or transfer without limit, the amount of any state operations appropriations with any other appropriation of any department, agency or public authority.

Table 1

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN				
ALL FUNDS				
Actuals 30-Day Closeout 2023-24 vs Enacted Plan 2024-25				
(\$ in millions)				
	2023-24 Closeout Actuals	2024-25 Enacted Plan	Change	% Change from 23-24 to 24-25
Opening fund balance	65,956	65,912	(44)	(0.1%)
Receipts:				
Taxes	106,448	109,050	2,603	2.4%
Miscellaneous receipts	33,755	27,994	(5,761)	(17.1%)
Federal grants	94,276	93,099	(1,177)	(1.2%)
Total Receipts	234,478	230,143	(4,335)	(1.8%)
Disbursements:				
Local Assistancess and Grants	183,177	186,501	3,324	1.8%
State operations	24,914	26,028	1,114	4.5%
General State charges	11,108	8,773	(2,335)	(21.0%)
Debt service	6,997	3,022	(3,975)	(56.8%)
Capital projects	8,672	12,451	3,779	43.6%
Total Disbursements	234,867	236,775	1,907	0.8%
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other funds	52,431	55,351	2,919	5.6%
Transfers to other funds	(52,591)	(55,792)	(3,201)	6.1%
Bond and note proceeds	505	359	(146)	(28.9%)
Net other financing sources (uses)	345	(82)	(428)	(123.8%)
Change in fund balance	(44)	(6,714)		
Closing fund balance	65,912	59,198		

Table 2

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN				
STATE FUNDS				
Actuals 30-Day Closeout 2023-24 vs Enacted Plan 2024-25				
(\$ in millions)				
	2023-24 Closeout Actuals	2024-25 Enacted Plan	Change	% Change from 23-24 to 24-25
Opening fund balance	51,129	56,573	5,443	10.6%
Receipts:				
Taxes	106,448	109,050	2,603	2.4%
Miscellaneous receipts	32,634	27,410	(5,224)	(16.0%)
Federal grants	5,042	3,695	(1,347)	(26.7%)
Total Receipts	144,123	140,155	(3,968)	(2.8%)
Disbursements:				
Local Assistance and Grants	95,238	102,678	7,440	7.8%
State operations	21,579	23,161	1,582	7.3%
General State charges	10,696	8,380	(2,316)	(21.7%)
Debt service	6,997	3,022	(3,975)	(56.8%)
Capital projects	8,672	9,991	1,319	15.2%
Total Disbursements	143,181	147,232	4,050	2.8%
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other funds	52,931	55,328	2,396	4.5%
Transfers to other funds	(48,935)	(53,398)	(4,463)	9.1%
Bond and note proceeds	505	359	(146)	(28.9%)
Net other financing sources (uses)	4,502	2,289	(2,213)	(49.2%)
Change in fund balance	5,443	(4,788)		
Closing fund balance	56,573	51,785		

Table 3

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN				
STATE OPERATING FUNDS				
Actuals 30-Day Closeout 2023-24 vs Enacted Plan 2024-25				
(\$ in millions)				
	2023-24 Closeout Actuals	2024-25 Enacted Plan	Change	% Change from 23-24 to 24-25
Opening fund balance	52,724	56,077	3,353	6.4%
Receipts:				
Taxes	104,930	107,564	2,634	2.5%
Miscellaneous receipts	27,693	19,167	(8,526)	(30.8%)
Federal grants	2,299	3,690	1,391	60.5%
Total Receipts	134,922	130,421	(4,500)	(3.3%)
Disbursements:				
Local Assistance	89,202	97,373	8,171	9.2%
State operations	21,579	23,161	1,582	7.3%
General State charges	10,696	8,380	(2,316)	(21.7%)
Debt service	6,997	3,022	(3,975)	(56.8%)
Capital projects	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Disbursements	128,473	131,936	3,463	2.70%
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other funds	46,746	49,915	3,169	6.8%
Transfers to other funds	(49,842)	(52,824)	(2,983)	6.0%
Bond and note proceeds	0	0	0	
Net other financing sources (uses)	(3,096)	(2,909)	186	(6.0%)
Change in fund balance	3,354	(4,424)		
Closing fund balance	56,077	51,654		

Table 4

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN				
GENERAL FUND				
Actuals 30-Day Closeout 2023-24 vs Enacted Plan 2024-25				
(\$ in millions)				
	2023-24 Closeout	2024-25 Enacted		
	Actuals	Plan	Change	% Change from
				23-24 to 24-25
Opening fund balance	43,451	46,331	2,880	6.6%
Receipts:				
Taxes				
Personal Income Tax	25,312	27,437	2,125	8.4%
User taxes and fees	9,872	10,094	221	2.2%
Business taxes	17,425	17,061	(364)	(2.1%)
Other taxes	1,876	1,347	(529)	(28.2%)
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,878	3,634	(1,244)	(25.5%)
Federal grants	2,250	3,645	1,395	62.0%
Transfers from other funds	41,385	44,334	2,949	7.1%
Total Receipts	102,998	107,551	4,553	4.4%
Disbursements:				
Local Assistance	69,119	80,026	10,906	15.8%
State operations	12,301	14,216	1,915	15.6%
General State charges	9,651	7,124	(2,526)	(26.2%)
Transfers to other funds				
- Debt service	239	263	24	10.0%
- Capital projects	5,798	5,033	(765)	(13.2%)
- State Share Medicaid	343	0	(343)	0.0%
- SUNY Operations	1,535	1,709	174	11.3%
- Other purposes	1,132	1,943	811	71.7%
Total Disbursements	100,117	110,314	10,196	10.2%
Change in fund balance	2,880	(2,763)		
Closing fund balance	46,331	43,568		
Rainy Day Fund	6,255	6,255		
Contingency Reserve Fund	21	21		
Community Projects Fund	25	23		
Reserved for Timing of PIT/PTET Credits	13,946	14,329		
Reserved for Debt Management	2,436	1,860		
Reserved for Labor Settlements/Agency Operations	1,765	3,215		
Reserved for Economic Uncertainty	13,812	13,782		
Settlement Funds	1,100	601		
Undesignated Fund Balance	6,961	3,482		

Revenue Actions

The Enacted Budget includes the following revenues actions:

- **Part A — Extend the Itemized deduction Limit on High Income Filers:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend the personal income tax limitation on charitable contribution deductions for taxpayers with incomes above \$10 million by extending the provision for five years, until taxable year 2030. This action would extend the current state deduction limit for these taxpayers, which is 25 percent of the federal deduction.
- **Part B — Extend the Tax Shelter Provisions:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend the current tax shelter reporting provisions and penalties by extending these provisions for five years, through July 1, 2029. This action would extend current penalties imposed on tax preparers who do not sign returns, take unreasonable positions on returns, and unregistered tax preparers.
- **Part C — Make Technical Corrections to the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Mobility Tax (MCTMT) Rate:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to make technical corrections to apply the MCTMT tax rate of 0.34 percent to certain self-employed individuals in the suburban region of the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District (MCTD), which includes the counties of Dutchess, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, and Westchester. This change would be consistent with other provisions included in the SFY 2023-24 Enacted Budget.
- **Part D — Close the Amended Return Loophole for Personal Income and Corporation Franchise Taxes:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to allow the Department of Taxation and Finance to act on amended returns filed by taxpayers if the taxpayer petitioned to the Division of Tax Appeals during the same taxable year. Petitions would include a request of a redetermination of a deficiency or a challenge of a refund denial. Under current law, any such petitions filed to the Division of Tax Appeals prevents the Department of Taxation and Finance from acting on amended returns filed for the same taxable year.
- **Part E — Establish the Commercial Security Tax Credit:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to implement a \$3,000 tax credit for small businesses whose retail theft prevention expenses exceed \$12,000 by only allowing businesses with 50 or fewer employees to receive the credit. The Legislature also lowers the threshold for expenses from \$12,000 to \$4,000 for businesses with 25 or fewer employers, and to \$6,000 for businesses with between 26 and 50 employees.

- **Part F — Extend the Mandatory Electronic Filing and Payment Requirements:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend the Department of Taxation and Finance’s electronic filing and payment mandates. The modification only extends these provisions for five years, through December 31, 2029.
- **Part G — Extend Authorization to Manage Delinquent Sales Tax Vendors:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend provisions of law that requires vendors to deposit sales tax revenue into segregated accounts on a weekly basis, as well as, providing authorization for the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance to revoke a vendor’s license for failing to comply with the segregated account program’s requirements or the regulations established in the Tax Law. The modification extends these provisions for five years until December 31, 2029.
- **Part H — Provide for the Filing of Amended Sales Tax Returns:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to establish a time frame to correct errors made in the filing of sales tax returns. This provision would treat the amended returns similarly to other tax filings and allow vendors to amend their returns up to three years after the return due date or two years after the vendor made their original payment. For amended returns that alter fixed and final tax liabilities, vendors are given up to 180 days to correct any errors from their original tax filings. A penalty of \$1,000 will be levied against filers who willingly include erroneous information in their amended sales tax returns.
- **Part I — Extend Certain Sales Tax Exemptions Related to the Dodd-Frank Protection Act:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend sales tax exemptions for transfers of assets between financial institutions and their subsidiaries for three years by limiting the extension to one year, from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025. For binding contracts entered on or before June 30, 2027, this proposal extends exemptions for one year, to June 30, 2028.
- **Part J — Extend the Sales Tax Vending Machine Exemption:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing sales tax exemption for certain food and drink purchased from a vending machine for one year, through May 31, 2025.
- **Part K — Intentionally Omitted.**
- **Part L — Repeal and Replace the Cannabis Potency Tax:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to repeal the wholesale Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) potency tax, which is based on THC per milligram for each product and replace it with a single wholesale excise tax of 9.0 percent. The state retail excise tax rate would remain at 9.0 percent and the local retail excise tax rate would remain at 4.0 percent.
- **Part M — Intentionally Omitted.**

- **PPGG Part BB (Formerly Part N) — Return Tax Foreclosure Surplus to Property Owner:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to amend the Real Property Tax Law to ensure that surplus funds resulting from tax foreclosure sales are returned to the former owner, by giving the former owner three years to claim the surplus and establishing stronger protections for the former owner prior to the distribution of the surplus. This addresses the recent Supreme Court ruling, *Tyler v Hennepin County*, Minnesota.
- **Part O — Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain OTB Corporation:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend for one year the authorized use of the capital acquisition funds by the Capital Off-Track Betting (OTB) Corporation, through March 31, 2025 by allowing Catskill OTB to apply and receive these funds.
- **Part P — Extend Pari-Mutuel Tax Rates and Simulcast Provisions:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the current pari-mutuel tax rate structure and other racing-related provisions for one year, through June 13, 2025.
- **Part Q — Clarify the Tax Computation for Little Cigars:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to clarify that little cigars be taxed at 26.75 cents per stick. Previously, the law stated that little cigars would be taxed the same as cigarettes, so they were mistakenly taxed at \$5.35, even for just one stick. This language corrects this error.
- **Part R — Extend Funding of the Jockey Injury Compensation Fund:** The Legislature includes language to extend the two percent allocation from the purse fund through April 1, 2027, and \$2 million out of the Purse Cushion Fund through calendar year 2027. This action would stabilize the owner-paid premiums required for jockey worker compensation coverage paid out of the Jockey Injury Compensation Fund.
- **Part S — Extend the Licensing Exemption at Saratoga Racetrack:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the licensing exemption for workers at Saratoga Racetrack to account for the Belmont Stakes taking place at the track in June 2024 and June 2025.
- **Part T — Decrease the Medical Cannabis Excise Tax:** The Legislature includes language to decrease the Medical Cannabis Excise Tax from 7 percent to 3.15 percent. The revenues from this fund would be distributed to localities where the cannabis was manufactured and dispensed.
- **ELFA Part R — Authorize Tax Incentive Benefits for Converting Commercial Property to Affordable Housing:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish a real property tax incentive program for the conversion of commercial buildings to affordable housing by establishing benefit parameters, applying labor standards, and increasing affordability requirements. At least 25 percent of the units would need to be affordable at 80 percent of area median income (AMI), at least 5 percent of the units would need to

be affordable at 40 percent of AMI, and all affordable units would need to be rent stabilized for the duration of the benefit period.

- **ELFA Part U — Create a New Tax Abatement for Rental Housing Construction:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish a new property tax incentive program in New York City by providing affordability requirements, strengthening labor protections and wages, and modifying the benefit structure.
- **ELFA Part T — Extend the Project Completion Deadline for Projects Vested in Real Property Tax Law 421-a:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the completion deadline for projects vested in the expired 421-a program for five years, from June 15, 2026 to June 15, 2031, by only extending the options with the deepest affordability provisions. For a project to be considered vested, construction must have commenced on or before June 15, 2022.
- **ELFA Part EE — Exemption of Newly Constructed or Converted Rental Multiple Dwellings Outside of New York City:** The Legislature includes language to provide localities with two different opt-in property tax incentive programs for the construction or conversion of affordable multiple dwellings. Projects having at least 25 percent of units affordable between 60 and 80 percent of the area median income (AMI), and projects having 100 percent of units affordable at the same AMI level, would receive tax exemptions corresponding with affordability levels within the new rental building.
- **ELFA Part GG — Provide a Real Property Tax Exemption for the Construction of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs):** The Legislature includes language to create a real property tax exemption from the increase in value resulting from the addition of one or more accessory dwelling units located on certain residential properties at local option.
- **ELFA Part RR — Provide Tax Parity for Combative Sports:** The Legislature includes language to provide tax parity among the gross receipts for ticket sales for across all combative sports. The tax rates for these sales would be decreased from 8.5 percent to 3 percent for combative sports that do not include boxing, wrestling, or sparring.
- **ELFA Part AAA — Establish a Journalism Sustainability Credit:** The Legislature includes language that establishes a tax credit of up to \$320,000 for print media entities and independently owned and operated broadcast stations. The credit would be capped at \$30 million and would be administered by the Empire State Development Corporation.
- **ELFA Part BBB — Provide a Supplemental Empire State Child Credit (ESCC):** The Legislature includes language to provide a supplemental Empire State Child Credit for one year. The supplemental payment would be calculated as a percentage of a taxpayer's 2023 credit, as follows:

- 100 percent for families with incomes under \$10,000;
 - 75 percent for families with incomes between \$10,000 and \$24,999;
 - 50 percent for families with incomes between \$25,000 and \$49,999; and
 - 25 percent for families with incomes of \$50,000 and above.
- **TED Part PP — Provide a Sales Tax Exemption the Purchase and Installation of Energy Storage Systems:** The Legislature includes language to provide a sales tax exemption for the purchase and installation of residential energy storage systems used to provide heating, cooling, hot water, and electricity. The exemption would be available for two years, from June 1, 2024 to June 1, 2026.

Executive Revenue Proposals that are not Included:

- **Part K — Modernize the Tax Law to Include the Vacation Rental Industry:** The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to subject all vacation rentals to state and local sales taxes, including the \$1.50 per unit NYC Convention Center fee. This proposal also would have repealed the “bungalow rule,” which allows rentals of furnished units to be exempt from sales tax.
- **Part M — Clarify Taxable Status of Telecommunications Property:** The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to clarify that property used primarily or exclusively for the transmission of radio, television, or cable television shall not be considered taxable real property.

Table 5

**Fiscal Impact - Enacted Revenue Proposals
(\$ in Millions)**

Part	Proposal	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
A	Extend the Itemized deduction Limit on High Income Filers	-	175	350	350	300
B	Extend the Tax Shelter Provisions	-	-	-	-	-
C	Make Technical Corrections to the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Mobility Tax Rate	-	-	-	-	-
D	Close the Amended Return Loophole for Personal Income and Corporation Franchise Taxes	-	20	20	20	20
E	Establish the Commercial Security Tax Credit	-	(5)	(5)	-	-
F	Extend the Mandatory Electronic Filing and Payment Requirements	-	-	-	-	-
G	Extend Authorization to Manage Delinquent Sales Tax Vendors	-	-	-	-	-
H	Provide for the Filing of Amended Sales Tax Returns	3	10	10	10	10
I	Extend Certain Sales Tax Exemptions Related to the Dodd-Frank Protection Act	-	-	-	-	-
J	Extend the Sales Tax Vending Machine Exemption	(8)	(2)	-	-	-
L	Repeal and Replace the Cannabis Potency Tax	-	-	-	-	-
O	Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain OTB Corporation	-	-	-	-	-
P	Extend Pari-Mutuel Tax Rates and Simulcast Provisions	-	-	-	-	-
Q	Clarify the Tax Computation for Little Cigars	-	-	-	-	-
R	Extend Funding of the Jockey Injury Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-
S	Extend the Licensing Exemption at Saratoga Racetrack	-	-	-	-	-
T	Decrease the Medical Cannabis Excise Tax	(4)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)
ELFA R	Authorize Tax Incentive Benefits for Converting Commercial Property to Affordable Housing	-	-	-	-	-
ELFA U	Create a New Tax Abatement for Rental Housing Construction	-	-	-	-	-
ELFA T	Extend the Project Completion Deadline for Projects Vested in Real Property Tax Law 421-a	-	-	-	-	-
ELFA EE	Exemption of Newly Constructed or Converted Rental Multiple Dwellings Outside of New York City	-	-	-	-	-
ELFA GG	Provide a Real Property Tax Exemption for the Construction of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)	-	-	-	-	-
ELFA RR	Provide Tax Parity for Combative Sports	(0)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
ELFA AAA	Establish a Journalism Sustainability Credit	-	-	(30)	(30)	(30)
ELFA BBB	Provide a Supplemental Empire State Child Credit (ESCC)	(350)	-	-	-	-
PPGG BB	Return Tax Foreclosure Surplus to Property Owner (Formerly Part	-	-	-	-	-
TED PP	Provide a Sales Tax Exemption the Purchase and Installation of Energy Storage Systems	(0)	(0)	(0)	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact		(359)	192	339	344	294

PUBLIC PROTECTION & GENERAL GOVERNMENT

By Agency

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC)

The Legislature accepts the Executive All Funds appropriation of \$84.7 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

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide the Office of Cannabis Management with new enforcement authority in relation to closure of unlicensed businesses selling cannabis illegally, and provides additional enforcement authority to localities.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize Alcohol Beverage Reform measures related to same day community notification for retail license and renewal applications, one-day permit holders to provide all types of alcoholic beverages, catering permits for indoor and outdoor events, and repeal the restriction that wine and liquor stores must be located at street level.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize temporary wholesaler permits to applicants with pending wholesale license applications.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the powers and duties of the State Liquor Authority and Chairperson, by providing a three-year extension.**
- **The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to extend temporary retail permits by one-year.**

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the authorization that allows any licensed bar or restaurant to sell for takeout or delivery any alcoholic beverage for consumption off premise (to-go), by providing a five-year extension.**
- **The Legislature includes language to authorize movie theaters to sell liquor.**
- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to make permanent the authorization of a retail on-premises licensee to file an application with the State Liquor Authority to use municipal public space for outdoor dining if authorized by the local government.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Audit and Control

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$567.4 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 Division of the Budget (DOB)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$51.1 million, an increase of \$877,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature provides \$602,000 to restore funding for various membership dues.**
- **The Legislature provides \$275,000 in additional funding for the auditing of various federal programs.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Civil Service

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$100.6 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

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.6 billion which is an increase of \$1 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides \$1 million for the transportation of families to and from correctional facilities.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature authorizes the Governor to close up to five Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) correctional facilities in the State Fiscal Year 2024-25 and requires the Governor to provide notice to the Temporary President of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly at least 90 days prior to any such closures.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State Commission of Correction

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Criminal Justice Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$820.6 million, an increase of \$32.7 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides an additional \$4.2 million for Prisoner’s Legal Services, for total funding of \$6.4 million.
- The Legislature restores \$4.2 million in Legal Services Assistance Fund (LSAF) support as follows:
 - \$2.8 million for civil and criminal legal service grants; and
 - \$1.4 million for various legal and domestic violence grants.
- The Legislature provides \$2.1 million for the New York State Defenders Association, for total funding of \$3.1 million.
- The Legislature restores \$609,000 in domestic violence related civil and criminal legal services support:
 - \$72,000 for Legal Aid Society of New York – DV Services;
 - \$60,000 for Sanctuary for Families;
 - \$59,000 for Rochester Legal Aid Society;
 - \$52,000 for Empire Justice Center;
 - \$46,000 for Center for Safety & Change, Inc. (Domestic Violence Law Project of Rockland County);
 - \$46,000 for Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York;
 - \$46,000 for Brooklyn Legal Services, Inc. (Legal Services for New York City – Brooklyn);
 - \$46,000 for Queens Legal Services Corporations (Legal Services for New York City – Queens);
 - \$46,000 for My Sisters’ Place;
 - \$46,000 for The Safe Center LI Inc. (Nassau Coalition Against Domestic Violence);

- \$46,000 for Neighborhood Legal Services Inc. of Erie County; and
- \$46,000 for Volunteer Legal Services Project of Monroe County.
- **The Legislature restores \$600,000 in support of immigrant legal services:**
 - \$150,000 for Albany Law School - Immigration Clinic;
 - \$150,000 for Legal Aid Society - Immigration Law Unit;
 - \$150,000 for Legal Services NYC - DREAM Clinics; and
 - \$150,000 for Haitian - Americans United for Progress, Inc.
- **The Legislature provides \$300,000 in support for rape crisis centers.**
- **The Legislature also provides General Fund support for the following programs:**
 - \$7.2 million for community safety and restorative justice programs;
 - \$3.5 million for civil legal services in upstate New York;
 - \$2.8 million for Westchester County Policing Program;
 - \$1.54 million for gun violence prevention/reduction programs;
 - \$450,000 for Bronx Legal Services;
 - \$400,000 for Neighborhood Legal Services, Inc of Buffalo;
 - \$390,000 for Mobilization for Justice;
 - \$375,000 for the Brooklyn Defenders;
 - \$375,000 for New York County Defender Services;
 - \$300,000 for the BARD Prison Initiative;
 - \$300,000 for Brooklyn Legal Services;
 - \$300,000 for the Community Service Society of New York (Next-Door Project);
 - \$300,000 for Queens Borough Safety Patrol (QBSP) Inc.;
 - \$300,000 for the New York City Police Department;
 - \$275,000 for the Fortune Society;
 - \$275,000 for the Legal Education Opportunity Program (NYS Judicial Institute);
 - \$250,000 for the Child Center of New York;
 - \$250,000 for the United Jewish Organizations of Williamsburg (Brooklyn Conflicts Office);
 - \$250,000 for Kingsbridge Heights Community Center;
 - \$250,000 for Moshoula Montefiore Community Center;
 - \$250,000 for Firemen's Association of the State of New York;
 - \$225,000 for the Center for Family Representation;
 - \$225,000 for the John Jay Prison to College Pipeline Initiative;
 - \$200,000 for the Bergen Basin Development Corporation;
 - \$200,000 for Common Justice;
 - \$200,000 for the Greenburger Center for Social and Criminal Justice;
 - \$200,000 for the Kings Bay YM YWHA, Inc (Heal the Violence Initiative);
 - \$230,000 for Osborne Association;

- **\$200,000 for Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities of the Capital District;**
- **\$175,000 for Brooklyn Defender Services;**
- **\$160,000 for Capital District Women’s Bar Association Legal Project, Inc.;**
- **\$150,000 for Kings Against Violence Initiative;**
- **\$150,000 for Shalom Task Force;**
- **\$150,000 for Youth Justice Network;**
- **\$150,000 for Central Family Life Center;**
- **\$135,000 for Housing Court Answers;**
- **\$127,000 for the Correctional Association of New York;**
- **\$125,000 for Goddard Riverside Community Center;**
- **\$120,000 for Nassau/Suffolk Law Services Committee Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for the Haitian American Lawyers Association;**
- **\$100,000 for Center for Court Innovation Youth SOS - Crown Heights;**
- **\$100,000 for Center for Justice Innovation Inc. – Redhook Community Justice Center;**
- **\$100,000 for Economic Opportunity Council of Suffolk, Inc;**
- **\$100,000 for the New York Wing Civil Air Patrol;**
- **\$100,000 for Bailey House-Project First, Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for Brownsville Think Tank Matters, Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for Cornell University (Criminal Justice Employment Initiative);**
- **\$100,000 for John F. Finn Institute for Public Safety;**
- **\$100,000 for Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for Richmond County District Attorney’s Office;**
- **\$100,000 for Families and Friends of the Wrongfully Convicted;**
- **\$100,000 for Pace Women’s Justice Center;**
- **\$90,000 for Legal Services of the Hudson Valley – Domestic Violence Prevention Project;**
- **\$75,000 for Center for Employment Opportunities;**
- **\$75,000 for Groundswell Community Mural Project;**
- **\$75,000 for The Legal Action Center of the City of New York;**
- **\$75,000 for Rockland County Sheriff;**
- **\$50,000 for City Line Ozone Park Civilian Patrol;**
- **\$50,000 for Elmcors Youth and Adult Activities;**
- **\$50,000 for NYU Veterans Entrepreneurship Program;**
- **\$25,000 for Girl Vow Inc.;**
- **\$25,000 for Glendale Civilian Observation Patrol;**
- **\$20,000 for New Hour for Women and Children; and**
- **\$10,000 for the Suffolk County Police (Asian Jade Society).**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Legislature creates a new crime of assault on a retail worker, which is a class E Felony.
- The Legislature creates a new crime of fostering the sale of stolen goods, which is a class A Misdemeanor.
- The Legislature adds offenses to the specified offenses in the hate crime statute, and directs the Chief Administrator of the Courts to record whether a hate crime was charged in the reporting materials they publish.
- The Legislature amends aggravated harassment in the second degree to include striking, shoving, kicking, or other physical contact with employees of a transit agency or authority while such individual is performing an assigned duty, which is a class A misdemeanor, and make conforming changes to the covered employees in assault in the second degree.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State Board of Elections

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$165.9 million, an increase of \$7.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature provides \$2.5 million to establish the New York Voting and Elections Database.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides \$5 million for local Boards of Elections for increased costs related to a Presidential election year.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal by restoring language to ensure that funds for costs related to the purchase of electronic poll books are allocated based on the number of registered voters in a County.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature creates the Doctor John L. Flateau Voting and Elections Database, to maintain a publicly available centralized database within the State Board of Elections of certain election and voting data.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Employee Relations

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$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

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Executive Chamber

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$23.6 million, an increase of \$325,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$325,000 for the Office of Service and Civic Engagement within the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Financial Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$534 million, an increase of \$250,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides \$250,000 for the Education Debt Consumer Assistance Program.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require insurers to provide at least the Medicaid Ambulatory Patient Group rate for covered services provided by in-network facilities that are licensed, certified, authorized, or operated by the Office of Addiction Services and Supports or the Office of Mental Health.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to amend the methodology by which tax credits and assessments are issued to member insurers of the Life and Health Insurance Company Guaranty Corporation.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of General Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.4 billion.

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

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.1 billion, an increase of \$2.3 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides:
 - \$1.5 million for the services and expense of the American Red Cross;
 - \$750,000 for the New York State Professional Fire Fighters Associations (NYSPFFA); and
 - \$50,000 for the Maynard Fire Department.

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Indigent Legal Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$474.5 million, an increase of \$15 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$15 million for parental representation to improve the quality of representation to persons who are entitled to counsel in family court matters and are unable to obtain counsel.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$11.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Interest on Lawyers Account

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$119.9 million, an increase of \$55 million or 84.7 percent over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$40 million for the Homeowner Protection Program.
- The Legislature provides \$15 million for legal counsel in eviction proceedings.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Commission on Judicial Conduct

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.9 million, an increase of \$588,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$588,000 for operations of the Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Law

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$378.4 million, an increase of \$2.1 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$2.1 million for the Office of Special Investigation (OSI).

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 Division of Military and Naval Affairs

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$271.4 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

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$17.9 million, an increase of \$50,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature restores \$50,000 for the Family Violence and Women's Rights Clinic at the University at Buffalo School of Law.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.8 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 Public Employment Relations Board

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$5.9 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of State Police

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.2 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

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Statewide Financial System

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$32 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 Office of Information Technology Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$10 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **\$10 million included for the digitization of government services including expanded use of digital credentials, identity rationalization, and streamlined access to digitized government services.**

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 Victim Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$366.8 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

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Workers' Compensation Board

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$227.3 million.

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 does not include the Executive proposal to modify the benefit rates for temporary disability leave.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget General State Charges

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.9 billion, an increase of \$84.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal that would require the rate of interest paid upon any judgment or accrued claim to be calculated based on the market rate and instead restores \$2.5 million.
- The Legislature includes \$289,000 for the City of Kingston and \$33,000 for the Town of Ulster for the reimbursement of tax revenues lost resulting from the creation of the Sojourner Truth State Park.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to end reimbursement of the Medicare Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount for premiums charged on and after January 1, 2024, made by the State to active or retired public employees and their dependents.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the president of the Civil Service Commission to require the payment of interest on late payments made by certain employers for the administration of the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP).

- **The Legislature increases part of the final average salary used to determine pension benefits for New York City first grade police officers who have served for 25 or 30 years to the salary of a third grade detective or sergeant, respectively.**
- **The Legislature changes the final average salary of Tier 6 retirement system members from the average of the five highest-earning consecutive years of employment to the average of the three highest-earning consecutive years of employment.**
- **The Legislature expands eligibility for the statutory heart presumption in relation of line of duty disability retirement and death benefits for university police officers employed by the State University of New York.**
- **The Legislature establishes a 25 year retirement plan for fire protection inspectors and associate fire protection inspectors employed by the City of New York or the New York City Fire Department.**
- **The Legislature extends provisions of law waiving the income cap for retirees employed by a public school or board of cooperative educational services for one year, from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025.**
- **The Legislature extends the exclusion of overtime wages from the salary upon which Tier 6 retirement system members contributions are based for two years, from April 1, 2024 to April 1, 2026.**
- **The Legislature deems service credit in the New York City Employees' Retirement System rendered as a police officer in the Department of Environmental Protection as creditable in a New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System service-based retirement plan.**

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

Deferred Compensation Board

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Health Insurance Contingency Reserve

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Health Insurance Reserve Receipts

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Labor Management Committees

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Workers' Compensation Reserve

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Local Government Assistance

- **The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$862.4 million, an increase of \$52.6 million over the Executive proposal.**

State Operations

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides:**
 - **An additional \$50 million in Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) Funding for certain cities, towns, and villages outside of New York City;**
 - **\$1.2 million to Onondaga County, for the Syracuse City School District;**
 - **\$309,000 to the Village of Washingtonville;**
 - **\$300,000 to the Village of New Paltz;**
 - **\$300,000 to the New York City Department of Sanitation;**
 - **\$200,000 to the City of Auburn for the Equal Rights Heritage Center;**
 - **\$115,000 to Broome County for the Forum Theater;**
 - **\$90,000 to the Village of Flower Hill; and**
 - **\$75,000 to the Village of East Hills.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature extends the authority of various legislative commissions for one additional year.**
- **The Legislature extends various provisions relating to participation by minority- and women-owned business enterprises in state contracts until July 1, 2025.**
- **The Legislature repeals the New York Waterfront Commission statute in unconsolidated law and establishes a new Waterfront Commission within the Executive Department.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to sunset State-matching funds for the County-Wide Shared-Services Initiative (CWSSI), by eliminating state matching funds for certain county-wide shared services projects not submitted and approved before January 1, 2024.**
- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to increase the New York City Transitional Finance Authority's bond cap from \$13.5 billion to \$27.5 billion over two years.**
- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to increase the maximum threshold for Local Government Efficiency Grants.**

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to allow New York City to legalize illegal basement and cellar apartment units, by establishing a five-year pilot program within 15 City Community Districts, requiring health and safety standards to be promulgated in consultation with the New York City Fire Department, Department of Buildings, and Office of Emergency Management, and by requiring additional health and safety standards for basements and cellars located within flood hazard areas.**
- **The Legislature includes a proposal to give the City of Dunkirk the authority to finance their outstanding deficit.**

EDUCATION, LABOR & FAMILY ASSISTANCE

By Agency

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Veterans' Services

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$34 million, an increase of \$3.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides \$3.5 million in restorations and additions for the following programs:**
 - **\$500,000 for African American Veterans Monument Inc.;**
 - **\$500,000 for the New York State Defenders Association;**
 - **\$405,000 for Legal Services of the Hudson Valley;**
 - **\$325,000 for Clear Path for Veterans;**
 - **\$300,000 for Helmets-to-Hardhats;**
 - **\$220,000 for the New York State Defenders Association – Long Island Expansion;**
 - **\$200,000 for Legal Services of NYC Veterans Justice Project;**
 - **\$200,000 for SAGE Veterans Project;**
 - **\$150,000 for the Outdoor RX program;**
 - **\$125,000 for the Department of New York Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Inc.;**
 - **\$100,000 for the Buffalo and Erie County Naval and Military Park;**
 - **\$100,000 for Enlisted for Life;**
 - **\$100,000 for Utica Center for Development;**
 - **\$100,000 for Veterans Outreach Center;**
 - **\$100,000 for Vietnam Veterans of America – New York State Council;**
 - **\$80,000 for Touro University Law Center Veterans' and Servicemembers' Rights Clinic; and**
 - **\$15,000 for THE POINT Community Development Corporation.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Council on the Arts

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$95.0 million, an increase of \$45.0 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature restores:
 - \$40 million in additional local assistance arts grants;
 - \$4 million for regional arts and cultural councils; and
 - \$1 million for stabilization grants to small and mid-sized arts organizations.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6 billion, which is an increase of \$148.8 million or 2.5 percent over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature increases funding for CUNY Operating Aid by \$40 million over the Executive, which is \$76 million over the 2023-24 Academic Year (AY).
- The Legislature provides \$4 million for the CUNY Medical School.
- The Legislature restores \$2.3 million and provides a \$250,000 increase for the School of Labor and Urban Studies for a total of \$6.2 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1.1 million for Search for Education, Elevation, and Knowledge (SEEK) and provides a \$564,000 increase for a total of \$38.7 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million for Mental Health Programs, for a total of \$2 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million for Nursing Programs, for a total of \$3 million.
- The Legislature provides the following adds and restorations:
 - \$1.2 million for the CUNY Black Male Initiative;
 - \$750,000 for the Medgar Evers Du Bois Bunche Center for Public Policy;
 - \$500,000 for the CUNY Midwifery Program;
 - \$500,000 for the Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy Sexual and Reproductive Justice Program;
 - \$350,000 for the Asian American Research Institute;
 - \$350,000 for the Haywood Burns Chair in Human and Civil Rights;
 - \$250,000 for Medgar Evers Election Data Analysis and Research; and
 - \$150,000 for the CUNY Mock Senate.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides an additional \$5.3 million for CUNY Community Colleges for the Academic Year (AY), for a total of \$223.3 million.

- The Legislature provides a restoration of \$54,000 and an increase of \$27,000 for College Discovery, for a total of \$1.9 million.

Capital Projects

- The Legislature provides an additional \$40 million for expansion capital, for a total of \$140 million.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$46.4 billion, which is an increase of \$615 million or 1.3 percent, over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature restores \$1 million to the Summer School for the Arts and provides an additional \$200,000 increase from the 2023-24 funding level, for a total of \$2.7 million.
- The Legislature restores \$150,000 for the Rochester City School District Fiscal Consultant.
- The Legislature provides:
 - \$4 million for updates to the New York state English as a second language achievement test;
 - \$2 million for the SUNY Rockefeller Institute of Government, to conduct a study and recommend updates and changes to the Foundation Aid formula in consultation with the State Education Department and stakeholders;
 - \$500,000 for SED to review and update curriculum on the Holocaust;
 - \$500,000 to support the development and implementation of the translation of grades 3-8 English language arts and math state assessments and the regents examinations;
 - \$400,000 for Financial Literacy Curriculum Development; and
 - \$150,000 for a task force on Dyslexia and Dysgraphia.
- The Legislature also includes \$1.8 million for the addition of nine new full-time equivalent (FTE) and temporary staff, which includes:
 - \$934,000 in support of nine new FTEs for SED's Charter School Office; and
 - \$865,000 to support up to 19 temporary staff for federal American Rescue Plan Grant Administration.

Aid to Localities

Office of Prekindergarten through Grade 12 Education

- **The Legislature provides total State funding for school aid of \$36.9 billion, an increase of \$579 million over the Executive proposal and \$1.3 billion over State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023-24.**
- **For Foundation Aid, the Legislature provides a \$430 million increase over the Executive, which is a \$934.5 million increase over the 2023-24 School Year, for a total of \$24.9 billion. This includes a restoration of the Hold Harmless Provision, and an increase of the inflation factor to 2.8 percent.**
- **The Legislature adjusts the funding cap for Transportation After 4 by \$5 million, for a total of \$29.9 million.**
- **The Legislature approves adjusting Reorganization Incentive Operating Aid, to align with the most recent Foundation Aid base. This would provide increased aid should school districts choose to reorganize.**
- **The Legislature restores \$14.3 million for Teacher Resource and Computer Training Centers.**
- **The Legislature restores \$1.5 million for the Consortium for Worker Education (CWE), for a total of \$13 million.**
- **The Legislature restores funding for the following state-appointed monitors:**
 - **\$225,000 for the East Ramapo Central School District Monitor;**
 - **\$175,000 for the Hempstead Union Free School District Monitor;**
 - **\$175,000 for the Rochester City School District Monitor; and**
 - **\$175,000 for the Wyandanch Union Free School District Monitor.**
- **The Legislature restores \$385,000 for Bilingual or Multilingual Training Programs for Teachers.**
- **The Legislature ensures that no school participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) will be ineligible to participate in the Farm-to-School Program.**

- **The Legislature also provides the following adds and restorations:**
 - **\$12 million for the Yonkers City School District;**
 - **\$2 million for the Amityville Union Free School District;**
 - **\$2 million for Tax Certiorari Grants;**
 - **\$1.7 million for the Mind Builders Creative Arts Center;**
 - **\$1.2 million for Buffalo City School District Health Services;**
 - **\$1.2 million for Rochester City School District Health Services;**
 - **\$1.1 million for Implicit Bias Training;**
 - **\$1 million for the Executive Leadership Institute;**
 - **\$750,000 for Long Island Pre-K Tech Assistance;**
 - **\$650,000 for NYC Kids RISE;**
 - **\$632,000 for Professional Performing Arts School NYC;**
 - **\$500,000 for the Center for Educational Innovation;**
 - **\$500,000 for Autism Research at SUNY Albany;**
 - **\$500,000 for the Teacher Diversity Pipeline Pilot;**
 - **\$500,000 for the Magellan Foundation, Inc.;**
 - **\$500,000 for United Community Schools, Inc.;**
 - **\$461,000 for Bard Early College High School-Queens;**
 - **\$400,000 for the Biobus;**
 - **\$250,000 for the CWE Credentialling;**
 - **\$250,000 for the Fund for the City of New York-Promise Project;**
 - **\$250,000 for the Queens College Townsend Harris High School;**
 - **\$250,000 for the Universal Hip Hop Museum;**
 - **\$250,000 for New York Medical College Disaster Training;**
 - **\$240,000 for the Future Giants Advancing Classroom Technology Program;**
 - **\$200,000 for Education Through Music, Inc.;**
 - **\$150,000 for BRIC Arts Media;**
 - **\$150,000 for the DIA Arts Foundation;**
 - **\$150,000 for the Underground Railroad Cultural Education Center;**
 - **\$150,000 for the Project Witness;**
 - **\$125,000 for the Oneida Herkimer Madison BOCES School Milk Pilot Program;**
 - **\$125,000 for the Evander Childs Educational Campus;**
 - **\$120,000 for the Bronx Bethany Community Corporation;**
 - **\$100,000 for the African American Cultural Museum;**
 - **\$100,000 for the Center for Jewish History;**
 - **\$100,000 for the Hillside Children’s Center;**
 - **\$100,000 for the Global Kids;**
 - **\$100,000 for the Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center;**
 - **\$75,000 for the Storm King Arts Center;**
 - **\$50,000 for the Long Island Latino Teachers Association;**
 - **\$50,000 for the Organizacion Latino Americana of Eastern Long Island (OLA); and**
 - **\$50,000 for the Auschwitz Jewish Center Foundation.**

Special Education

- **The Legislature provides an additional \$1.5 million for Schools for the Blind and Deaf (4201 Schools), for a total of \$113.4 million.**
- **The Legislature restores and adds funding for the following Independent Schools for the Blind and Deaf:**
 - **\$1 million for the Lavelle School for the Blind;**
 - **\$903,000 for the Henri Viscardi School for the Deaf;**
 - **\$903,000 for the New York School for the Deaf;**
 - **\$903,000 for Lexington School for the Deaf;**
 - **\$500,000 for the Cleary School for the Deaf;**
 - **\$500,000 for the Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf;**
 - **\$300,000 for Rochester School for the Deaf;**
 - **\$150,000 for the St. Francis de Sales School for the Deaf; and**
 - **\$150,000 for the St. Mary's School for the Deaf.**

Nonpublic Schools

- **The Legislature provides an additional \$1.9 million for Nonpublic School Aid, for a total of \$241 million.**
- **The Legislature provides a \$2.5 million increase for Nonpublic STEM, for a total of \$75.5 million.**
- **The Legislature provides \$5 million for Nonpublic Arts & Music.**
- **The Legislature restores \$1 million for State Sponsored School Immunization Program.**
- **The Legislature provides an additional \$500,000 for Academic Intervention Services for Nonpublic Schools, for a total of \$1.4 million.**

Cultural Education

- **The Legislature provides a \$1.7 million increase in funding for Library Aid over the Executive, for a total of \$103.9 million.**
- **The Legislature provides an additional \$125,000 for the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, for a total of \$500,000.**
- **The Legislature provides an additional \$55,000 for the Langston Hughes Community Library for a total of \$167,500.**
- **The Legislature also provides \$500,000 for a Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program.**

Adult Career and Continuing Education Services

- **The Legislature provides an additional \$500,000 for Adult Literacy Education, for a total of \$9.8 million.**
- **The Legislature provides an additional \$750,000 for Independent Living Centers, for a total of \$16.8 million.**

Office of Higher Education and the Professions

- **The Legislature restores:**
 - **\$1.4 million for the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP) and provides a \$714,000 increase, for a total of \$49 million;**
 - **\$636,000 for the Science and Technology Entry Program (STEP) and provides a \$318,000 increase, for a total of \$21.8 million;**
 - **\$482,000 for the Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program (CSTEP) and provides a \$241,000 increase, for a total of \$16.5 million;**
 - **\$738,000 for the Liberty Partnerships Program and provides a \$369,000 increase, for a total of \$25.3 million;**
 - **\$241,000 for the Foster Youth Initiative and provides a \$121,000 increase, for a total of \$8.3 million;**
 - **\$2 million for Students with Disabilities, for a total of \$4 million;**
 - **\$750,000 for the Dental Grant Program;**

- \$350,000 for the Latino U College Access; and
- \$200,000 for the On Point for College.

Capital Projects

- The Legislature provides:
 - \$30 million for Schools for the Blind and Deaf (4201);
 - \$25 million for Nonpublic School Health and Safety Grants, for a total \$70 million;
 - \$10 million in additional Library Capital, for a total of \$44 million; and
 - \$10 million for the New York State Museum.

Article VII

The Legislature:

- requires the Commissioner of Education to provide, and periodically update, school districts with instructional best practices for the teaching of reading instruction for students in prekindergarten through grade three by January 1, 2025. School districts would be required to annually review their instructional practices to ensure they align with the early reading instructional practices and verify such to the Commissioner by September 1, 2025;
- extends the deadline for the State Education Department to present its recommendations and analysis from the special education tuition rate-setting methodology study from July 1, 2025 to July 1, 2027;
- removes the smart schools review board from law, and requires the Commissioner of Education to carry out the responsibilities of such board;
- provides a double multi-year cost allowance for the Binghamton City School District;
- requires the Commissioner of Education to verify that each high school senior's parent or guardian has completed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application, DREAM Act application, or waiver form developed by SED showing that a student has knowledge of the FAFSA and choosing not to file an application;

- authorizes student data to be shared with HESC, SUNY, and CUNY for educational purposes pursuant to the federal Family and Educational Rights Act and for financial aid program evaluation;
- establishes a Zero-Emission School Bus Resource Center within NYSERDA to provide information for school districts regarding the transition to zero-emission school buses; and
- requires the Commissioner of Education to conduct a study on consolidating the prekindergarten funding streams and make recommendations on potential modifications to streamline the universal prekindergarten funding process and programmatic implementation.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$5.7 billion, an increase of \$137.8 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature includes language to require the Family Child Care Networks Pilot Program (FCCNs) to make provider recruitment and expansion in child care deserts a priority.
- The Legislature programs an additional \$26 million in federal Child Care funding, including:
 - \$13 million to support a 10 percent differential payment rate for providers who care for homeless children and offer nontraditional hours;
 - \$6.5 million for the United Way of Greater NY funded in the Department of Health (DOH);
 - \$5 million for the United Way Rochester;
 - \$1 million in additional funding for Infant Toddler Mental Health Consultants; and
 - \$500,000 for the Stack Project, Inc.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive 1.5 percent Human Services Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) by adding an additional \$115 million to support a 1.7 percent targeted salary increase to support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies COLA would be \$244.4 million, including \$9.7 million for OCFS.
- The Legislature includes language which would expedite the contract process for the new L.E.A.P.S. afterschool program, allowing for certain schools who do not contract with a community-based organization to extend their current contracts for one year. Additionally, if the Request for Proposals is not finalized in time, all current Empire Afterschool and Advantage Afterschool contracts would be extended for one additional year.

- **The Legislature provides an additional \$100.1 million in funding for the following programs:**
 - **\$29.5 million for various initiatives;**
 - **\$10 million for the Statewide Youth Sports Grants Program;**
 - **\$10 million for the Facilitated Enrollment 400 percent FPL program;**
 - **\$5.6 million for YMCA of Greater NY;**
 - **\$4 million for Settlement Houses;**
 - **\$3.4 million for Hispanic Federation;**
 - **\$2.5 million for additional Afterschool programming;**
 - **\$2.4 million for 2-1-1 New York;**
 - **\$2.2 million for the Simon Wiesenthal Center;**
 - **\$2 million for Child Advocacy Centers;**
 - **\$2 million additional for Runaway and Homeless Youth;**
 - **\$1.9 million for Kinship Care;**
 - **\$1.85 million for the Facilitated Enrollment 85 percent SMI program;**
 - **\$1.6 million for Fresh Air Fund;**
 - **\$1.6 million for Day One Learning;**
 - **\$1.5 million additional for the Youth Development Program;**
 - **\$1.3 million for the New York State Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs;**
 - **\$1 million for the New York State YMCA Foundation;**
 - **\$1 million for Help Me Grow New York;**
 - **\$1 million for Safe Harbor;**
 - **\$635,000 for Commonpoint Queens;**
 - **\$632,000 for Waterwell;**
 - **\$600,000 for the Metropolitan New York Coordinating Council on Jewish Poverty;**
 - **\$500,000 for the Jewish Child Care Association;**
 - **\$450,000 for New Alternatives for Children (NAC);**
 - **\$400,000 for Legal Services of the Hudson Valley Housing and Kinship Caregiver Services;**
 - **\$400,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Western New York;**
 - **\$350,000 for Bivona Child Advocacy Center;**
 - **\$350,000 for Little Haiti BK, Inc.;**
 - **\$300,000 for Heartshare St. Vincent Services;**
 - **\$280,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Northern Westchester;**
 - **\$260,000 for the Westchester County Youth Bureau;**
 - **\$250,000 for East Flatbush Village;**
 - **\$250,000 for Junior Achievement of New York;**
 - **\$250,000 for the West Indian Day Carnival Association;**
 - **\$250,000 for Make the Road - Community Organizing Projects;**
 - **\$250,000 for the Chinese American Planning Council;**
 - **\$250,000 for Tri Community Youth Agency;**

- **\$250,000 for Haitian Americans United for Progress;**
- **\$225,000 for the Association of New York State Youth Bureaus, Inc.;**
- **\$225,000 for Astor Services for Children and Families;**
- **\$200,000 for Citizens Committee NYC;**
- **\$200,000 for the Bergen Basin Community Development Corporation;**
- **\$200,000 for Open Buffalo;**
- **\$200,000 for Parent Child Plus;**
- **\$200,000 for Urban Upbound;**
- **\$200,000 for Grandpas United;**
- **\$200,000 for Children of Promise;**
- **\$200,000 for the Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties;**
- **\$175,000 for Shalom Task Force, Inc.;**
- **\$175,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Harlem;**
- **\$151,667 for Legal Services of the Hudson Valley- LGBTQ+ services;**
- **\$150,000 for Riseboro;**
- **\$150,000 for El Centro Hispano;**
- **\$150,000 for the Center for Family Representation;**
- **\$150,000 for Cornell ILR Buffalo Co-Lab;**
- **\$150,000 for the Greater Ithaca Activities Center;**
- **\$125,000 for United Jewish Organizations of Williamsburg;**
- **\$125,000 for the Center for Elder Law and Justice;**
- **\$100,000 for Kinship Navigator;**
- **\$100,000 for the Haitian Community Center;**
- **\$100,000 for the Beraca Community Development Corporation;**
- **\$100,000 for the Family Justice Center of Erie County;**
- **\$100,000 for NYPD Youth Explorers Program;**
- **\$100,000 for the Hispanic Heritage Cultural Institute;**
- **\$100,000 for Minkwon Center for Community Action;**
- **\$100,000 for Sesame Flyers;**
- **\$100,000 for the Afikim Foundation;**
- **\$100,000 for the Fund for the City of New York- The New Pride Agenda, Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for the Jewish Board;**
- **\$100,000 for Southside United HDFC/Los Sures;**
- **\$100,00 for Afro Latin Jazz Alliance;**
- **\$100,000 for the Council of Peoples Organization;**
- **\$100,00 for Kiryas Joel Social Services Organization;**
- **\$100,000 for the New Rochelle Boys and Girls Club;**
- **\$100,000 for the Buffalo Irish Center;**
- **\$100,000 for Covenant House;**
- **\$100,000 for Brooklyn Community Services;**
- **\$100,000 for Pa'Lante Harlem, Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for Diaspora Community Services;**
- **\$100,000 for Konbit Neg Lakay Rockland County;**
- **\$90,000 for Dominico American Society of Queens, Inc.;**

- \$75,000 for the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies (FPWA);
- \$75,000 for Fun in the Son;
- \$75,000 for the Jamaica Bay Rockaway Conservancy Parks;
- \$75,000 for the South End Children’s Café;
- \$75,000 for Young Parents United;
- \$75,000 for Fostering Youth Success Alliance;
- \$65,000 for Helen Keller Services for the Blind;
- \$65,000 for Fearless! (Safe Homes of Orange County);
- \$50,000 for White Plains Youth Bureau-Grandpas United- Fatherhood Initiative Pilot Program;
- \$50,000 for the Center for Advocacy Support and Transformation;
- \$50,000 for the Black Institute;
- \$50,000 for the Connect Center for Youth;
- \$50,000 for the Flatbush Development, Corp.;
- \$50,000 for JCC Rockland;
- \$50,000 for Long Island Cares;
- \$50,000 for SCO Family of Services Madonna Heights School;
- \$46,000 for Victory Community Services;
- \$30,000 for Westchester Jewish Community Services;
- \$30,000 for Wizkids Books B4 Basketball Program;
- \$30,000 for St. Luke’s Community Food Program;
- \$20,000 for the Extolling Excellence Foundation;
- \$20,000 for One Stop Richmond Hill Community Center;
- \$17,000 for the Pauline Walley Evangelistic Ministries Youth Program;
- \$15,000 for Latina Moms Connect, Inc.;
- \$10,000 for Hidden Gem, Inc.;
- \$10,000 for the Pakistani American Society of New York; and
- \$10,000 for St. Nicholas Chess 4 Kids, Inc.

Capital Projects

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

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- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to eliminate state reimbursement for residential Committee on Special Education placements made outside of New York City by maintaining the current financing structure for reimbursement for one year.
- The Legislature includes language requiring Local Social Services Districts to establish differential payment rates for child care services at ten percent higher than the actual cost of care or the market rate, whichever is less, when care is provided during non-traditional hours or for children experiencing homelessness.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$10.1 billion, an increase of \$26.3 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$10 million for rental arrears for public assistance recipients who live outside of New York City and have exhausted emergency arrears payments.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$5 million for Refugee Resettlement, for a total of \$7 million.
- The Legislature provides \$2 million for Double Up Food Bucks.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$2 million for the Nutritional Outreach and Education Program, for a total of \$5.5 million.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$1.5 million for the Disability Advocacy Program, for a total of \$6.8 million.
- The Legislature provides TANF funding for legislative initiatives that were eliminated in the Executive Budget, including:
 - \$5 million in additional funding for Summer Youth Employment, for a total of \$55 million;
 - \$4.1 million for ATTAIN, an increase of \$100,000 over the previous fiscal year;
 - \$1.4 million for Career Pathways;
 - \$800,000 for ACCESS;
 - \$785,000 for Preventative Services;
 - \$475,000 for the Wage Subsidy Program;
 - \$334,000 for SUNY/CUNY Child Care;
 - \$200,000 for the Jewish Child Care Association of New York;
 - \$200,000 for additional funding for non-residential domestic violence;
 - \$144,000 for Wheels for Work;

- \$82,000 for Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority; and
- \$25,000 for Centro of Oneida.
- **The Legislature provides an additional \$5.7 million for the following programs:**
 - \$1,500,000 for National Diaper Banks;
 - \$750,000 for Trillium Health;
 - \$650,000 for the Campaign Against Hunger;
 - \$500,000 for the Muslim Community Network;
 - \$375,000 for the Center for Community Alternatives;
 - \$350,000 for Part of the Solution (POTS);
 - \$300,000 for Island Harvest Food Bank;
 - \$250,000 for the Albany Damien Center;
 - \$150,000 for the Urban Resource Institute;
 - \$150,000 for SAGE;
 - \$125,000 for Goddard Riverside Community Center;
 - \$125,000 for the Westchester Community Opportunity Program;
 - \$100,000 for the Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County for the Green Teen Program;
 - \$75,000 for the City Mission of Schenectady Downtown Ambassador Program (Schenectady Works);
 - \$50,000 for the Arab American Family Support Center;
 - \$50,000 for Caring for the Hungry and Homeless of Peekskill;
 - \$50,000 for Meals on Wheels of Rockland County;
 - \$50,000 for People to People;
 - \$50,000 for Housing Help;
 - \$50,000 for the Hope Program; and
 - \$25,000 for ICNA Relief, Inc.

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) pass-through for 2025.**

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.1 billion, a \$64.4 million increase over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$55.7 million over the Executive to enact the following changes to the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP):
 - increase the TAP income threshold:
 - from \$80,000 to \$125,000 for dependent students, certain independent students, and students who qualify as an orphan, foster child or ward of the court;
 - from \$40,000 to \$60,000 for independent married students who have no other tax dependents; and
 - from \$10,000 to \$30,000 for single independent students who have no tax dependents.
 - raise the minimum TAP award from \$500 to \$1,000; and
 - provide part-time TAP to proprietary college students.
- The Legislature restores \$2.5 million and provides a \$5 million increase for Say Yes to Buffalo, Inc. for a total of \$7.5 million.
- The Legislature also restores \$1 million for the Senator Patricia K. McGee Nursing Faculty Scholarship Program for a total of \$4.9 million.
- The Legislature restores \$100,000 for the Child Welfare Workers Scholarship for a total of \$150,000.

- **The Legislature restores \$50,000 for the Young Farmers Loan Forgiveness Program for a total of \$150,000.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1 billion, an increase of \$607.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Enacted budget includes an additional \$6 million to support 35 new full-time equivalents (FTEs) in the Office of Rent Administration.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides funding for the following programs:**
 - **\$10 million for Land Banks;**
 - **\$2 million in additional funding for Fair Housing Testing, for a total of \$4 million;**
 - **\$1 million for various initiatives;**
 - **\$1 million for Riverbank Corporation-Co-Op City;**
 - **\$1 million for Parkside Development Company, Inc.;**
 - **\$594,000 for Bronxwood Towers;**
 - **\$332,000 for RJ Bruno Inc./Gun Hill Houses;**
 - **\$250,000 for Association for Neighborhood & Housing Development;**
 - **\$167,000 for Habitat for Humanity NYC and Westchester;**
 - **\$100,000 for PA'LANTE Harlem Inc.; and**
 - **\$50,000 for Housing Help Incorporated.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature provides funding for the following programs:**
 - **\$150 million for New York Housing for the Future;**
 - **\$140 million for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA);**
 - **\$80 million for Mitchell-Lama Preservation;**
 - **\$75 million for Public Housing Authorities outside of New York City;**
 - **\$40 million for Infill Homes;**
 - **\$40 million for vacant unit repairs outside of New York City;**
 - **\$40 million for Land Banks;**
 - **\$10 million for USDA 515 housing preservation;**

- \$7 million for the Small Rental Development Initiative; and
- \$3 million in additional funding for Access to Home, for a total of \$4 million.

Article VII

- The Legislature increases Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF) allocations by \$7 million to provide an additional \$4.8 million for Neighborhood Preservation Program (NPPs) and an additional \$2.2 million for Rural Preservation Program (RPPs) and restores the carve out of \$250,000 each to the Neighborhood Preservation Coalition and Rural Housing Coalition.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize New York City via zoning law, ordinance, or resolution, or a general project plan of the State Urban Development Corporation (UDC) to deviate from state law that caps the floor area ratio of a residential building provided certain conditions are met.
- The Legislature includes language to raise the cap for Individual Apartment Improvements (IAIs).
- The Legislatures includes language to prohibit the removal of tenants from their homes except for good cause within New York City (NYC) and by local option in the rest of the state.
- The Legislature includes language to clarify that a squatter is a person who enters onto or intrudes upon real property without the permission of the person entitled to possession, and continues to occupy the property without title, right or permission of the owner or owner's agent or a person entitled to possession.
- The Legislature includes language to require the NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) to annually audit 25 percent of properties that receive benefits under the Affordable Housing New York Program.
- The Legislature includes language to require the Division of Housing and Community Renewal to develop and administer a new statewide limited equity cooperative program to provide affordable homeownership and rental opportunities to low- and middle-income families.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division Of Human Rights

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$28.9 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Labor

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.3 billion, an increase of \$26.2 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides an additional \$26.2 million in funding for the following programs:
 - \$4 million for the Workforce Development Institute (WDI);
 - \$3 million for the Cornell Cannabis Workforce Initiative;
 - \$3 million for the Cornell ILR Labor Leading on Climate Initiative;
 - \$2.5 million for Youthbuild;
 - \$2.5 million for the Workforce Development Institute Manufacturing Initiative;
 - \$1.6 million for the Displaced Homemaker Program;
 - \$1 million for the Manufacturers Intermediary Apprenticeship Program (MIAP);
 - \$750,000 for Manufacturers Association of Central NY;
 - \$750,000 for the WDI Statewide Pre-Apprenticeship Program (SPAP);
 - \$500,000 for the Edward Malloy Apprenticeship Program;
 - \$500,000 for New Jewish Home;
 - \$375,000 for the Non-Traditional Employment for Women Childcare Program;
 - \$350,000 for New York Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH);
 - \$300,000 for the NYS AFL-CIO/Cornell Union Leadership Institute;
 - \$300,000 for the Cornell University Worker Institute;
 - \$300,000 for the Cornell ILR Yang-Tan Institute;
 - \$200,000 for the HOPE Program;
 - \$200,000 for Long Island NYCOSH;
 - \$200,000 for Western NY NYCOSH;
 - \$200,000 for Western NY BTPAP;
 - \$200,000 for Newburgh BTPAP;
 - \$200,000 for the Building Trades Pre-Apprenticeship Program (BTPAP) Albany/M.A.P.P.;
 - \$200,000 for the Building Trades Pre-Apprenticeship Program - Nassau County;

- \$200,000 for the Multi-craft Apprenticeship Program (M.A.P.P) Rochester;
- \$200,000 for the Upstate NY Laborers Training Center;
- \$200,000 for the Eastern NY Laborers Training Center;
- \$200,000 for Solar ONE;
- \$180,000 for the LGBTQ Black & Latino Institute for Leadership Training;
- \$180,000 for Gay Men’s Health Crisis;
- \$150,000 for the Center for Employment Opportunities;
- \$150,000 for the Cornell ILR Sexual Harassment Prevention Program;
- \$150,000 for the Cornell University Domestic Violence Program;
- \$150,000 for the Crenulated Company Young Adult Opportunity Initiative;
- \$150,000 for Cornell Buffalo Co-Lab;
- \$120,000 for Collective Food Works;
- \$100,000 for the National Domestic Workers Alliance;
- \$100,000 for Nonprofit Westchester;
- \$100,000 for LGBTQ Works;
- \$100,000 for N Power;
- \$100,000 for the North Country Chamber of Commerce;
- \$100,000 for the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce;
- \$85,000 for Northeast NY NYCOSH;
- \$75,000 for Youth Build Schenectady;
- \$75,000 for the New York City Industrial and Technology Assistance Corporation;
- \$50,000 for Urban League of Rochester;
- \$50,000 for the Cornell Training and Education, Criminal Records Program;
- \$50,000 for the Girls Building Trades Summer Camp; and
- \$50,000 for Rochester Careers in Construction Inc.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require employers to provide employees with 30 minutes of paid break time for breast milk expression.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide a sunset date for COVID-19 sick leave benefits to be repealed on July 31, 2025.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require all employers to provide employees with 20 hours of paid prenatal personal leave.

- **The Legislature includes language to extend the implementation of the new partial Unemployment Insurance (UI) calculation system until the Department of Labor has concluded their UI Modernization Project or February 1, 2025, whichever is earlier. Beginning on October 1, 2024, if the Department has not yet completed the modernization project, they would be required to update the Legislature on their progress every 15 days.**
- **The Legislature intentionally omits the Executive proposal to exempt violations of certain frequency of pay requirements for employers of manual workers from being subject to liquidated damages.**
- **The Legislature intentionally omits the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Labor to seize an employer's assets who has violated certain wage payment requirements.**

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$198.5 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

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$13.6 billion, which is an increase of \$233.6 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature increases funding for SUNY Operating Aid by \$60 million over the Executive, which is \$114 million over the 2023-24 Academic Year (AY).
- The Legislature shifts the cost of SUNY hospital debt service to the State for the upcoming fiscal year, saving the three SUNY hospitals \$79.1 million.
- The Legislature provides \$2 million for the SUNY Rockefeller Institute of Government to conduct a study of the Foundation Aid formula. The study will issue non-binding recommendations for updates to the existing formula in consultation with the State Education Department and stakeholders. The study will hold at least three public hearings.
- The Legislature restores \$1.3 million and increases funding by \$647,000 for the Educational Opportunity Program, for a total of \$44.4 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million for High Needs Nursing Programs, for a total of \$2.7 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million for Mental Health Services, for a total of \$2 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million and provides an additional \$1 million for SUNY Maritime Appointments, for a total of \$2.2 million.
- The Legislature also provides the following adds and restorations:
 - \$500,000 for the University at Buffalo Law Institute;
 - \$433,000 for the Immigrant Integration Research and Policy Institute;
 - \$350,000 for the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander Research Institute;
 - \$350,000 for the Black Leadership Institute;
 - \$250,000 for SUNY Farmingdale Aviation Tuition Assistance;
 - \$200,000 for University at Buffalo Regional Institute;

- **\$165,000 for the Long Island State Veterans Home; and**
- **\$150,000 for the Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides an additional \$8 million for SUNY community colleges for the 2024-25 Academic Year (AY), for a total of \$424.6 million.**
- **The Legislature restores:**
 - **\$1.7 million for Cornell Cooperative Extension for a total of \$6.2 million;**
 - **\$300,000 for Dutchess Community College including \$150,000 for Housing and Food Insecurity Services; and**
 - **restores \$200,000 for SUNY Schenectady Community College.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature provides an additional \$60 million for expansion capital, for a total of \$160 million.**
- **The Legislature provides \$150 million for SUNY Hospitals capital.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive Article VII proposal that would make permanent certain provisions of the NY-SUNY 2020 Challenge Grant Program Act to instead extend the Act for three years.**
- **The Legislature requires project labor agreements for large scale SUNY construction fund projects that cost \$10 million or more.**
- **The Legislature provides a land lease agreement for the town of Southampton for the purpose of rehabilitating and restoring the historic windmill located on SUNY Stony Brook's Southampton campus.**
- **The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to transfer land on two SUNY Campuses and one DOT Campus.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Welfare Inspector General

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.4 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
Miscellaneous: Education, Labor, and Family Assistance**

Raise the Age

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$80 million, a \$30 million increase over the Executive proposal.

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature provides an additional \$30 million for the Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program which provides facility enhancement grants to small and mid-sized organizations, to be administered by the New York State Council on the Arts. This funding would require regional balance in the selection of awards and does not place matching requirements upon grant recipients.**

Higher Education Facilities Capital Matching Grants Program

- **The Legislature provides \$40 million for an additional round of Higher Education Matching Grants Program (HECap) funding.**

HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE

By Agency

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget State Office for the Aging (SOFA)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$395.5 million, an increase of \$27.2 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature modifies the Executive 1.5 percent Human Services Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) by adding an additional \$115 million to support a 1.7 percent targeted salary increase to support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies COLA would be \$244.4 million, including \$6.4 million for SOFA.
- The Legislature provides \$10 million for the Expanded in-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP).
- The Legislature provides \$2.5 million for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP).
- The Legislature provides \$1.4 million for the Holocaust Survivors Initiative.
- The Legislature provides \$1 million for Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORC) and Neighborhood Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NNORC) nursing services.
- The Legislature provides funding for the following programs:
 - \$3 million in additional services and programs;
 - \$1 million for the Guardianship Hotline;
 - \$900,000 for the Metropolitan New York Coordinating Council on Jewish Poverty;
 - \$700,000 for the LISMA Foundation;
 - \$400,000 for Regional Aid for Interim Needs;
 - \$375,000 for Lifespan of Greater Rochester;
 - \$325,000 for the Center for Elder Law and Justice;

- **\$300,000 for SAGE LGBT Welcome Elder Housing;**
- **\$250,000 for the Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island;**
- **\$250,000 for Westchester Residential Opportunities;**
- **\$200,000 for LiveOn NY;**
- **\$200,000 for the Older Adult Technology Center;**
- **\$200,000 for Queens Community House;**
- **\$200,000 for the Statewide Senior Action Council Patients' Rights Hotline;**
- **\$150,000 for the Colonie Senior Services Center;**
- **\$150,000 for Wayside Out-Reach Development;**
- **\$115,000 for Lenox Hill Neighborhood House;**
- **\$112,000 for Guardianship Corporation;**
- **\$112,000 for Project Guardianship;**
- **\$100,000 for Selfhelp Community Services;**
- **\$100,000 for Services Now for Adult Persons;**
- **\$86,000 for the NY Foundation for Seniors;**
- **\$50,000 for the Glen Cove Senior Center;**
- **\$50,000 for India Home;**
- **\$50,000 for Spring Creek Senior Partners; and**
- **\$25,000 for the Jewish Association for Services of the Aged Bay Eden Senior Center.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Council on Developmental Disabilities

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.8 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

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 Department of Health (DOH)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$125.1 billion, an increase of \$4.8 billion over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$425,000 to restore hospital audits for resident working hours.

Aid to Localities

Medicaid

- The Legislature provides \$500 million in funding for financially distressed Hospitals.
- The Legislature provides \$200 million in funding for Hospital rate increases.
- The Legislature provides \$150 million in funding for Nursing Home and Assisted Living Program per diem rate increases.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to save \$200.4 million through the elimination of wage parity.
- The Legislature saves \$200 million by transitioning to a centralized, single fiscal intermediary system under the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP).
- The Legislature provides \$48.4 million to partially restore the Mainstream Managed Care and Managed Long Term Care Quality Pools.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to competitively procure managed care organizations which would have saved \$150 million in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025-26.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to save \$400 million in unallocated savings in the Medicaid program.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to save \$125 million in SFY 2025-26 by restructuring Health Homes.

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to save \$7.5 million by carving Managed Care out of the Independent Dispute Resolution process.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to save \$5 million by eliminating prescriber prevails.

Public Health

- The Legislature provides \$23.3 million for the Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance program for a total of \$58 million, \$1.3 million above last year.
- The Legislature provides \$7.2 million to relieve 300 high-need family caregivers through 120 paid days in respite care at Adult Care Facilities.
- The Legislature provides \$6.3 million to provide care teams at home for low-income older adults.
- The Legislature provides \$10 million to restore various public health programs, including:
 - \$3.5 million for the Empire Clinical Research Investigator Program (ECRIP);
 - \$3.2 million for EQUAL Program;
 - \$1.5 million for the Rabies Treatment and Prevention Program;
 - \$990,000 for the Physician Medical Conduct Program;
 - \$430,000 for Health Promotion Initiatives;
 - \$380,000 for the Enriched Housing Program;
 - \$69,400 for Lyme Disease and Tick-borne Illnesses; and
 - \$26,000 for the Long Term Care Community Coalition.
- The Legislature provides \$39.3 million to restore physicians excess medical malpractice.
- The Legislature provides \$26 million for the Reproductive Freedom and Equity Grant Program.
- The Legislature provides \$4.25 million in additional funding for Nourish NY for a total of \$54 million.
- The Legislature provides funding to support various public health programs, including:
 - \$7.5 million for the United Way of Greater New York;
 - \$7 million for Long Term Care Providers;
 - \$5 million for maternal health grants;

- **\$5 million for Native American health clinics;**
- **\$5 million for the Hispanic Federation;**
- **\$3.8 million for School Based Health Centers;**
- **\$3 million for the Elizabeth Seton Children’s Rehabilitation Center;**
- **\$1.5 million for Community Health Advocates;**
- **\$1.3 million to restore funding for the Diversity in Medicine Program;**
- **\$1.3 million for the Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Wellness and Equity Fund;**
- **\$1.2 million to restore funding for the Nurse-Family Partnership Program;**
- **\$1.2 million for sickle cell anemia;**
- **\$1.1 million for rural health care access development and rural health network development;**
- **\$1 million to restore funding for Family Planning Services;**
- **\$1 million for the Donate Life Campaign;**
- **\$525,000 for HIV/AIDS Community Service Programs;**
- **\$525,000 for HIV/AIDS Multi Service Agencies;**
- **\$525,000 for the AFYA Foundation;**
- **\$500,000 for Area Health Education Centers;**
- **\$500,000 for New York Common Pantry;**
- **\$475,000 for the LGBT Health and Human Services Network;**
- **\$450,000 for Primary Care Development Corporation;**
- **\$400,000 for New Alternatives for Children;**
- **\$409,000 for Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency;**
- **\$387,500 for the Cystic Fibrosis Program;**
- **\$365,000 for the Alzheimer’s Disease Resource Center;**
- **\$350,000 for Comunilife;**
- **\$300,000 for Thompkins County Rapid Medical Response;**
- **\$250,000 for ALS Association Greater New York;**
- **\$250,000 for the Safe Motherhood Initiative;**
- **\$250,000 for the Community Doula Expansion Grant Program;**
- **\$237,500 for the Brain Injury Association of New York State;**
- **\$209,000 for Crisis Services of Buffalo and Erie County;**
- **\$200,000 for the Council of Senior Centers and Services of New York LiveOn Rise Program;**
- **\$175,000 for the Adelphi University New York Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline;**
- **\$150,000 for Bein Ish Ubein;**
- **\$150,000 for VETSmile Dental Clinic;**
- **\$150,000 for Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial;**
- **\$150,000 for Long Term Care Community Coalition;**
- **\$150,000 for Coalition for the Institutionalized Aged and Disabled;**
- **\$150,000 for Breast Cancer Coalition of Rochester;**

- **\$125,000 for the New York State Dental Association;**
- **\$100,000 for Gay Men’s Health Crisis;**
- **\$100,000 for AIDS Community Resource Health Q Center;**
- **\$100,000 for the Caribbean Women’s Health Association;**
- **\$100,000 for Morris Heights Health Center;**
- **\$100,000 for American Parkinson’s Disease Association New York;**
- **\$100,000 for the Postpartum Resource Center of New York;**
- **\$100,000 for Urban Health Plan;**
- **\$90,000 for International Lymphatic Disease and Lymphedema Patient Registry and Biorepository;**
- **\$87,500 for the New York State Athletic Trainer Association;**
- **\$84,000 for NYS Coalition for the School Based Health Centers;**
- **\$75,000 for the Spina Bifida Association of Northeast NY;**
- **\$50,000 for Academy of Medical and Public Health Services;**
- **\$50,000 for Island Harvest Food Banks;**
- **\$50,000 for Broome County Council of Churches;**
- **\$30,000 for Choice Matters;**
- **\$25,000 for the Medicare Rights Center; and**
- **\$3 million for various additional public health programs.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature provides \$3.2 million to restore the EQUAL program.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend various provisions of the public health law, mental hygiene law, insurance law, state finance law, and social services law to align with historic practices; extend telehealth parity provisions for two additional years; extend the Opioid Stewardship Fund for five additional years; include a one-year extender for the adult cystic fibrosis program; extend closure and transfer notification requirements for Individualized Residential Alternatives for two years, and extend the statutory authority for the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities care demonstration programs for two years.**
- **The Legislature freezes the operating component of skilled nursing facility rates to July, 2023 until a different case mix methodology is developed, as required by CMS; modifies the proposal to reduce the capital cost component payment in skilled nursing home rates by an additional ten percent by exempting pediatric nursing homes; and accept**

the proposal to amend the residency requirement for admission into veterans nursing home criteria from one year to six months.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to codify the special needs assisted living residence voucher demonstration program by eliminating the 200 voucher maximum.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to enable the Commissioner of Health to eliminate over-the-counter drugs covered by Medicaid by requiring additional public comment and patient notification prior to eliminations; maintains prescriber prevails protections under Medicaid for prescription drugs; modifies the proposal to replace the Medicaid Drug Cap with a supplemental rebate program by limiting the drugs eligible to the top 80th percent of spend; and modifies the proposal to amend the payment methodology for physician administered drugs to ensure no physician is reimbursed for less than the State Maximum Acquisition Cost.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal that would expand the Hospital Financial Assistance Law by including clarifications and additional protections around immigration status. In total, this part would: define “underinsured” and require all hospitals to establish financial aid policies for underinsured individuals earning up to 400 percent FPL; establish new income requirements for medical debt repayments including a waiver of all medical debt charges for individuals making below 200 percent FPL; prohibit hospitals from denying the admission of a patient due to their medical debt; ban hospitals from suing to recover medical debt on patients with incomes below 400 percent FPL; and add protections around patients utilizing a credit card to pay for medical treatment.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish a statewide healthcare safety net transformation program to provide grants to safety net hospitals and partner organizations contingent on submitting a transformation plan to increase the facility’s financial sustainability by increasing transparency into the transformation plan, application process, and use of regulatory waivers to assist safety net hospitals attain financial sustainability.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to allow any contracts to be entered, or any contract amendments to occur for the purposes of effectuating the 1115 waiver without a competitive bid or request for proposal by limiting the timeframe to the length of the waiver.
- The Legislature includes language to create a Managed Care Provider Tax fund by authorizing the Commissioner of Health, with approval by the Director of the Budget, to apply for waivers with the federal government to establish the Managed Care Provider Tax; establish the types of plans or products assessments may be conducted on, provide

for the allowable uses of the fund to include capital projects and funding the non-federal share of the Medicaid program, and require quarterly reporting to the legislature on the fund and its receipts and disbursements.

- The Legislature includes language to allow school-based health centers to remain in Medicaid fee-for-service until at least March 31, 2025.
- The Legislature includes language to establish the Community Doula Expansion Program to provide grants to eligible providers for recruiting, training, and supporting community-based doulas and authorizes the Commissioner of Health to issue a non-patient specific statewide standing order for the provision of doula services for up to twelve-months postpartum.
- The Legislature includes language to establish the Reproductive Freedom and Equity Grant program, to ensure access to abortion care in the State by providing funding to abortion providers and non-profit organizations that provide or facilitate access to abortion care and provide confidentiality protections for providers and patients that access the fund.
- The Legislature includes language to provide a Medicaid rate increase to Elizabeth Seton Children's Center for medically fragile children.
- The Legislature includes language to establish an advisory board for the modernization and revitalization of SUNY Downstate to strengthen the institution and promote its long term viability. The board would solicit recommendations from experts in health care, the community, and labor organizations to evaluate: projected financial needs for the hospital and campus; the status of building infrastructure and capital needs; community needs; health disparities; outcomes; training needs for medical students; and employment outcomes.
- The Legislature establishes an expedited procurement process for the DOH to contract with one entity to provide Statewide Fiscal Intermediary (FI) for CDPAP; requires the Statewide FI to have demonstrated cultural and language competencies, experience working with elderly individuals and people with disabilities, and provide Statewide FI services in at least one other state; requires the Statewide FI to subcontract with all Independent Living Centers (ILCs) providing FI services and at least one other FI entity per rate setting region to provide delegated fiscal intermediary services with cultural and linguistic competency specific to the population of consumers and workforce for the region; requires the Statewide FI to reimburse subcontractors at a rate that is reasonably related to the costs of efficient delivery of services; establishes a process for the registration of all subcontractors of FI services within 30 days of being selected as subcontractors; and allows DOH to establish minimum safety, immunization, and training criteria for personal assistants in the CDPAP program.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$57.5 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 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

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of Addiction Services and Supports

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.2 billion, an increase of \$64 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature modifies the Executive 1.5 percent Human Services Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) by adding an additional \$115 million to support a 1.7 percent targeted salary increase to support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies COLA would be \$244.4 million, including \$16.8 million for OASAS.
- The Legislature provides support for the following programs:
 - \$3 million to restore Vocational, Rehabilitation, and Job Placement Services;
 - \$2 million for Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialists (SAPIS);
 - \$1.2 million for various programs treating co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders;
 - \$950,000 for the Family and Children’s Association Recovery Community and Outreach Center;
 - \$250,000 for the Addiction Recovery Supportive Transportation Services Demonstration Program;
 - \$250,000 for Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers of New York State;
 - \$250,000 for the Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan and Ulster Counties;
 - \$250,000 for the Coalition for Behavioral Health (InUnity Alliance Inc.); and
 - \$150,000 for the Samaritan Daytop Village.

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$5.3 billion, an increase of \$49 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature modifies the Executive 1.5 percent Human Services Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) by adding an additional \$115 million to support a 1.7 percent targeted salary increase to support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies COLA would be \$244.4 million, including \$66.3 million for OMH.
- The Legislature provides funding for the following:
 - \$33.1 million for various investments addressing Individuals with Mental Illness and involved in the Criminal Justice System:
 - \$14.6 million for Intensive FACT (Forensic Assertive Community Treatment) Teams;
 - \$8.2 million for Court-Based Mental Health Navigators;
 - \$4.3 million for Transitional Housing for Individuals Referred Through Court System;
 - \$2.8 million for Specialized Housing for People with Serious Mental Illness and Criminal History;
 - \$2 million for mobile shower buses;
 - \$1 million – Law Enforcement and Mental Health Coordination Team; and
 - \$187,000 for Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training for Law Enforcement.
 - \$3.5 million for Crisis Intervention Teams;
 - \$500,000 for P.U.N.T. Pediatric Cancer Collaborative;
 - \$350,000 for the Veteran’s Mental Health Training Initiative;
 - \$300,000 for Crisis Services of Buffalo and Erie County;
 - \$250,000 for EverGreen Meadow;
 - \$200,000 for the University of Rochester Sources of Strength;

- \$200,000 for Westchester Jewish Community Services;
- \$200,000 for the Child Mind Institute;
- \$175,000 for the Family Service League – North Fork Mental Health Initiative;
- \$175,000 for the Family Service League – South Fork Behavioral Health Initiative;
- \$150,000 for The Trevor Project;
- \$150,000 for Unconditional Support Incorporated;
- \$150,000 for the CUNY Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy for the Harlem Strong Model Mental Health program;
- \$125,000 for Syracuse Crunch;
- \$100,000 for Family Service League Additional Funding;
- \$10,000 for the NY Mental Health Association in Orange County Inc; and
- \$1.5 million for various other behavioral and mental health programs and initiatives.

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to make permanent the community mental health workforce and reinvestment program by extending the program for three years, until March 31, 2027.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to make the statutory authority for agencies under the Department of Mental Hygiene to establish time limited demonstration programs permanent by extending for the authority one year, until March 31, 2025.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to make the statutory authority for the Office of Mental Health (OMH) to certify a hospital, local government unit, or voluntary agency to operate a Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Unit (CPEP) permanent by extending the authority for three years, until July 1, 2027.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish a 1.5 percent Human Services COLA for the 2024-2025 Fiscal year, by adding additional funding to require that 1.7 percent of the total funding be used as targeted salary increases for support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff; and require the commissioners of each state agency with oversight of programs receiving the COLA, to develop guidelines for the implementation of the salary increase.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.5 billion, an increase of \$44 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive 1.5 percent Human Services Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) by adding an additional \$115 million to support a 1.7 percent targeted salary increase to support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies COLA would be \$244.4 million, including \$88.8 million for OPWDD.**
- **The Legislature provides support for the following programs:**
 - **\$260,000 for Jawonio, Inc.;**
 - **\$200,000 for Autism Society of the Greater Capital Region;**
 - **\$150,000 for Best Buddies International;**
 - **\$150,000 for Brain Injury Alliance;**
 - **\$150,000 for New York Special Olympics; and**
 - **\$50,000 for Family Residences and Essential Enterprises (F.R.E.E.).**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to make permanent the authority of mental hygiene facility directors to act as federally appointed representative payees for the care and treatment of individuals receiving services by instead extending this authority for three years, until 2027.**

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$63.1 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

- **Not applicable.**

**TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT &
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**

By Agency

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Adirondack Park Agency

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.6 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

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 Department of Agriculture and Markets

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$355.5 million, an increase of \$31 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature makes a technical change to appropriation language to conform with the transfer of the Office of Renewable Energy Siting to the Department of Public Service.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$60.3 million for Aid to Localities programs, an increase of \$11.4 million over the Executive proposal, and \$3.8 million above SFY 2023-24 levels. Legislative increases include:
 - \$2 million for the Cornell University Integrated Pest Management program, which was previously funded through the Environmental Protection Fund;
 - \$1.2 million for the NY Farm Viability Institute, for a total of \$2.2 million;
 - \$758,500 for the New York State Apple Growers Association, for a total of \$1.2 million;
 - \$750,000 for Grow NYC Food Access Sites;
 - \$700,000 for American Farmland Trust, Farmland for a New Generation;
 - \$200,000 for the Northeast Organic Farming Association;
 - \$200,000 for Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship;
 - \$200,000 for Hudson Valley Agribusiness Development Corporation;
 - \$100,000 for Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County;
 - \$150,000 for Cornell Cooperative Extension Bridging the Upstate Downstate Food Network Divide;
 - \$100,000 for Hop Growers of New York;
 - \$100,000 for Cannabis Farmers Alliance;
 - \$99,000 for the Maple Producers Association, for a total of \$251,000;
 - \$60,000 for the Empire Sheep Producers Association;
 - \$50,000 for Local Fairs, for a total of \$550,000; and
 - \$41,500 for New York State Cider Association, for a total of \$117,500.
- The Legislature fully restores the following:
 - \$1 million for Economically and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers;
 - \$1 million for the Beginner Farmers Fund;

- \$481,000 for Cornell University “Core” Diagnostic Lab, for a total of \$8.8 million;
- \$300,000 for Northern New York Agricultural Development;
- \$300,000 for Cornell Hops Breeding Research and Extension;
- \$250,000 for Cornell Pro Dairy, for a total of \$1.5 million;
- \$250,000 for Cornell Pro-Livestock;
- \$150,000 for the New York Wine and Grape Foundation, for a total of \$1.2 million;
- \$110,000 for Agriculture Migrant Child Care, for a total of \$10.4 million;
- \$100,000 for Black Farmers United of New York State, for a total of \$200,000;
- \$100,000 for Cannabis Association of New York;
- \$100,000 for the John May Farm Safety Fund;
- \$75,000 for Cornell Maple Research, for a total of \$151,000;
- \$75,000 for Cornell Vegetable Research, for a total of \$126,000;
- \$75,000 for Volunteers Improving Neighborhood Environment;
- \$50,000 for Cornell Malting Barley Research and Extension, for a total of \$353,000;
- \$50,000 for Cornell Concord Grape Research, for a total of \$252,000;
- \$50,000 for Pitney Meadows Community Farm;
- \$50,000 for Comfort Food Community;
- \$50,000 for CNY Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Alliance;
- \$49,000 for New York Corn and Soybean Growers Association, for a total of \$125,000;
- \$25,000 for Teens for Food Justice Youth Training;
- \$24,000 for New York State Distillers Guild, for a total of \$100,000;
- \$24,000 for New York State Brewers Association, for a total of \$100,000; and
- \$20,000 for Cornell Onion Research, for a total of \$71,000.

Capital Projects

- The Legislature provides \$19.5 million for the expansion of the Cornell Veterinary and Diagnostic Laboratory.

Article VII

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to allow the Department of Agriculture and Markets to set weighmaster license and application fees by regulation instead of at \$15 as is required by current law.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Economic Development

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$105.3 million, \$4.9 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature restores \$1 million in additional support for Local Tourism Matching Grants for total support of \$3.5 million.
- The Legislature provides support for the following programs:
 - \$2 million in additional support to provide \$1 million in total support for each of the 14 Centers of Excellence;
 - \$1.4 million in additional support for the Centers for Advanced Technology, for total support of \$15 million;
 - \$250,000 for an Eastern NY satellite for Cornell's Center of Excellence in Agricultural Innovation; and
 - \$250,000 for a new Center of Excellence in RNA Research and Therapeutics at the University of Rochester and UAlbany.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

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- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to increase the Entrepreneurial Assistance Centers grant cap from \$175,000 to \$250,000.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$25.8 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **Not applicable.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Build Ready Program, by including protections for agricultural land, prioritizing previously developed sites, and including energy storage projects and agrivoltaic projects on previously developed land reclaimed as farmland.**
- **The Legislature requires NYSERDA, in consultation with the Department of Public Service and other State agencies, to conduct a needs assessment related to electric vehicle fast charger deployment.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Environmental Conservation

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.5 billion, an increase of \$284.2 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature provides an increase of \$11 million over the Executive proposal in anticipation of various federal grants.
- The Legislature makes a technical change to appropriation language to conform with the transfer of the Office of Renewable Energy Siting to the Department of Public Service.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides an increase of \$2.4 million for the following programs:
 - \$500,000 for the Great Lakes Commission;
 - \$350,000 for the Jamaica Bay - Rockaway Parks Conservancy;
 - \$300,000 for Save the Great South Bay;
 - \$250,000 for Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper;
 - \$250,000 for Scenic Hudson;
 - \$200,000 for Environmental Leaders of Color;
 - \$140,000 for the Hope Program;
 - \$125,000 for the Long Island City Coalition;
 - \$120,000 for the Adirondack Diversity Initiative;
 - \$55,000 for the Interstate Environmental Commission;
 - \$50,000 for Catskill Center for Conservation and Development; and
 - \$50,000 for Catskill Mountainkeeper.

Capital Projects

Environmental Protection Fund (EPF)

- The Legislature provides \$400 million for the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) and rejects the Executive proposal to divert \$25 million for personal service costs. The Legislature provides the following:

- **\$39.5 million for land acquisition, an increase of \$5 million;**
 - **\$26 million for municipal parks, an increase of \$3.3 million;**
 - **\$22.5 million for the Ocean and Great Lakes Initiative, an increase of \$1.5 million;**
 - **\$22.3 million for the water quality improvement program, an increase of \$1.3 million;**
 - **\$21 million for farmland protection, an increase of \$2.8 million;**
 - **\$20 million for Zoos, Botanical Gardens, and Aquaria, an increase of \$3 million;**
 - **\$19 million for municipal recycling, an increase of \$3 million;**
 - **\$18.6 million for Invasive Species, an increase of \$1.6 million;**
 - **\$14.3 million for waterfront revitalization, an increase of \$1.3 million;**
 - **\$13 million for Environmental Justice, an increase of \$1 million;**
 - **\$11.3 million for Environmental Health, an increase of \$2 million, which includes fully restoring the suballocation for Children’s Health Centers to \$4 million;**
 - **\$7.5 million for the Hudson River Estuary Plan, an increase of \$250,000;**
 - **\$7 million for climate adaptation projects, an increase of \$500,000; and**
 - **\$3.5 million for Finger Lakes - Lake Ontario Watershed (FLOWPA), an increase of \$750,000.**
- **To accommodate these increases, the Legislature rejects the Executive proposal to divert \$25 million for personal service costs and provides:**
 - **\$47 million for Public Access and Stewardship, a reduction of \$25,000 from the Executive proposal, including a shift of \$1.5 million to DEC’s New York Works appropriation for the Town of North Elba’s Adirondack Loj Road resurfacing project;**
 - **\$17.5 million for agricultural non-point source pollution control, a reduction of \$1.5 million from the Executive proposal, which is shifted to the Department of Agriculture and Markets for the Cornell University Integrated Pest Management program;**
 - **\$17.3 million for Soil and Water Conservation Districts, a reduction of \$750,000 from the Executive proposal, for a total year-to-year increase of \$1.3 million; and**
 - **\$3.8 million for smart growth, a reduction of \$200,000 from the Executive proposal.**
 - **The Legislature makes the following suballocations:**
 - **\$10 million for Adirondack and Catskill Park overuse including:**
 - **\$2 million for the Survey of Climate Change and Adirondack Lake Ecosystems (SCALE); and**
 - **\$250,000 for the Adirondack Mountain Club Visitor Centers.**

- **\$1.5 million for Cornell CALS and SUNY ESF Climate and Applied Forestry Institute;**
- **\$1.3 million for the Timbuctoo Climate Science and Careers Summer Institute;**
- **\$750,000 for the Peconic Estuary Partnership;**
- **\$500,000 for the Camp Santanoni Historic Area;**
- **\$250,000 for the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development;**
- **\$180,000 for the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies;**
- **\$100,000 for Paul Smith’s College for the Adirondack Watershed Institute; and**
- **\$100,000 for the Atmospheric Sciences Research Center, Whiteface Mountain Field Station.**

Other Capital

- **The Legislature provides:**
 - **\$500 million for clean water infrastructure, a restoration of \$250 million over the Executive proposal;**
 - **\$10.9 million for the State’s share of the Army Corps of Engineers Mamaroneck Sheldrake Flood Risk Management Project; and**
 - **\$10 million for administrative appropriation authority related to DEC Statewide Financial System onboarding.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to amend the Climate Smart Communities Grant Program to increase the State share of project costs from 50 percent to 80 percent for eligible communities, by defining financial hardship to include communities with a median household income at or below 80 percent of the State median household income.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to restructure and increase clean air permitting fees by ensuring that the biggest emitters pay the highest fees, rejecting fee increases on small emitters, and by ensuring that any new fees required under federal law are only spent to reduce air pollution in communities and improve or enhance air quality.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.8 billion, an increase of \$20 million over the Executive proposal. In addition, the Legislature provides a contingency appropriation of \$873.1 million.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature authorizes, without appropriation, \$16.3 million for service enhancements and discounts to be implemented concurrently with congestion pricing, including:
 - frequency enhancements on seven express bus routes, traveling from the outer boroughs into Manhattan, during peak hours and off-peak hours on routes with high ridership, selected by the MTA;
 - frequency improvements and extended operating hours on 13 local routes spanning all five boroughs. Routes will be selected by the MTA based on factors including: ridership, crowding, equity priority areas, and bus priority lanes; and
 - an additional 10 percent discount on monthly Long Island Rail Road and Metro North Railroad passes for trips within New York City, from the outer borough fund.

Capital Projects

- The Legislature provides \$20 million for the Metro North Railroad for Hudson River Line Resiliency Projects.

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the ability for municipalities to create mass transportation capital districts to facilitate tax increment financing of MTA capital projects for ten years, by providing a one-year extension.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to increase the maximum civil penalty to \$200 for MTA fare evasion offenses and establish procedures for fare violation enforcement within the Transit Adjudication Bureau, for both the subway and bus systems and on the commuter railroads, by limiting the maximum civil penalty to \$150 and prohibiting the use of facial recognition technology for fare evasion enforcement.**
- **The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to establish criminal and civil penalties for any individual who fraudulently applies for or obtains an exemption, credit, or discount from Congestion Pricing Tolls.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York Waterfront Commission

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.9 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

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 that establishes the New York Waterfront Commission in Executive Law and repeals the outdated New York-New Jersey Waterfront Commission in Unconsolidated Law, by making technical changes and improving transparency, including the addition of a reporting requirement.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York State Gaming Commission

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$373.4 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

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend for one year the authorized use of capital acquisition funds by the Capital Off-Track Betting Corporation to allow similar provisions for the Catskill Off-Track Betting Corporation.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend for one year the current pari-mutuel tax rates and out-of-state simulcasting provisions, through June 13, 2025.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the two percent allocation from the purse fund through April 1, 2027, and \$2.0 million out of the Purse Cushion Fund through calendar year 2027. This action would stabilize the owner-paid premiums required for jockey worker compensation coverage paid out of the Jockey Injury Compensation Fund.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the licensing exemption for workers at Saratoga Racetrack to account for the Belmont Stakes taking place at the track in June 2024 and June 2025.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$665 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

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

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend, for two years, the Internet Point Insurance Reduction Program (I-PIRP).**
- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend, for two years, provisions related to certain DMV fees, the deposit of such fees into the Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund, and the payment of DMV costs out of such Fund.**
- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend, for two years, the provision of law authorizing the demonstration and testing of autonomous vehicles on public roads.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal related to toll evasion enforcement by adding standardized toll by mail procedures across the tolling authorities and establishing enforcement mechanisms related to the obstruction of license plates for the purpose of toll evasion.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize lower maximum speed limits within the City of New York by ensuring community board input, expanding the reporting requirement, and requiring an educational campaign.**

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to amend various provisions of law related to stretch limousines safety, by making technical amendments and authorizing certain enforcement mechanisms.**
- **The Legislature includes Article VII legislation to extend, for five years, the law authorizing a school bus photo violation monitoring system and makes technical amendments to ensure these systems can be used for enforcement against the failure of a driver to stop for a school bus displaying a red signal.**
- **The Legislature does not include an Executive proposal to create an online insurance verification system for motor vehicle insurance.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Olympic Regional Development Authority

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$96.6 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive Proposal for a \$70 million Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) appropriation to require that this funding is subject to the approval of a strategic modernization and investment plan by the Director of the Division of Budget.**

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 \$1 billion, an increase of \$22.2 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature makes a technical change to appropriation language to conform with the transfer of the Office of Renewable Energy Siting to the Department of Public Service.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides funds for the following programs:
 - \$2 million for various park initiatives; and
 - \$200,000 for Queens Botanical Garden Society.

Capital Projects

- The Legislature provides \$10 million for Zoos, Botanical Gardens, and Aquaria.
- The Legislature provides \$10 million for the New York Botanical Garden.
- The Legislature includes appropriation language for the New York Statewide Investment in More Swimming (NY SWIMS) initiative to ensure eligibility for projects in natural swim areas, and to ensure that not less than \$60 million of the \$150 million appropriation, is for grants to municipalities for pools in underserved communities.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$197.4 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to provide \$50 million for the Empower Plus Energy Affordability Guarantee and modifies the appropriation language to establish program parameters.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to transfer the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) to DPS and to expand ORES's authority to review major transmission siting by including measures to increase transparency, protect farmland, and enhance municipal and public involvement.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal that would extend the authorization of certain State agencies to receive funding from an assessment on utilities and cable television for five years, by instead extending the authorization for one year.**
- **The Legislature does not include the Affordable Gas Transition Act.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of State

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$798.8 million, which is an increase of \$66.7 million or 9.1 percent over the Executive.

State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$250,000 for an Industrial Development Agencies and Authorities (IDA) database within the Authorities Budget Office.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides:
 - \$30 million for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) Crisis Intervention and Services to Combat Bias Based Crimes;
 - \$20 million for programs that assist non-citizens;
 - \$6.1 million for legislative initiatives;
 - \$5 million for the New York State Community Commission on Reparations Remedies;
 - \$2 million for Public Utility Law Project (PULP);
 - \$2 million for NYS Immigration Coalition;
 - \$342,000 for ACE NY;
 - \$250,000 for H.A.S.T.E. (Help Africa Save Their Children);
 - \$200,000 for the Doe Fund, Inc.;
 - \$200,000 for Caribbean Preparedness and Response;
 - \$150,000 for the Capital District Management Association, Inc.;
 - \$100,000 for the Haitian Round Table; and
 - \$75,000 for the NY Legal Assistance Group, Inc.

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit distribution, assembling, reconditioning, sale, or offering for sale of a lithium-ion battery or a second use lithium-ion battery intended for use in a bicycle with electric assist or micro mobility device.**
- **The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to expand the deceptive acts and practices statute.**
- **The Legislature extends the authorization for public bodies to conduct meetings remotely until July 1, 2026.**
- **The Legislature includes language that requires the State Fire Prevention and Building Code council to conduct a study regarding the use of a single-stairway model in multi-unit residential buildings.**
- **The Legislature includes language to establish a searchable database for certain local authorities, including Industrial Development Agencies, and subject all state and local authorities to certain provisions of the Freedom of Information and Open Meeting Laws.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Taxation and Finance

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$507.1 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

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to make permanent the Department of Taxation and Finance's electronic filing and payment mandates by extending the provision for five years, through December 31, 2029.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Tax Appeals

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Transportation

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$15.3 billion, an increase of \$154.7 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$333.2 million for upstate transit operating assistance, an increase of \$10 million, or 3.1 percent over the Executive proposal. This is a total year-to-year increase of \$26.6 million, or 8.7 percent over the SFY 2023-24 level.
- The Legislature provides \$750,000 for the South Fork Commuter Bus Service, a restoration of \$250,000.
- The Legislature includes \$200,000 for bus service between the City of Hudson and the Village of Chatham, in Columbia County.
- The Legislature includes \$200,000 for fare free bus service in the City of Middletown in Orange County.

Capital Projects

- The Legislature provides \$598.1 million for the Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPs), a restoration of \$60 million.
- The Legislature provides \$140 million for the State Touring Route program, a restoration of \$40 million.
- The Legislature provides \$165.5 million for non-MTA transit capital, an increase of \$26 million over the Executive proposal for the rehabilitation of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA) passenger rail system.
- The Legislature includes \$18 million for the design and construction of a bus terminal at the Rochester Intermodal Station.

- **The Legislature reallocates appropriations for engineering costs to support Department of Transportation (DOT) state workforce engineers.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to add Warren County to the Capital District Transportation Authority (CDTA) service area.**
- **The Legislature includes Article VII legislation to authorize the State to consent to binding arbitration related to certain matters involving the Gateway Development Commission.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Urban Development Corporation

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.3 billion, an increase of \$86.7 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature provides \$5 million in support for participating arts and cultural venues of Alive Downtowns!, including:
 - \$1.2 million for Shea's Performing Arts Center;
 - \$968,000 for the Proctor's Theater;
 - **\$900,000 for the Rochester Broadway Theater League;**
 - **\$300,000 for the Landmark Theater in the City of Syracuse;**
 - **\$300,000 for the Palace Theater in the City of Albany;**
 - **\$300,000 for the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall;**
 - **\$300,000 for the Ulster Performing Arts Center;**
 - **\$191,200 for the Bardavon 1869 Opera House;**
 - **\$120,600 for the Clemens Center in the City of Elmira;**
 - **\$120,600 for the Stanley Theater in the City of Utica;**
 - **\$103,000 for the Smith Center for the Arts in the City of Geneva;**
 - **\$103,000 for the State Theatre of Ithaca; and**
 - **\$95,900 for the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts.**
- The Legislature provides \$365,000 for the Minority and Women-Owned Business Development and Lending Program, to bring total support up to \$1 million.
- The Legislature also provides funding for the following:
 - **\$1.4 million for CenterState CEO Strategic Economic Development;**
 - **\$1 million for the Brooklyn Academy of Music;**
 - **\$1 million for SUNY Stony Brook Medicine's National Cancer Institute;**
 - **\$1 million for various legislative Initiatives;**
 - **\$800,000 for the Brooklyn Alliance;**
 - **\$750,000 for the Rochester Monroe County Anti-Poverty Initiative;**

- **\$700,000 for the Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation;**
- **\$650,000 for the Queens Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$500,000 for the Niagra Military Affairs Council;**
- **\$350,000 for CNY on Camera;**
- **\$300,000 for the Finger Lakes Tourism Alliance;**
- **\$300,000 for the New York Women’s Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$300,000 for the Adirondack Sports Council;**
- **\$225,000 for the North Country Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$150,000 for the Association of Community Employment Programs;**
- **\$150,000 for the Bronx Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$150,000 for the Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$150,000 for Harlem Week;**
- **\$150,000 for the Historic Hudson Hoosick River’s Partnership – Champlain Canal Region Gateway Visitors Center;**
- **\$150,000 for the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$150,000 for the Queens Economic Development Corporation;**
- **\$150,000 for the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$150,000 for Syracuse JazzFest Productions, Inc.;**
- **\$140,000 for the Kingsbridge-Riverdale-Van Cortlandt Development Corporation;**
- **\$125,000 for ArtsNY, Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for the Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA);**
- **\$100,000 for Arts Services Initiative of Western New York, Inc.;**
- **\$100,000 for the Brooklyn Neighborhood Improvement Association;**
- **\$100,000 for the Buffalo Niagara Partnership;**
- **\$100,000 for Downtown Syracuse Foundation, Inc.;**
- **\$75,000 for the People’s Theatre Project;**
- **\$75,000 for the Yonkers Downtown Waterfront Business Improvement Association;**
- **\$65,000 for the Buffalo Heritage Carousel, Inc.;**
- **\$50,000 for the Amherst Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Business Council of Westchester;**
- **\$50,000 for the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Cortland Area Chamber of Commerce; and**
- **\$50,000 for the Dutchess County Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Greene Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Hampton Bays Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Orange County Chamber of Commerce;**
- **\$50,000 for the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation;**
- **\$50,000 for the Suffolk County Alliance of Chambers;**
- **\$50,000 for the Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce.**
- **\$50,000 for the Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce;**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature provides funding for the following:**
 - **\$10 million for redevelopment of the Hunts Point Meat Market;**
 - **\$10 million for the Universal Hip Hop Museum;**
 - **\$10 million for the MiSci Museum of Innovation and Science;**
 - **\$10 million for the NY-FIRST program;**
 - **\$10 million for the American Museum of Natural History;**
 - **\$10 million for the Brooklyn Museum;**
 - **\$6 million for the Kingston Bulkhead Improvements on Rondout Creek; and**
 - **\$3.5 million for the Hispanic Federation.**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the authority of the Urban Development Corporation to administer the Empire State Economic Development Fund, by providing a one-year extension.**
- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the general loan powers of the Urban Development Corporation, by providing a one-year extension.**
- **The Legislature allows Regional Economic Development Council awardees to voluntarily certify to the Empire State Development Corporation if they offer internships.**

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

Commercial Gaming Payment Reduction Offset

Aid to Localities

- **The Legislature provides \$17 million for payments to the local governments related to commercial gaming.**

Green Thumb Program

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Greenway Heritage Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.**

Hudson River Park Trust

- **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 provides an All Funds appropriation of \$54 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

Capital

- The Legislature modifies an appropriation for \$1.5 million for the Canal Corporation for watershed modeling by adding appropriation language to include recommendations from the Upstate New York Flood Mitigation Task Force report, published July 2023.

Public Facilities Sustainability Program

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to appropriate \$50 million for capital projects undertaken for compliance with Executive Order 22, by renaming the program, requiring that a spending plan is provided to the Legislature, and by adding a reporting requirement.

LEGISLATURE & JUDICIARY

By Agency

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Legislature

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$295 million, a \$5.6 million increase over the Executive proposal.

Article VII

- The Legislature extends the authority of various legislative commissions for one additional year.

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Judiciary

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.7 billion, an increase of \$8 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Legislature provides \$8 million for mental health courts.

Aid to Localities

- The Legislature accepts the Judiciary proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- The Legislature accepts the Judiciary proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize a procedure by which a New York State or Federal judge may make a written request to their employer for removal of their or their immediate family's personal information from the public. The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal for an offense of assault on a judge and creates crimes of aggravated assault and aggravated harassment of a judge.

DEBT SERVICE

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Debt Service/Capital Projects

The Legislature accepts the Debt Service appropriation of \$13.5 billion. The Legislature provides All Funds Capital appropriations totaling \$21.7 billion, an increase of \$2.0 billion over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **Not applicable.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **The Legislature includes \$585 million in additional support for the following Housing initiatives:**
 - **\$150 million for the Housing for the Future program;**
 - **\$140 million for NYCHA;**
 - **\$80 million for Mitchell-Lama Preservation;**
 - **\$75 million for Public Housing outside of New York City;**
 - **\$40 million for Vacant Unit Repair outside of New York City;**
 - **\$40 million for Land Banks;**
 - **\$40 million for the Infill Housing Program;**
 - **\$10 million for USDA 515 (Rural Housing);**
 - **\$7 million for the Small Rental Housing Development Initiative; and**
 - **\$3 million for the Access to Home program.**

- **The Legislature includes \$164 million in additional support for the Department of Transportation Capital Plan, including:**
 - **\$60 million for Local Roads and Bridges (CHIPS);**
 - **\$40 million for State Touring Route NY;**
 - **\$26 million for the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority;**
 - **\$20 million for the Metro North Railroad Hudson River Line Resiliency Projects; and**
 - **\$18 million for the Rochester Intermodal Station (Phase 2).**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide additional support for the following initiatives:
 - \$250 million for Clean Water Grants, for a total of \$500 million;
 - \$60 million for SUNY, for a total of \$610 million;
 - \$40 million for CUNY, for a total of \$324 million;
 - \$30 million for Arts and Cultural Capital Grants, for a total of \$80 million; and
 - \$10 million for Library Capital Grants, for a total of \$44 million.

- The Legislature includes appropriations for the following initiatives:
 - \$385 million for CREST;
 - \$150 for SUNY Hospitals;
 - \$100 million for LOCAP;
 - \$40 million for HECAP;
 - \$30 million for 4201 Schools for the Blind and Deaf;
 - \$25 million for Nonpublic Schools Health and Safety;
 - \$19.5 million for the Cornell Diagnostic Lab;
 - \$10.9 million for the Village of Mamaroneck;
 - \$10 million for the MiSci Museum of Innovation and Science;
 - \$10 million for the State Museum;
 - \$10 million for the Museum of Natural History;
 - \$10 million for the Brooklyn Museum;
 - \$10 million for the New York Botanical Gardens;
 - \$10 million for the Hunts Point Meat Market;
 - \$10 million for NY-FIRST;
 - \$10 million for the Bronx Hip Hop Museum;
 - \$10 million for ZBGA Parks Capital;
 - \$6 million for Bulkhead Improvements (Roundout Creek);
 - \$3.5 million for the Hispanic Federation; and
 - \$3.3 million for the EQUAL program.

Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize a change in bond issuance charges to zero percent for bonds issued under \$20 million and 0.35 percent for bonds issued above \$20 million.

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize any balance remaining in the debt service appropriation for Mental Hygiene facilities to make rebates necessary to protect the tax-exempt status of the bonds.

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Comptroller to transfer amounts from the Special Revenue Account or Enterprise Fund to the General Fund in an amount not to exceed the principal and interest due to NYPA by SUNY and CUNY.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to add assets that provide a long-term interest in land, including land conservation easements, to the definition of fixed assets.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to expand the definition of a "mental health services facility" to include comprehensive psychiatric emergency and psychiatric inpatient programs and housing for people who are mentally ill.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the State to redeem revenue bonds not yet redeemable if the redemption price provides a benefit to the State, to specifically require that the redemption price provides a present value savings to the State and to require certification of such redemption to the Legislature within seven days.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the issuance of up to \$4 billion in short-term PIT notes permanently, to instead authorize the issuance of up to \$3 billion in short-term PIT notes for one year.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the amortization of MTA bonds up to 50 years for one year, to instead extend this authorization for three years.
- The Legislature includes language to amend the process by which non-tax debt is calculated and collected by a state agency.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to amend the terms and conditions of the Comptroller's bond approval process.
- The Legislature modifies the following bond caps:
 - Economic Development Initiatives increased from \$17.7 billion to \$20.9 billion;
 - SUNY Education Facilities increased from \$18.1 billion to \$19.0 billion;
 - Transportation Initiatives increased from \$12.3 billion to \$15.2 billion;
 - Housing Programs increased from \$13.6 billion to \$14.5 billion;
 - Local Highway Projects increased from \$13.9 billion to \$14.8 billion;
 - CUNY Education Facilities increased from \$11.3 billion to \$11.8 billion;
 - Environmental Infrastructure increased from \$9.3 billion to \$10.9 billion;
 - Library Facilities increased from \$367.0 million to \$411.0 million; and
 - Special Schools increased from \$321.8 million to \$396.9 million.
- The Legislature includes language to increase the bond cap for Higher Education Capital Matching Grants by \$40 million, for a total of \$425 million.

**Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget
Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY)**

Article VII

- **The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal authorizing DASNY to continue to form and operate subsidiaries for bonding and loan liability purposes for three years, to instead extend the authorization for two years, through July 1, 2026.**

- **The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal authorizing DASNY to provide services to any agency or municipal project that is wholly or in part funded by the NYS Environmental Bond Act of 2022, the Federal American Rescue Plan Act, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the Inflation Reduction Act, the Downtown Revitalization Initiative Program, or the NY Forward Program.**

Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Public Authorities

Article VII

- **The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Battery Park City Authority bond capacity to increase from \$1.5 billion to \$2.5 billion.**