

**OVERVIEW OF ASSEMBLY BUDGET PROPOSAL  
State Fiscal Year 2026-27**

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# **Financial Plan Overview**

## SFY 2026-27 Enacted Financial Plan

<b>Enacted Disbursements - Difference from Executive</b>					
(\$ in Millions)					
	SFY 2025-26 Actuals	SFY 2026-27 Executive	SFY 2026-27 Enacted	\$ Difference	% Difference
General Funds	124,503	127,844	130,478	2,634	2.1%
State Operating Funds	148,810	158,900	161,534	2,634	1.7%
State Funds	163,897	177,153	180,087	2,934	1.7%
All Funds	258,951	262,716	268,100	5,384	2.0%

### 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 \$268.1 billion for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2026-27, which is \$5.4 billion over the Executive Plan. This is largely attributed to commitments to Medicaid, local governments, school aid, higher education, and other programs.

SFY 2026-27 All Fund disbursements are projected to increase by \$9.2 billion over SFY 2025-26 levels, which primarily reflects increases in Local Assistance and Grants, Capital Projects and State Operations, and timing of Federal disbursements. These increases are partially offset by lower spending for debt service payments, which is expected to decline by nearly \$2.1 billion in SFY 2026-27.

Enacted Budget All Funds receipts are estimated to total \$260.9 billion, an increase of \$6.2 billion above the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and a decrease of \$6.1 billion or 2.3 percent below SFY 2025-26 actual levels. The decrease is almost entirely due to an expected \$8.7 billion decline in Federal receipts, partially offset by projected growth of \$4 billion in total 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 \$180.1 billion in SFY 2026-27, representing an increase of \$2.9 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and an increase of \$16.2 billion or 9.9 percent over SFY 2025-26.

The Enacted Budget Financial Plan estimates State Funds receipts in SFY 2026-27 will total \$170 billion, an increase of \$3.7 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and an increase of \$2.5 billion or 1.5 percent over SFY 2025-26.

## **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 \$161.5 billion, an increase of \$2.6 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and an increase of \$12.7 billion or 8.5 percent over SFY 2025-26. Roughly 65 percent of this increase over SFY 2025-26 supports the State's two largest assistance programs - Medicaid and School Aid. Additionally, almost half of the increase in Medicaid spending is related to timing of payments that were shifted into SFY 2026-27 and higher than anticipated disbursements related to the MCO tax.

State Operating Fund receipts are estimated at \$156.4 billion, an increase of \$3.7 billion over the Executive Plan, and a decrease of \$2.1 billion or 1.3 percent from SFY 2025-26.

## **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 2026-27 Enacted Budget Financial Plan projects that General Fund spending will total \$130.5 billion, an increase of \$2.6 billion over the Executive Budget Financial Plan. This is largely attributed to new commitments to Medicaid, local governments, school aid, higher education, and other programs.

The Enacted Budget General Fund spending represents an increase of \$6 billion or 4.8 percent over SFY 2025-26 actual levels. The increase in General Fund spending is attributable to \$3.3 billion in spending included in the proposed Executive Budget and an additional \$2.6 billion in spending agreed upon with the Legislature.

In SFY 2026-27, General Fund receipts are estimated to total \$126.7 billion, for an increase of \$3.8 billion from the Executive Budget Financial Plan, and an increase of nearly \$3 billion or 2.4 percent above SFY 2025-26 levels. This can primarily be attributed to a projected \$4.3 billion increase in tax receipts, partially offset by a decline of \$1.4 billion in miscellaneous receipts.

<b>Financial Plan Summary</b>			
<b>(\$ in Millions)</b>			
	<b>SFY 2025-26</b>	<b>SFY 2026-27</b>	
		<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Executive Proposal</b>
<b>State Operating Funds Disbursements</b>			
Size of Budget	148,810	158,900	161,534
Annual Growth	11.3%	6.78%	8.6%
<b>Other Budget Measure (Annual Growth)</b>			
General Fund (Including Transfers)	124,503	127,844	130,478
Annual Growth	14.6%	2.7%	4.8%
Capital Budget (Federal and State)	17,894	21,832	22,132
Annual Growth	5.4%	22.0%	23.7%
Federal Operating Aid	92,247	81,984	84,434
Annual Growth	1.5%	(11.1%)	(8.5%)
All Governmental Funds	258,951	262,716	268,100
Annual Growth	7.2%	1.5%	3.5%
<b>Inflation (CPI) Growth</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>
<b>All Funds Receipts</b>			
Taxes	127,480	127,643	131,442
Miscellaneous receipts	40,590	39,368	39,287
Federal grants	98,899	87,735	90,185
Total Receipts	266,969	254,746	260,914
<b>General Fund Cash Balance</b>	<b>56,178</b>	<b>47,142</b>	<b>52,447</b>
Tax Stabilization/Rainy Day Reserves	9,756	10,756	10,756
Extraordinary Monetary Settlements	392	25	25
Economic Uncertainties	4,847	3,847	3,847
All Other Reserves/Fund Balances	41,183	32,514	37,819
<b>Debt</b>			
Debt Service (excluding prepayments) as % All Funds Receipts	2.5%	3.0%	3.0%
State Related Debt Outstanding	61,808	72,183	72,183
Debt Outstanding as % Personal Income	3.5%	3.9%	3.9%

## Actions on the Executive Budget

<b>Financial Plan Summary</b>				
<b>SFY 2026-27</b>				
<b>(\$ in Millions)</b>				
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>State Operating Funds</u>	<u>State Funds</u>	<u>All Funds</u>
<b>Executive Opening Balance</b>	<b>52,037</b>	<b>63,086</b>	<b>62,134</b>	<b>70,499</b>
<b>Enacted Opening Balance</b>	<b>56,178</b>	<b>69,014</b>	<b>68,028</b>	<b>75,007</b>
<b>EXECUTIVE RECEIPTS</b>	<b>122,949</b>	<b>152,657</b>	<b>166,250</b>	<b>254,746</b>
<i>Tax Avails</i>	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
<i>Tax Cuts</i>	(1,001)	(1,001)	(1,001)	(1,001)
<i>Misc. Receipts/Fees</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>Sweeps</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>Tax &amp; Misc Rec Reestimates</i>	800	800	800	800
Federal				2,450
<b>Enacted Receipts</b>	<b>126,748</b>	<b>156,456</b>	<b>170,049</b>	<b>260,995</b>
Change in Receipts	3,799	3,799	3,799	6,249
<b>Executive Disbursements</b>	<b>127,844</b>	<b>158,900</b>	<b>177,153</b>	<b>262,716</b>
<i>Spending Addition</i>	2,636	2,636	2,936	5,386
<i>Spending Reduction</i>	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
<b>Enacted Disbursement</b>	<b>130,478</b>	<b>161,534</b>	<b>180,087</b>	<b>268,100</b>
Change in Disbursements	2,634	2,634	2,934	5,384
Enacted Other Financing Changes	0	(1,780)	2,960	(408)
Enacted Change in Fund Balance	(3,730)	(6,858)	(7,078)	(7,513)
<b>Enacted Closing Fund Balance</b>	<b>52,447</b>	<b>62,156</b>	<b>60,950</b>	<b>67,494</b>

## Closing Fund Balances

<b>SFY 2026-27 Estimated General Fund Closing Balance</b>		
<b>(\$ in Millions)</b>		
	<b>Executive</b>	<b>Enacted</b>
Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund	1,618	1,618
Statutory Rainy Day Reserve Fund	9,138	9,138
Contingency Reserve Fund	21	21
Community Projects Fund	25	25
<b>Subtotal Statutory Reserves</b>	<b>10,802</b>	<b>10,802</b>
Reserved for Timing of PIT/PTET Credits	16,140	20,140
Reserved for Debt Management	1,000	1,000
Reserved for Labor Settlements/Agency Operations	2,499	2,499
Settlement Funds	25	25
<b>Subtotal Budgetary Reserves</b>	<b>19,664</b>	<b>23,664</b>
Reserved for Economic Uncertainty	3,847	3,847
Timing of Resources	12,829	14,134
<b>Subtotal Undesignated Reserves</b>	<b>16,676</b>	<b>17,981</b>
<b>Total General Fund Closing Balance</b>	<b>47,142</b>	<b>52,447</b>

The Enacted Budget estimates a closing fund balance of \$52.4 billion at the end of SFY 2026-27, a \$5.3 million increase from the Executive proposal. This is primarily due to an increase of \$4 billion in PTET receipts and \$1.3 billion in timing of resources.

### 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.

## **Budget Balance Legislation**

The Enacted budget includes budget management language within the Preamble of the appropriation bills that would balance the General Fund in the event of a cash shortage.

In the event that estimated General Fund receipts and/or estimated General Fund disbursements vary from the estimates included in SFY 2025-26 Enacted Budget Financial Plan and results in a cumulative budget imbalance of \$2 billion or more:

- The Director of the Division of The Budget is authorized to withhold certain general fund payments necessary to maintain a balanced budget.
- Prior to such withholdings, the Division of The Budget must:
  - Use the \$2 billion Transaction Risk Reserve to address any imbalance;
  - Consider any other means that could be used prior to withholding any payments; and
  - Must notify the Legislature within 10 business days after it is determined that an imbalance has occurred.
- The Legislature will then have 10 business days to prepare its own plan, which must be passed by a concurrent resolution of both Houses. Any plan adopted by the Legislature would need to achieve the same aggregate amount of payment withholds as the Budget Director's plan.
- If the Legislature does not act within 10 business days, the Division of The Budget's plan takes effect automatically.
- Any payment withheld may be fully or partially repaid if there is a subsequent budget surplus in SFY 2026-27.

**Table 1**

<b>CASH FINANCIAL PLAN</b>				
<b>ALL FUNDS</b>				
<b>Actual 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Enacted Plan 2026-27</b>				
<b>(\$ in millions)</b>				
	<u>2025-26 Actual</u> <u>Closeout</u>	<u>2026-27</u> <u>Enacted Plan</u>	<u>Annual \$</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>% Change from</u> <u>25-26 to 26-27</u>
Opening fund balance	73,696	75,007	1,311	1.8%
<b>Receipts:</b>				
Taxes	127,480	131,442	3,962	3.1%
Miscellaneous receipts	40,590	39,287	(1,303)	(3.2%)
Federal grants	98,899	90,185	(8,714)	(8.8%)
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>266,969</b>	<b>260,914</b>	<b>(6,055)</b>	<b>(2.3%)</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>				
Local Assurances and Grants	201,284	208,164	6,880	3.4%
State operations	29,251	31,098	1,848	6.3%
General State charges	12,262	12,913	651	5.3%
Debt service	5,750	3,675	(2,075)	(36.1%)
Capital projects	10,404	12,250	1,846	17.7%
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>258,951</b>	<b>268,100</b>	<b>9,150</b>	<b>3.5%</b>
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Transfers from other funds	65,705	66,314	609	0.9%
Transfers to other funds	(72,412)	(66,994)	5,418	(7.5%)
Bond and note proceeds	0	272	272	0.0%
<b>Net other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(6,707)</b>	<b>(408)</b>	<b>6,299</b>	<b>(93.9%)</b>
Change in fund balance	1,311	(7,594)		
Closing fund balance	75,007	67,413		

**Table 2**

<b>CASH FINANCIAL PLAN</b> <b>STATE FUNDS</b> <b>Actual 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Enacted Plan 2026-27</b> <b>(\$ in millions)</b>				
	<u>2025-26 Actual</u> <u>Closeout</u>	<u>2026-27</u> <u>Enacted Plan</u>	<u>Annual \$</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>% Change from</u> <u>25-26 to 26-27</u>
Opening fund balance	66,245	68,028	1,784	2.7%
<b>Receipts:</b>				
Taxes	127,480	131,442	3,962	3.1%
Miscellaneous receipts	39,958	38,478	(1,480)	(3.7%)
Federal grants	51	48	(3)	(5.0%)
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>167,489</b>	<b>169,968</b>	<b>2,479</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>				
Local Assistance and Grants	111,789	125,800	14,012	12.5%
State operations	26,056	28,022	1,966	7.5%
General State charges	11,835	12,510	675	5.7%
Debt service	5,750	3,675	(2,075)	(36.1%)
Capital projects	8,468	10,080	1,612	19.0%
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>163,897</b>	<b>180,087</b>	<b>16,190</b>	<b>9.9%</b>
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Transfers from other funds	66,256	66,291	35	0.1%
Transfers to other funds	(68,064)	(63,603)	4,461	(6.6%)
Bond and note proceeds	0	272	272	0.0%
<b>Net other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(1,808)</b>	<b>2,960</b>	<b>4,768</b>	<b>(263.8%)</b>
Change in fund balance	1,784	(7,159)		
Closing fund balance	68,028	60,869		

**Table 3**

<b>CASH FINANCIAL PLAN</b>				
<b>STATE OPERATING FUNDS</b>				
<b>Actual 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Enacted Plan 2026-27</b>				
<b>(\$ in millions)</b>				
	<b>2025-26 Actual Closeout</b>	<b>2026-27 Enacted Plan</b>	<b>Annual \$ Change</b>	<b>% Change from 25-26 to 26-27</b>
Opening fund balance	67,322	69,014	1,692	2.5%
<b>Receipts:</b>				
Taxes	126,026	130,008	3,982	3.2%
Miscellaneous receipts	32,419	26,324	(6,095)	(18.8%)
Federal grants	51	43	(8)	(15.4%)
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>158,495</b>	<b>156,375</b>	<b>(2,120)</b>	<b>(1.3%)</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>				
Local Assistance	105,169	117,327	12,158	11.6%
State operations	26,056	28,022	1,966	7.5%
General State charges	11,835	12,510	675	5.7%
Debt service	5,750	3,675	(2,075)	(36.1%)
Capital projects	0	0	0	0.0%
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>148,810</b>	<b>161,534</b>	<b>12,724</b>	<b>8.55%</b>
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Transfers from other funds	60,681	60,874	193	0.3%
Transfers to other funds	(68,674)	(62,654)	6,020	(8.8%)
Bond and note proceeds	0	0	0	0.0%
<b>Net other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(7,993)</b>	<b>(1,780)</b>	<b>6,213</b>	<b>(77.7%)</b>
Change in fund balance	1,692	(6,939)		
Closing fund balance	69,014	62,075		

**Table 4**

<b>CASH FINANCIAL PLAN</b>				
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
<b>Actual 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Enacted Plan 2026-27</b>				
<b>(\$ in millions)</b>				
	<u>2025-26 Actual</u> <u>Closeout</u>	<u>2026-27</u> <u>Enacted Plan</u>	<u>Annual \$</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>% Change</u> <u>from 25-26 to</u> <u>26-27</u>
Opening fund balance	56,916	56,178	(738)	(1.3%)
<b>Receipts:</b>				
Taxes				
Personal Income Tax	32,356	34,969	2,613	8.1%
User taxes and fees	10,604	10,887	283	2.7%
Business taxes	19,952	21,645	1,693	8.5%
Other taxes	1,776	1,506	(270)	(15.2%)
Miscellaneous Receipts	5,147	3,773	(1,374)	(26.7%)
Federal grants	1	0	(1)	(100.0%)
Transfers from other funds	53,929	53,968	39	0.1%
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>123,764</b>	<b>126,748</b>	<b>2,984</b>	<b>2.4%</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>				
Local Assistance	83,005	93,133	10,128	12.2%
State operations	15,504	16,690	1,186	7.6%
General State charges	10,343	11,086	743	7.2%
Transfers to other funds				
- Debt service	266	324	59	22.0%
- Capital projects	5,074	4,644	(430)	(8.5%)
- State Share Medicaid	472	0	(472)	(100.0%)
- SUNY Operations	1,944	1,962	18	0.9%
- Other purposes	7,895	2,639	(5,256)	(66.6%)
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>124,503</b>	<b>130,478</b>	<b>5,976</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
Change in fund balance	(738)	(3,730)		
Closing fund balance	56,178	52,447		

## Revenue Actions

The Enacted Budget includes the following revenue actions:

- **Part A – Enhance and Reform the Child and Dependent Care Credit:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to decouple the State’s Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit from the Federal Credit and replace it with a standalone and simplified credit, by phasing out the credit on a sliding scale for taxpayers earning above \$750,000. The reformed structure would enhance the overall benefit and increase the credit’s progressivity, and limit eligibility to full-year residents, beginning in Tax Year 2026.
- **Part B – Eliminate Income Taxes on Tipped Wages:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to exclude up to \$25,000 of qualified tips from New York adjusted gross income for certain taxpayers with incomes below \$150,000 (\$300,000 for joint filers), beginning in Tax Year 2026. This change aligns New York with recently enacted Federal tax changes included in H.R. 1.
- **Part C – Retain Deductibility of Certain Charitable Contributions:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to ensure contributions made to certain institutions that have lost their Federal tax-exempt status, but maintain New York State tax exemption status, remain tax deductible for New York State purposes.
- **Part D – Standardize the Definition of Farmer for Certain Tax Credits:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to amend the Tax Law to create a uniform definition of “eligible farmer,” for purposes of determining eligibility under the following farm-related tax credits, including: the Agricultural Property Tax Credit; the Farm Workforce Retention Credit; the Farm Employer Overtime Credit; and the Credit for Farm Donations to Food Pantries.
- **Part E – Extend the Temporary Article 9-A Tax Rates for Three Years:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the current 7.25 percent business income tax rate for corporate franchises with a business income base over \$5 million three years, through tax year 2029.
- **Part F – Decouple New York State from Certain H.R. 1 Provisions:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to decouple New York State law from certain recently enacted Federal tax law provisions relating to the tax treatment of research and experimental expenditures and the immediate expensing of certain qualified production property. Additionally, the Legislature includes language to clarify that interest and penalties would not apply for taxpayers that file a valid extension, or have amended returns, for Tax Year

2025 due to the changes to State Tax Law resulting from this proposal. This proposal would retroactively apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and would maintain \$1.7 billion in revenue in SFY 2026-27.

- **Part G – Decouple New York City from Certain H.R. 1 Provisions:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to decouple the New York City Administrative Code from recently enacted Federal tax law provisions relating to the tax treatment of research and experimental expenditures, the immediate expensing of certain qualified production property, certain business interest limitations, and certain equipment expensing limits. Additionally, the Legislature includes language to clarify that interest and penalties would not apply for taxpayers that file a valid extension, or have amended returns, for Tax Year 2025 due to the changes to State Tax Law resulting from this proposal. This proposal would retroactively apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and would maintain the City’s business tax base.
- **Part H – Intentionally Omitted.**
- **Part I – Extend the Commercial Security Tax Credit for Three Years:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Commercial Security Tax Credit for an additional three years, through 2028.
- **Part J – Enhance the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Tax Credit:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to increase the aggregate amount available for the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Tax Credit by \$150 million for productions with initial performances on or after December 1, 2025. This increase is necessary to accommodate new applicants since the current pool of \$400 million is fully committed.
- **Part K – Impose Tax on Alternative Nicotine Products:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to define and include “alternative nicotine product” within the definition of tobacco products, and impose the existing 75 percent wholesale tax on certain tobacco products on such “alternative nicotine products.” These products would include noncombustible products, other than vapor products, which contain nicotine but not tobacco and is intended for human consumption. Additionally, the proposal would direct an additional \$50 million in tobacco products tax revenue to HCRA beginning in SFY 2027-28.
- **Part L – Intentionally Omitted.**

- **Part M – Extend Reduced Transfer Tax Rates for Qualifying Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) for Three Years:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the tax rate reductions for REITs under the New York State and New York City Real Estate Transfer Tax for three years from September 1, 2026 to September 1, 2029. Finally, the proposal would prohibit depreciation tax and interest tax deductions from such homes, if purchased by covered entities.
- **Part N – Modify the Vendor Registration Program:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Tax and Finance to begin a sales tax vendor re-registration program, which would be conducted in phases over four years and be completed by December 31, 2030. Additionally, the proposal would establish a sales and use tax penalty and interest discount program to incentivize sales tax vendors with outstanding debts to pay off their liabilities before the re-registration program begins. The program would grant a full penalty abatement and a 50 percent reduction to accrued interest for sales tax vendors who pay off their liabilities in full by December 31, 2026.
- **Part O – Intentionally Omitted.**
- **Part P – Extend the Sales Tax Vending Machine Exemption for Three Years:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing sales tax exemption for certain food and drink purchased from a vending machine for three years, through May 31, 2029.
- **Part Q – Extend the Residential Energy Storage Exemption for Two Years:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing residential energy storage tax exemption for two years, until June 1, 2028.
- **Part R – Amend the Petroleum Business Tax (PBT) Filing Deadline:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to require certain commercial vessel operators to file PBT returns on an annual basis, instead of monthly under current law.
- **Part S – Extend the Alternative Fuels Exemption for Five Years:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing full exemptions of E-85, compressed natural gas and hydrogen, and the partial exemption of B-20 from motor fuel, petroleum business and State and local sales tax, for an additional five years, until September 1, 2031.

- **Part T – Enacts STAR Program Technical Corrections:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to make various technical and conforming changes to clarify the administration of STAR exemptions and credits.
- **Part U – Extend the Telecommunications Assessment Ceiling Program:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the statewide telecommunications assessment ceiling program for four years and remove an outdated reference to the State Board of Real Property Tax Services.
- **Part V – Expand and Extend the Rent Increase Exemption for Senior Citizens (SCRIE) and People with Disabilities (DRIE):** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) and the Disability Rent Increase Exemption (DRIE) programs for two years, until June 30, 2028 and increase the maximum income eligibility thresholds for each program from \$50,000 to \$75,000. The Legislature includes language that will ensure that tenants will also be provided with notices of potential eligibility for these programs at certain times, such as at the time of lease renewal. The Legislature also includes language to increase the maximum income eligibility thresholds for Senior Citizen Homeowners' Exemption (SCHE) and the Disabled Homeowners' Exemption (DHE) programs from \$50,000 to \$75,000.
- **Part W – Make Technical Amendments to Pari-Mutuel Tax Reform:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to make various technical, conforming, and clean up amendments to the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law following actions taken in the SFY 2025-26 Enacted Budget.
- **Part X – Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain Off-Track Betting Corporation for One Year:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend Capital Off-Track Betting Corporation's authorization to use Capital Acquisition Funds for alternative purposes by one year.
- **Part Y –Extend Certain Pari-Mutuel Tax and Simulcasting Provisions for One Year:** The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend certain current pari-mutuel tax rates and out of state simulcasting provisions, to extend these provisions for one year.
- **Part Z – Extend Certain Seasonal Employee Licensing Requirements:** The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing licensure exemptions for certain

seasonal employees at Saratoga racetrack for additional race days occurring in 2026, by one year, to account for the final running of the Belmont Stakes at Saratoga in 2026.

- **Part AA – Eliminate GILTI Double Taxation:** The Legislature includes language to establish a new subtraction modification under the New York State personal income tax for certain taxpayers receiving distributions of foreign earnings. This would exclude distributions that were previously subject to income tax from New York taxable income, preventing the same income from being taxed twice.
- **Part BB – Enhance the Farm Donation Tax Credit:** The Legislature includes language to enhance the current tax credit for donations to food pantries made by farmers, by increasing the amount of the credit from 25 percent, to 50 percent, of the market value of the food donated. Additionally, this would increase the maximum tax credit allowed from \$5,000 to \$20,000.
- **Part CC – Meal Swipe Plan Donation Sales Tax Exemption:** The Legislature includes language that clarifies the meal swipe plan donation sales tax exemption, which is set to take effect this summer. This exemption will allow certain students to donate unused meal funds, meal points, or meals to other students facing food insecurity, without any imposition of sales tax on the transaction.
- **Part DD – Western Off-Track Betting (OTB) Corporation Board:** The Legislature includes language to: extend the current structure of the Western OTB board for an additional 10 years; disallow board members or officers who leave the corporation from returning to the corporation for a 5-year period; impose a 5-year lobbying ban for former employees of the corporation; and establish a lifetime lobbying on matters the former employee actually worked on while in service of the corporation.
- **Part EE – 100% Property Tax Exemption for Permanently and Totally Disabled Vets:** The Legislature includes language to make various changes to the existing full real property tax exemption for permanently and totally disabled vets, including: authorizing the exemption at local option; simplifying the eligibility criteria; expanding eligibility to include air and national guard service veterans; and requiring the State Department of Veteran Affairs to maintain a public database of localities that have opted-in to the exemption.

- **Part FF – Protecting Our Wallets Energy Rebate (P.O.W.E.R.) Checks:** The Legislature provides a one-time \$1 billion rebate check to assist New Yorkers with the rising cost of utility bills, by providing checks in the following amounts: \$200 for joint filers with incomes below \$150,000; \$150 for joint filers with incomes between \$150,000 and \$300,000; and \$100 for single filers with incomes below \$150,000. The checks would be provided as advanced payment in the Fall of 2026 .
- **Part GG – Standardbred Drug Testing Program:** The Legislature includes language to establish standardbred drug testing for harness racing and authorizes the Gaming Commission to assess additional start fee and industry contributions to fund the program.
- **Part HH – Establish a “Pied-a-Terre” Surcharge for Certain High-Value Secondary Homes in New York City:** The Legislature includes language to authorize a progressive annual surcharge on certain high value non-primary residences in New York City, consisting of a sliding rate, based on the value of the property. The surcharge would generate approximately \$500 million in annual revenue for New York City.
- **Part II – Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) Gaming Facilities:** The Legislature includes language to temporarily reduce the current tax rate on net win for various VLT facilities located across the State for three years. Additionally, certain VLT facilities located near a newly licensed casino that recently began operations would be eligible for an enhanced reduction in their tax rate. The language would require VLTs to maintain certain job levels, include reporting requirements, and require the Gaming Commission to undertake a comprehensive study to analyze future potential changes in commercial casino and VLT facility tax rates.
- **Part JJ – Extend Certain Sites in the Brownfield Tax Credit Program:** The Legislature includes language to authorize a multi-year extension for various Brownfield Tax Credit program sites located throughout the State.
- **ELFA Part O – Preserve and Improve Affordable Housing in New York City (J-51):** The Legislature includes language to re-establish and modify the J-51 program to provide a real property tax abatement for 100 percent of the certified reasonable costs of alteration and improvements made to certain rental and owner-occupied buildings located in New York City, at local option. Alterations and improvements made to eligible buildings completed between June 30, 2026 and June 30, 2036 would be eligible for the abatement for up to 20 years.

- **ELFA Part R – Expansion of 421-a:** The Legislature includes language to extend eligibility under the New York City 421-a exemption for a project located in Brooklyn. This project is an affordable housing and climate infrastructure project which would add 1,050 housing units (25% affordable), public waterfront access, onsite wastewater treatment, and a microgrid energy system for resiliency.

#### **Executive Revenue Proposals that are not Included**

- **Part H – Enact Pass-Through Entity Tax Flexibility:** The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to extend the deadline for entities to elect in the Pass-Through-Entity-Tax (PTET) from March 15<sup>th</sup> to September 15<sup>th</sup> of the applicable tax year, and make conforming changes to estimated payment deadlines.
- **Part L – Amend Vapor Products Taxation and Enhance Flavor Ban Enforcement:** The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to impose a tax of \$0.55 per unit of vapor imported to or manufactured in the State by a vapor products distributor, in addition to the existing 20 percent tax imposed on the retail sale of vapor products and to authorize the Department of Tax and Finance to create a registry of vapor products that may be sold in the State, and require vapor product manufacturers to apply annually to have their products listed. The proposal also would have expanded civil and criminal penalties for vapor product tax violations.
- **Part O – Establish a Sales Tax Exemption for Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations:** The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to exempt from sales tax the retail sale of electricity sold to end users from commercial EV charging stations, and clarify that the wholesale purchase of electricity by an operator of a commercial EV charging station will be subject to sales tax.

<b>Fiscal Impact - Enacted Revenue Proposals</b>						
<i>(\$ in millions)</i>						
<b>Part</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY2029</b>	<b>FY2030</b>	<b>FY2031</b>
A	Enhance and Reform Child and Dependent Care Credit	-	(65)	(65)	(65)	(65)
B	Eliminate Income Taxes on Tipped Wages	(52)	(69)	(60)	(19)	-
C	Retain Deductibility of Certain Charitable Contributions	-	-	-	-	-
D	Standardize the Definition of Farmer for Certain Tax Credits	-	-	-	-	-
E	Extend the Temporary Article 9-A Tax Rates for Three Years	-	1,320	1,900	1,450	700
F	Decouple from Certain H.R.1 Provisions	1,680	770	670	290	150
G	Decouple NYC from Certain H.R.1 Provisions	-	-	-	-	-
I	Extend the Commercial Security Tax Credit for Three Years	-	(5)	(5)	(5)	-
J	Enhance the NYC Musical and Theatrical Production Tax Credit	-	-	(100)	(50)	-
K	Impose Tax on Alternative Nicotine Products	18	44	51	57	60
M	Extend Reduced Transfer Tax Rates for Qualifying REITs for Three Years	-	-	-	-	-
N	Modify the Vendor Registration Program	6	6	6	-	-
P	Extend the Sales and Use Tax Vending Machine Exemption for Three Years	(8)	(10)	(10)	(2)	-
Q	Extend the Residential Energy Storage Exemption for Two Years	-	-	-	-	-
R	Amend the PBT Tax Filing Deadline for Commercial Vessel Operators	-	-	-	-	-
S	Extend the Alternative Fuels Exemption for Five Years	-	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
T	Enact STAR Program Technical Corrections	-	-	-	-	-
U	Extend the Telecom Assessment Ceiling Program for Four Years	-	-	-	-	-
V	Extend and Expanding the SCRE and DRE Programs	-	-	-	-	-
W	Make Technical Amendments to the Pari-Mutuel Tax Reform	-	-	-	-	-
X	Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain Off-Track Betting Corporation for One Year	-	-	-	-	-
Y	Extend Certain Pari-Mutuel Tax and Simulcasting Provisions for One Year	-	-	-	-	-
Z	Extend Certain Horse Racing Seasonal Employee Licensing Requirements	-	-	-	-	-
AA	Eliminate GILTI Double Taxation	-	-	-	-	-
BB	Enhance Farm Donation Tax Credit	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
CC	Meal Swipe Plan Donation Sales Tax Exemption	-	-	-	-	-
DD	Western OTB Board	-	-	-	-	-
EE	100% RPT Exemption for Permanently and Totally Disabled Veterans	-	-	-	-	-
FF	Protecting Our Wallets Energy Rebate (POWER) Checks	(1,000)	-	-	-	-
GG	Standardbred Drug Testing	-	-	-	-	-
HH	New York City Pied-a-Terre Surcharge	-	-	-	-	-
II	Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) Gaming Facilities	(81)	(81)	(81)	(40)	-
JJ	Extend Certain Sites in the Brownfield Tax Credit Program	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Fiscal Impact</b>		<b>562</b>	<b>1,906</b>	<b>2,302</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>841</b>
<b>Total Fiscal Impact (Excluding One Time Proposals)</b>		<b>1,562</b>	<b>1,906</b>	<b>2,302</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>841</b>

# **Public Protection & General Government**

## **By Agency**

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC)**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$143.7 million, an increase of \$11.7 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides the following new adds:
  - \$10 million, as well as expanded appropriation language, for costs associated with the seed-to-sale track and trace system; and
  - \$1.7 million for 10 additional FTEs to support enforcement efforts within the Office of Cannabis Management.

### **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 includes the Executive proposal to extend the authority of the State Liquor Authority to issue Temporary Retail permits for one year to October 12, 2027.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to enact multiple reforms to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law relating to the manufacture, wholesale and retail of alcoholic beverages.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the State Liquor Authority to create several new license types in Alcoholic Beverage Control Law including a license for adult care facilities, airline lounges, cafes, and higher education institutions.

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to establish a new on-premises retail license to allow dining and dancing in certain establishments.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$643.4 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 Budget (DOB)**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$51.2 million, an increase of \$750,000 over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides \$750,000 for legislative membership dues.

### **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 \$145.3 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 \$4.2 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 State Commission of Correction**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.2 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 \$1 billion, an increase of \$48.6 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$14 million for law enforcement and correctional activities performed by or in coordination with county sheriffs.
- The Legislature restores \$5 million in funding for anti-gun violence grants.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$4.2 million for Prisoner's Legal Services, for total funding of \$7.4 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 \$3 million to provide grants to district attorney offices, to support enforcement, community outreach, and education activities related to preventing and combating deed theft, as well as support for the Attorney General's office for enforcement.
- The Legislature provides \$2.1 million for the New York State Defenders Association (NYSDA), for a total of \$3.1 million.
- The Legislature provides \$2 million for the Correctional Association of New York (CANY).

- 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 Brooklyn Legal Services, Inc. (Legal Services for New York City – Brooklyn);
  - \$46,000 for Center for Safety & Change, Inc. (Domestic Violence Law Project of Rockland County);
  - \$46,000 for Hope’s Door;
  - \$46,000 for Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York;
  - \$46,000 for My Sisters’ Place;
  - \$46,000 for Neighborhood Legal Services Inc. of Erie County;
  - \$46,000 for Queens Legal Services Corporations (Legal Services for New York City – Queens); 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 also provides General Fund support for the following programs:
  - \$3.5 million for legal services in upstate New York;
  - \$3 million for community safety and restorative justice programs;
  - \$3 million for Westchester County Policing Program;
  - \$1.5 million for gun violence prevention/reduction programs;
  - \$600,000 for Community Service Society of New York (Next-Door Project);
  - \$400,000 for Neighborhood Legal Services of Buffalo;
  - \$390,000 for Mobilization for Justice;
  - \$375,000 for New York County Defender Services;
  - \$350,000 for BARD College Prison Initiative;
  - \$350,000 for the John Jay College - Prison to College Pipeline Initiative;
  - \$300,000 for Brooklyn Legal Services;
  - \$300,000 for LSNY – Bronx Corporation;
  - \$300,000 for Queens Borough Safety Patrol;
  - \$275,000 for Fortune Society;
  - \$275,000 for the NYS Judicial Institute Legal Education Opportunity Program;
  - \$250,000 for Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation A;

- \$250,000 for Child Center of New York;
- \$250,000 for Kingsbridge Heights Community Center;
- \$250,000 for Moshoula Montefiore Community Center;
- \$250,000 for The Bronx Defenders;
- \$250,000 for United Jewish Organizations of Williamsburg;
- \$230,000 for Osborne Association;
- \$225,000 for Center for Family Representation;
- \$200,000 for Bergen Basin Community Development Corporation;
- \$200,000 for Common Justice;
- \$200,000 for the Greenburger Center for Social and Criminal Justice;
- \$200,000 for International Muslim Women's Initiative for Self-Empowerment (Malikah, Inc.);
- \$200,000 for Kings Bay YM YWHA (Heal the Violence Initiative);
- \$200,000 for Pace University (Pace Women's Justice Center – PWJC);
- \$200,000 for Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities (TASC) of the Capital District;
- \$175,000 for Brooklyn Defender Services;
- \$160,000 for Capital District Women's Bar Association;
- \$150,000 for Center for Employment Opportunities;
- \$150,000 for Central Family Life Center;
- \$150,000 for Kings Against Violence Initiative (KAVI);
- \$150,000 for Shalom Task Force;
- \$150,000 for Youth Justice Network;
- \$135,000 for Housing Court Answers;
- \$125,000 for Getting Out and Staying Out;
- \$125,000 for Goddard Riverside Community Center;
- \$125,000 for Legal Services NYC (Staten Island);
- \$120,000 for Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (Domestic Violence Project)
- \$100,000 for Bailey House Project FIRST;
- \$100,000 for Bronx Legal Services;
- \$100,000 for Brownsville Think Tank Matter;
- \$100,000 for Center for Justice Innovation, Inc. (Redhook Community Justice Center);
- \$100,000 for City of Yonkers (Police Department - Safe Summer Initiative);
- \$100,000 for Cornell University (Criminal Justice Employment Initiative);
- \$100,000 for Economic Opportunity Council of Suffolk (S.N.U.G. Wyandanch);
- \$100,000 for Emerald Isle Immigration Center;
- \$100,000 for Families and Friends of the Wrongfully Convicted;
- \$100,000 for Hamilton-Herkimer College (College in Prison Program);
- \$100,000 for Justice Innovation (Center for Court Innovation Youth SOS - Crown Heights);
- \$100,000 for New York Wing Civil Air Patrol;
- \$100,000 for Opportunities for A Better Tomorrow;
- \$100,000 for Richmond County District Attorney's Office;

- \$75,000 for Groundswell Community Mural Project;
- \$75,000 for Elmcour Youth and Adult Activities;
- \$75,000 for Legal Action Center of the City of New York;
- \$64,000 for Hope’s Door;
- \$64,000 for MY Sister’s Place;
- \$50,000 for Neighborhood Defender Service;
- \$50,000 for Cityline Ozone Park Civilian Patrol;
- \$50,000 for NYU Veteran's Entrepreneurship Program;
- \$25,000 for Glendale Civilian Observation Patrol;
- \$20,000 for Harlem Police Athletic League;
- \$20,000 for New Hour for Women and Children LI;
- \$10,000 for Suffolk County Police Asian Jade Society.

### **Capital Projects**

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

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to strengthen safeguards against unlawful immigration enforcement tactics.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to expand criminal penalties for ghost guns and to prohibit the sale of convertible pistols and digital firearm manufacturing codes, as well as authorize a working group to convene to determine the technological feasibility of blocking technology for 3-D printers and prohibit the sale of 3-D printers without such printer has blocking technology.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to establish a new crime of unlawful use of a drone, a class A misdemeanor, and authorize certain officers who have had specialized training to take mitigating measures against a drone that poses a credible threat. A New York State “Blue List,” will be created that includes a vetted list of approved vendors that comply with applicable federal requirements, helping ensure the state utilizes secure and trusted drone technology.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to expand the definition of fraudulent insurance act to include staged motor vehicle accidents.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require temporary orders of protection to be extended when a defendant subsequently appears in court, with notice

to the defendant, unless the case is dismissed or in the interest of justice and the defendant acknowledges vacatur of the order.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to prevent individuals from engaging in a course of conduct that would cause religious adherents from being in fear for their safety and prevent obstruction of the entryway or exit of a place of religious worship.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to amend the crime of harassment of a rent regulated tenant in the first degree and to establish a new crime of aggravated harassment of a rent regulated tenant, a class D felony.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to make changes to the Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Board, including, adding new members, removing certain members voting authority, removing meeting rules and allow meetings at the call of the chairperson, shifting operational authority, and making conforming changes to the State Finance Laws.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to enhance transportation worker protections.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$145.2 million, an increase of \$3 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$3 million for local Boards of Elections for operating costs associated with elections to be held in 2026.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal that would establish felony and misdemeanor penalties for voter intimidation, deception, or obstruction.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal that would require political communication using materially deceptive media to include provenance data and prohibit the distribution of such media within 90 days of an election.

## **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 \$27.5 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 Financial Services**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$589.1 million, a decrease of \$10.8 million from the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature does not include \$10.8 million to regulate data brokers.

### **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 modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Physician's Excess Medical Malpractice Program for one year.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to expand insurance coverage of substance use disorder to include coverage of other addictions, such as gambling, by changing all references to "substance use disorder" to "substance-related and addictive disorder" in statute.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to eliminate the Independent Dispute Resolution process for the Medicaid program, add the Empire Plan to the Emergency Medical Services and Surprise Billing Law, and amend the criteria used by the Independent Dispute Resolution Entity for what is considered a reasonable fee for only individual providers bringing cases against the Empire Plan.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require that property and casualty insurers provide a written explanation of a premium increase automatically when the

total policy premium increase is in excess of 10 percent or at the request of the insured and require that insurers provide an explanation of a premium decrease when that decrease is due to reforms enacted in this year's budget.

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to require insurers that provide policies for loss of or damage to multi-family residential properties to file an annual report with the Department of Financial Services that includes information on such policies.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require the Department of Financial Services to include additional information for consumers about the amount and outcomes of pre-authorization for each insurer, increase the transitional period for new enrollees of a health plan from 60 days to 90 days or for the duration of a pregnancy and postpartum care, require plans to publish their formulary drug list, and limit utilization review to once per year for outpatient treatment of a chronic health condition.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require that motor vehicle insurers provide a credit to their policyholders for a share of excess profits, require reporting on such excess profits and the impacts of the reforms included in this year's budget.
- The Legislature includes language to repeal, six months after the budget is enacted, the statute allowing private passenger motor vehicle insurers to increase their rates by up to five percent every year without prior approval and repeal the statute allowing for a decrease in rates four years after the budget is enacted.
- The Legislature includes language to prohibit insurers from using employment, education, homeownership, and zip code as factors to determine rates for private passenger motor vehicle insurance policies.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the Health Insurance Continuation Assistance Demonstration Project for one year.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to require certain homeowners' insurance companies to refile their homeowners' insurance rates with the Department of Financial Services (DFS) if they had an actual loss ratio below a benchmark loss ratio specified by DFS in regulation.

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to require homeowners' insurance and commercial property insurance companies to provide discounts for certain risk mitigation measures and report on such discounts annually to the Department of Financial Services.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to extend the amount of time an insurer shall report suspected fraudulent claims to the Department of Financial Services and allow an insurer to issue a denial or assert a defense after the 30-day payment requirement has elapsed.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to require insurers to provide discounts on motor vehicle insurance premiums for motor vehicles equipped with a dashboard camera.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal language that would modify private student loan protections for borrowers and cosigners.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.7 billion.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

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

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to increase various state procurement and discretionary buying thresholds to \$150,000.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend provisions of the Stewardship Act for five years.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the New York State Community Commission on Reparations Remedies' reporting deadline from 30 months to 54 months and clarifies legal protections and indemnification for commission members and staff.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.3 billion, an increase of \$72.9 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$50 million for emergency services and response, including supplies, equipment, vehicles, and other items deemed essential to effective emergency preparedness and response activities.
- The Legislature provides \$1,500,000 for the American Red Cross.
- The Legislature provides \$750,000 for the New York State Professional Fire Fighters Association (NYSPFFA).
- The Legislature provides \$200,000 for the Firemen’s Association of the State of New York (FASNY).
- The Legislature provides \$200,000 for the City of Tonawanda Fire Department.
- The Legislature provides \$150,000 for the Oceanic Hook & Ladder Company.
- The Legislature provides \$50,000 for the Maplewood Fire Department.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$20 million for the Volunteer Fire Infrastructure & Response Equipment (V-FIRE) grant program.

## Article VII

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the suspension of annual deposits into the State Emergency Revolving Loan Fund from the public safety communications surcharge for a two-year period.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the Governor to enter into additional interstate and international emergency management assistance compacts, that would permit New York to participate in the Northern Emergency Management Assistance Compact and an international compact with New England states and Eastern Canadian provinces, with legislative ratification deemed upon gubernatorial certification.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$495.8 million, an increase of \$5 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 \$5 million for family court representation, for a total of \$30 million.

### **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 \$12 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 Lawyer Account**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$105.9 million.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides an additional \$25 million for civil legal services, for a total of \$102.5 million.

### **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 \$9.3 million.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- Not applicable.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Law**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$418.6 million, an increase of \$4.5 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides \$4.5 million to establish the Office of Immigrant Trust.

### **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 Division of Military and Naval Affairs**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$306.6 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**

- 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 \$20 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 provides \$50,000 for the SUNY Buffalo Family Violence and Women's Rights Clinic.

### **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 \$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**

- Not applicable.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Public Employment Relations Board**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.7 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 (COELIG)**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.2 million, an increase of \$250,000 over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides an additional \$250,000 in funding for increased operating expenses.

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to increase lobbyist registration fees from \$200 biennially to \$250 annually beginning April 1, 2026, and authorize late filing penalties for overdue registration statements.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to require lobbyists and clients to complete ethics training every two years beginning in the 2027–2028 biennial period and authorize late fees of up to \$25 per day for noncompliance.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal that would extend the sunset of the procurement lobbying provisions to July 31st, 2031
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to update financial disclosure forms.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of State Police**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.4 billion, an increase of \$54 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$54 million to support facility upgrades at forensic labs throughout the state.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to require the Commissioner of State Police to establish a paid critical incident leave policy providing at least 20 days of leave for primary members involved in fatal incidents and 10 days for other directly involved members following certain critical incidents.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Statewide Financial System**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$39.8 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 Office of Information Technology Services**

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 Office of Victim Services**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$352.8 million.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature modifies appropriation language for victim and witness assistance programs that receive Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) funding to ensure culturally specific organizations are included.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- Not applicable.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Workers' Compensation Board**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$269 million, a \$10 million decrease from the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$7 million to establish and staff workers' compensation fraud units within district attorneys' offices, a \$10 million decrease from the Executive proposal.

### **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 increase assessments on employer insurance premiums to fund the establishment of workers' compensation fraud units within county district attorney's offices. Modifications would cap assessment increases at 0.4 percent of the total estimated statewide premium and require the Board to report to the Governor and Legislature information on funds disbursed and convictions made by new fraud units.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize any medical provider, not placed on an exclusion list, to provide medical care and treatment for workers' compensation claimants. Modifications would require trainings for providers, protect claimants from compliance failure by providers, and require the Board to report to the Governor and Legislature on providers' compliance with this language.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget General State Charges**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$10 billion, an increase of \$275.2 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides \$146.3 million for costs associated with Tier 6 pension enhancements, eliminating the death gamble for correctional officers, and eliminating additional contribution rates for law enforcement enrolled in the special twenty-year retirement plan offered under section 383-e retirement plan of Retirement and Social Security Law.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$109 million for state reimbursement to New York City for special accidental death benefits to beneficiaries of first responders, for a total of \$141 million.
- The Legislature provides \$14.1 million related to not including the Executive proposal to cease reimbursement of Medicare Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA) to high income retirees.
- The Legislature provides \$3 million for an agreement between the Department of Civil Service and MedAmerica Insurance Company of New York, for long-term care insurance administrative services for the public employee and retiree long term care insurance plan.
- The Legislature provides \$2.5 million related to not including the Executive's proposed appropriation language that would require the rate of interest paid upon any judgment or accrued claim to be calculated based on the market rate.
- The Legislature restores \$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 language to cease reimbursement of Medicare Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA) to high income retirees.
- The Legislature includes language to enhance Tier 6 retirement benefits by reducing the retirement age for teachers to 58 years old with 30 years of service, and reducing contribution rates and improving overtime calculations for most other Tier 6 members.
- The Legislature includes language to eliminate the death gamble for state correctional officers.
- The Legislature includes language to eliminate additional contributions for officers in Department of Environmental Conservation, state park police, and university police officers enrolled in the 383-e retirement plan.
- The Legislature includes language to require the state and city comptrollers, as well as the president of the board of the New York State teachers' Retirement system to provide reports on the health of their respective retirement funds within one year.
- The Legislature includes language to authorize members of the New York City Police Pension Fund to obtain credit for service immediately preceding their service in the uniformed force, including credit earned as a school safety agent, correction officer, traffic enforcement agent or police cadet.
- The Legislature includes language to create a twenty-year plan for New York City correction and sanitation employees.
- The Legislature includes language to create longevity bonuses for members of the New York City Fire Department with twenty-five years of service.
- The Legislature includes language to provide members of the New York City Fire Department with full escalation at twenty-three years of service, rather than twenty-five.
- The Legislature includes language to authorize New York City to smooth pension payments by adding an additional five years to the amortization schedule.

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

### **Local Government Assistance**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.8 billion, an increase of \$313.8 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides the following assistance to fiscally distressed cities, totaling \$135 million:
  - \$40 million for the city of Yonkers;
  - \$25 million for the city of Buffalo;
  - \$20 million for the city of Albany;
  - \$20 million for the city of Rochester;
  - \$20 million for the city of Syracuse; and
  - \$10 million for the city of Mount Vernon.
  
- Additionally, the Legislature includes the following adds and restorations:
  - \$150 million for the reversal of sales tax intercepted from New York City;
  - \$45 million related to historical public health funding for New York City; a total of \$2.2 for the City of Auburn;
  - \$1.2 million for Onondaga County and the Syracuse City School District;
  - \$300,000 for the Village of New Paltz; and
  - \$115,000 to the County of Broome for the Forum theater.
  
- The Legislature does not include \$20 million in additional funding for the Financial Restructuring Board, which was included in the Executive proposal.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

## Article VII

- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to increase the total number of land banks authorized from 35 to 45.
- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to provide authorization for the Town of Islip to utilize a private design-build construction model for the Long Island MacArthur Airport terminal and rail integration project.
- The Legislature includes a three-year extension of the state-appointed monitor of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency (OCIDA) and expands the monitor's powers to include oversight of the Orange County Funding Corporation.
- The Legislature includes a five-year financing authorization for police emergency response vehicles.
- The Legislature includes a 180-day certification period for certain charter revision commissions formed after a mayoral election but before the beginning of the new mayoral term.
- The Legislature extends the expiration date for Open Meetings Law videoconferencing and remote participation provisions from July 1, 2026, to July 15, 2028.

# **Education, Labor & Family Assistance**

## **By Agency**

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Veterans' Services**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$35.4 million, an increase of \$3.6 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$3.6 million in restorations and additions for the following programs:
  - \$500,000 for African American Veterans Monument Committee of WNY;
  - \$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;
  - \$275,000 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 Outdoor RX;
  - \$125,000 for the Department of New York Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Inc.;
  - \$125,000 for Touro University Law Center Veterans' and Servicemembers' Rights Clinic;
  - \$120,000 for Legal Services of Long Island Veterans Rights Project;
  - \$100,000 for American Legion Boys State;
  - \$100,000 for American Legion Girls State;
  - \$100,000 for Enlisted for Life;
  - \$100,000 for Utica Center for Development; and
  - \$100,000 for Veterans Outreach Center.

### **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 \$92.0 million, an increase of \$20.5 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature restores:
  - \$20 million in additional local grantmaking support; and
  - \$500,000 for stabilization grants to small and mid-sized arts organizations.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to eliminate the music instrument revolving fund and establish the music grant fund, by including entities whose purposes include musical education in schools.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.7 billion, an increase of \$335.6 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides an additional \$36.5 million in general operating support for the 2026-27 Academic Year (AY), to help cover costs for CUNY Collective Bargaining agreements.
- The Legislature restores \$2.3 million and provides \$590,000 increase for Search for Education, Elevation and Knowledge (SEEK) program, for a total of \$39.9 million.
- The Legislature restores \$350,000 and provides an additional \$825,000 for the Asian American Research Institute, for a total of \$1.2 million.
- The Legislature provides:
  - \$1 million for Medgar Evers College Biomedical AI Research and Education Initiative;
  - \$835,000 for the Medgar Evers College Jumpstart Summer Academy;
  - \$250,000 for CUNY Law School CLEAR Clinic; and
  - \$50,000 for City College Evelyn Linares Legacy Scholarship.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$3 million (AY) to expand the Opportunity Promise Scholarship for students pursuing associate degrees in CUNY Senior colleges.
- The Legislature restores the following:
  - \$4 million for the CUNY Medical School;
  - \$2.5 million for the School of Labor and Urban Studies, for a total of \$8.2 million;
  - \$1.2 million for the Black Male Initiative;
  - \$1 million for Mental Health Services, for a total of \$3 million;
  - \$1 million for Expansion of Nursing Programs, for a total of \$2 million;
  - \$500,000 for CUNY-sponsored midwifery program;
  - \$500,000 for the CUNY Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy - Sexual and Reproductive Justice Hub;
  - \$350,000 for the W. Haywood Burns Chair in Human and Civil Rights;

- \$300,000 for the Center for Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies at Queens College;
- \$250,000 for Medgar Evers College John L. Flateau Chair in Election Data Analysis and Research; and
- \$150,000 for model New York State Senate session project.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$8 million in additional base aid to CUNY Community Colleges for the 2026-27 Academic Year (AY), for a total of \$236.7 million.
- The Legislature restores \$108,000 and provides a \$28,000 increase for College Discovery, for a total of \$1.9 million.

### **Capital Projects**

The Legislature provides an additional \$227 million for CUNY Capital, which includes:

- \$200 million for CUNY Critical Maintenance, for a total of \$514.2 million; and
- \$27.1 million for CUNY Community Colleges, for a total of \$86.4 million.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to expand the New York Opportunity Promise Scholarship eligibility to nursing students with postsecondary degrees, to additionally expand such scholarship to include associate degrees at four-year public colleges.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the authorization for CUNY to set differential non-resident undergraduate and graduate tuition rates at state-operated institutions and senior colleges for three years.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$50.4 billion, an increase of \$529.8 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides:
  - \$1.5 million for staff to support the needs of students with dyslexia and dysgraphia, an increase of \$1.25 million over FY 2025-26; and
  - \$150,000 in restored funding for the Rochester Fiscal Consultant.

### **Aid to Localities**

#### ***Office of Prekindergarten through Grade 12 Education***

#### **Formula Based Aid**

- The Legislature provides total State funding for school aid of \$39 billion, an increase of \$494.2 million over the Executive proposal and \$1.7 billion over State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025-26.
- For Foundation Aid, the Legislature provides a \$249 million increase over the Executive proposed formula, which is a \$1 billion increase over the 2025-26 School Year (SY), for a total of \$27.4 billion. This would provide for the following changes to Foundation Aid:
  - Including a new weight to capture students in foster care or experiencing housing instability to the Pupil Needs Index at a weight of 0.12 (based on a three-year average);
  - Increasing the English Language Learner Factor of the Pupil Needs Index from 0.53 to 0.6; and
  - Providing a 2 percent minimum year-over-year increase to Foundation Aid.
- The Legislature restores \$21.4 million in funding for Teacher Resource and Computer Training Centers for School Year 2026-27.

- The Legislature restores \$1.5 million for the Consortium for Worker Education (CWE), for a total of \$13 million.
- The Legislature restores and adds funding for the following state-appointed monitors:
  - \$225,000 for the East Ramapo Central School District Monitor;
  - \$225,000 for the Wyandanch Union Free 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 Mount Vernon City School District Monitor.
- The Legislature also provides the following adds and restorations:
  - \$26 million for the Yonkers City School District;
  - \$1.7 million for the Mind Builders Creative Arts Center;
  - \$1.5 million for Teach NY;
  - \$1.1 million for Implicit Bias Training;
  - \$1.2 million for Buffalo City School District Health Services;
  - \$1.2 million for Rochester City School District Health Services;
  - \$1 million for the Executive Leadership Institute;
  - \$1 million for the Universal Hip Hop Museum;
  - \$750,000 for Long Island Pre-K Tech Assistance;
  - \$650,000 for NYC Kids RISE;
  - \$650,000 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.;
  - \$500,000 for Education Through Music, Inc.;
  - \$461,000 for Bard Early College High School-Queens;
  - \$400,000 for the Biobus;
  - \$385,000 for Bilingual or Multilingual Training Programs for Teachers;
  - \$300,000 for the Fund for the City of New York-Promise Project;
  - \$250,000 for the CWE Credentialling;
  - \$250,000 for the Queens College Townsend Harris High School;
  - \$250,000 for New York Medical College Disaster Training;
  - \$200,000 for BRIC Arts Media;
  - \$200,000 for YAFFED;
  - \$200,000 for the Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center;
  - \$150,000 for the Underground Railroad Cultural Education Center;
  - \$150,000 for the Vocational Education and Extension Board of Suffolk County;
  - \$120,000 for the Bronx Bethany Community Corporation;
  - \$100,000 for Professional Performing Arts School NYC;
  - \$100,000 for the African American Cultural Museum;

- \$100,000 for the Hillside Children’s Center;
- \$75,000 for the Storm King Arts Center;
- \$75,000 for the Renaissance Youth Center;
- \$50,000 for the Long Island Latino Teachers Association;
- \$50,000 for the Organizacion Latino Americana of Eastern Long Island (OLA);
- \$50,000 for Literacy Partners;
- \$50,000 for Read to Succeed Buffalo;
- \$50,000 for Literacy Inc.; 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 \$116.4 million;
- The Legislature provides \$6 million in funding for ten individual 4201 schools:
  - \$1 million for the Lavelle School for the Blind;
  - \$1 million for the Henry Viscardi School;
  - \$903,000 for the New York School for the Deaf;
  - \$903,000 for the Lexington School for the Deaf;
  - \$500,000 for the Mill Neck School for the Deaf;
  - \$500,000 for the Cleary School for the Deaf;
  - \$300,000 for the Rochester School for the Deaf;
  - \$200,000 for the St. Joseph’s for the Deaf;
  - \$150,000 for the St. Mary’s School for the Deaf; and
  - \$150,000 for the St. Francis de Sales School for the Deaf.

### Nonpublic Schools

- The Legislature provides an additional \$1.9 million for Nonpublic School Aid, for a total of \$242.1 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million to Nonpublic Immunization.
- The Legislature restores \$500,000 for Nonpublic Academic Intervention Services, for a total of \$1.4 million.

### ***Cultural Education***

- The Legislature provides a \$1.7 million restoration in funding for Library Aid over the Executive, for a total of \$106.4 million.
- The Legislature provides \$2 million in Aid to Public Radio and \$2 million for Public Television Stations, for a total of \$18 million in Public Broadcasting funding;
- The Legislature provides a \$125,000 increase for the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, for a total of \$625,000.
- The Legislature provides a \$110,000 increase for the Langston Hughes Community Library, for a total of \$332,500.
- The Legislature provides \$500,000 for a competitive grant pilot program to expand social work services in public libraries.
- The Legislature restores \$100,000 for the Brooklyn Public Library Center for Brooklyn History.

### ***Adult Career and Continuing Education Services***

- The Legislature restores \$500,000 for Adult Literacy Education, for a total of \$9.8 million.
- The Legislature restores \$750,000 for Independent Living Centers, for a total of \$16.8 million.
- The Legislature restores \$50,000 for Rockland County Independent Living Center BRIDGES, for a total of \$1.29 million.

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

- The Legislature provides the following restoration and increases:
  - \$2.9 million restoration and \$746,000 increase for the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP), for a total of \$50.5 million;
  - \$1.5 million restoration and \$386,000 increase for the Liberty Partnerships Program (LPP), for a total of \$26.1 million;

- \$1.3 million restoration and \$1.5 million increase for the Science and Technology Entry Program (STEP), for a total of \$23.6 million;
  - \$964,000 restoration and \$1.1 million increase for the Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program (CSTEP), for a total of \$17.9 million; and
  - \$483,000 restoration and \$126,000 increase for the Foster Youth Initiative, for a total of \$8.5 million.
- The Legislature also restores:
    - \$2 million for Students with Disabilities, for a total of \$4 million;
    - \$750,000 for Dental Grants Program;
    - \$400,000 for the Syracuse University D’Aniello Institute for Veterans and Military Families (IVMF);
    - \$350,000 for Latino U College Access; and
    - \$200,000 for On Point for College.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$10 million for Library Construction, for a total of \$44 million.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to continue the Contract for Excellence Program to maintain funding levels for districts that are not in good academic standing.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to expand universal Pre-K to support full-day instruction for four-year-old children by Fall 2028, consolidate UPK and Statewide Universal Full Day Prekindergarten into a single program, and increase funding for the instruction of three-year old children in New York City to make clarifying changes.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to require that Expanding our Children’s Education and Learning (EXCEL) projects are certified by the Commissioner of Education before December 31, 2028.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal directing the Commissioner of Education to provide school districts with instructional best practices in numeracy and the teaching of mathematics for grades K-5.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal relating to mayoral control, extending provisions for an additional two years.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal including renewable energy in cost allowances for building aid to make clarifying changes.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the zero-emission bus mandates by five years, allowing districts until July 1, 2032, to purchase only zero-emission buses and until July 1, 2040, to operate and maintain only zero-emission buses.
- The Legislature includes language which establishes an academic monitor for the Wyandanch Union Free School District.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to effectuate changes in the Foundation Aid formula.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to expand the scope of practice for medical assistants, medication aids and physician assistants; to expand practitioners authorized to execute examinations, certifications, and evaluations; or to transfer oversight of certain health care professions and professional entities from the State Education Department to the State Department of Health.
- The Legislature extends various provisions of law.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.6 billion, an increase of \$105.2 million above the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide an additional \$155 million for childcare subsidies for rest of state counties to allow counties to claim funding over a period of two federal fiscal years.
- The Legislature modifies a reappropriation of \$350 million for childcare subsidies for New York City to allow the City to utilize up to \$100 million for any purpose related to services for children.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive 1.7 percent Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by adding an additional \$103.5 million to support a 1.0 percent increase, for a total of 2.7 percent. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies TII would be \$279.5 million, including \$15.6 million for Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS).

The Legislature provides an additional \$85.5 million in funding for the following programs:

- \$19.5 million for various initiatives;
- \$10 million for Youth Team Sports;
- \$10 million for the Facilitated Enrollment 400 percent FPL program;
- \$5.8 million for the YMCA of Greater NY;
- \$4 million for Settlement Houses;
- \$2.8 million for 2-1-1 New York;
- \$2 million for the New York State YMCA Foundation;
- \$1.9 million for the Facilitated Enrollment 85 percent SMI program;
- \$1.9 million for Kinship Care;
- \$1.6 million for the Fresh Air Fund;
- \$1.5 million for the Westchester Childcare Scholarship Program;
- \$1 million for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library;
- \$1 million for Help Me Grow New York;

- \$1 million for the New York State Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs;
- \$1 million for Safe Harbor;
- \$850,000 for the Hispanic Federation;
- \$800,000 for Junior Achievement of New York;
- \$635,000 for Commonpoint Queens;
- \$500,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of New York;
- \$500,000 for East River Development Alliance;
- \$500,000 for Heartshare St. Vincent Services;
- \$500,000 for the Jewish Community Center of Staten Island-Lucille & Jay Chazanoff Sunrise Day Camp;
- \$500,000 for Legal Services of the Hudson Valley for Westchester Housing and Kinship Legal Services;
- \$500,000 for the Metropolitan New York Coordinating Council on Jewish Poverty;
- \$500,000 for the YWCA of Brooklyn;
- \$450,000 for New Alternatives for Children;
- \$400,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Western New York;
- \$350,000 for Little Haiti BK, Inc;
- \$350,000 for Make the Road NY;
- \$350,000 for the YMCA of Greater New York – Baychester Health and Wellness;
- \$300,000 for the Eagle Academy Foundation;
- \$300,000 for the West Indian Day Carnival Association;
- \$280,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Northern Westchester;
- \$260,000 for the Westchester County Youth Bureau;
- \$250,000 for the Chinese American Planning Council;
- \$250,000 for the East Flatbush Village;
- \$250,000 for the Empire Justice Center;
- \$250,000 for Haitian Americans United for Progress;
- \$250,000 for Public School 151 Lyndon B. Johnson;
- \$250,000 for Roads to Success Inc.;
- \$250,000 for the Ruff Ryders to the Rescue Foundation;
- \$250,000 for the Tri-Community Youth Agency;
- \$250,000 for Weeksville Heritage Center;
- \$225,000 for the Association of NYS Youth Bureaus;
- \$200,000 for Astor Services for Children and Families;
- \$200,000 for Bergen Basin Community Development Corporation;
- \$200,000 for Citizens Committee NYC;
- \$200,000 for Grandpas United;
- \$200,000 for Hope Empowerment and Development Zone;
- \$200,000 for the Jewish Child Care Association;
- \$200,000 for NYPD Youth Explorers;
- \$200,000 for ParentChild Plus;
- \$200,000 for the Queens Community House;
- \$200,000 for The Committee for Hispanic Children and Families, Inc;
- \$200,000 for Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Association;

- \$175,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Harlem;
- \$175,000 for the Shalom Task Force (STF);
- \$151,667 for Legal Services of the Hudson Valley LGBTQ+;
- \$150,000 for the Auschwitz Jewish Center Foundation Center;
- \$150,000 for the Center for Family Representation;
- \$150,000 for the Cornell ILR Buffalo Co-Lab;
- \$150,000 for the East Flatbush Village afterschool program;
- \$150,000 for El Centro Hispano;
- \$150,000 for the Greater Ithaca Activities Center;
- \$150,000 for the Kiryas Joel Social Service Organization;
- \$150,000 for Riseboro;
- \$150,000 for South Shore Child Guidance Association, Inc. DBA South Shore Guidance Center;
- \$150,000 for Tantzers;
- \$125,000 for the Center for Elder Law and Justice;
- \$125,000 for Legacy Volleyball;
- \$125,000 for the United Jewish Organization of Williamsburg Inc;
- \$120,000 for the Family Service Society of Yonkers – Guardianship Program;
- \$115,000 for Public School 889;
- \$100,000 for Afikim Foundation;
- \$100,000 for Afro Latin Jazz Alliance;
- \$100,000 for Astor Services for Children and Families - Ulster and Dutchess;
- \$100,000 for the Beraca Community Development Corporation;
- \$100,000 for the Braata Productions Corp.;
- \$100,000 for the Brooklyn Ballers Sports Youth and Educational Corporation;
- \$100,000 for Brooklyn Community Services;
- \$100,000 for Chazaq Organization USA;
- \$100,000 for Council of Peoples Organization, Inc.;
- \$100,000 for Covenant House New York;
- \$100,000 for Diaspora Community Services;
- \$100,000 for the Family Justice Center of Erie County;
- \$100,000 for the Fund for the City Of New York Inc -The New Pride Agenda Inc;
- \$100,000 for the Haitian American Community Center;
- \$100,000 for the Haitian American Family of Long Island, Inc.;
- \$100,000 for the Hispanic Heritage Cultural Institute;
- \$100,000 for Jericho Road Vive Shelter;
- \$100,000 for Jewish Board;
- \$100,000 for Kinship Navigators;
- \$100,000 for Konbit Neg LaKay Rockland County;
- \$100,000 for Minkwon Center For Community Action, Inc;
- \$100,000 for New Rochelle Boys and Girls Club;
- \$100,000 for the Partnership with Children;
- \$100,000 for Sesame Flyers;
- \$100,000 for Southside United HDFC/ Los Sures;

- \$100,000 for the Sunrise Day Camps Association, Inc.;
- \$100,000 for Women in Need Inc.;
- \$90,000 for the Dominico American Society of Queens Inc.;
- \$75,000 for Astor Services for Children and Families - Bronx;
- \$75,000 for Drive Change;
- \$75,000 for the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies (FPWA);
- \$75,000 for Fostering Youth Success Alliance College Initiative;
- \$75,000 for Fun in The Son;
- \$75,000 for the Fund for the City Of New York Inc -Jamaica Bay Rockaway Conservancy Parks;
- \$75,000 for Generation Acceleration;
- \$75,000 for the South End Children's Café;
- \$75,000 for YMCA Greater Rochester – Camp Gorham;
- \$65,000 for Fearless! (Safe Homes of Orange County);
- \$65,000 for Helen Keller Services for the Blind;
- \$50,000 for The Black Institute;
- \$50,000 for the Center for Advocacy Support and Transformation;
- \$50,000 for the Connect Center for Youth;
- \$50,000 for The Flatbush Development Corp;
- \$50,000 for Girls Inc. of the Greater Capital Region;
- \$50,000 for the Grandpas United Fatherhood Initiative;
- \$50,000 for the Good+ Foundation;
- \$50,000 for the Hispanic Brotherhood;
- \$50,000 for JCC Rockland;
- \$50,000 for the Juan Pablo Duarte Foundation;
- \$50,000 for Long Island Cares;
- \$50,000 for Rethink Food USA, Inc.;
- \$40,000 for the Discalced, Inc. DBA Mark Morris Dance Group;
- \$40,000 for the Dunleavy Milbank Community Center;
- \$35,000 for Catholic Charities Community Services Archdioces of New York - Victory for Life;
- \$30,000 for St Luke's Community Food Program;
- \$30,000 for Westchester Jewish Community Services;
- \$30,000 for WizKids Books B4 Basketball Program;
- \$20,000 for the Bangladeshi Society;
- \$20,000 for the Federation of Indigenous Nepalese in America;
- \$20,000 for the 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.; and
- \$10,000 for the Pakistani American Society of New York.

## **Capital Projects**

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

## **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently eliminate state reimbursement for the residential Committee on Special Education placements made outside of New York City and for students attending a state-operated school for the deaf and blind by maintaining the current financing structure for reimbursement for one year.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to increase the time period for license and registration validity from four to six years and to eliminate 30-hour biannual training requirement for child care providers.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to expand access to private adoptive placements by increasing the time frame for reimbursement of the birth mother's expenses incurred during the adoptive process.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to extend authorization of body scanners in the Office of Children and Family Services secure and specialized secure detention facilities.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.9 billion, an increase of \$50.3 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 \$20 million for statewide Eviction Prevention Legal Services, for a total of \$55 million.
- The Legislature provides \$10 million for rent arrears for public assistance recipients who live outside of New York City and have exhausted emergency arrear payments.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$5 million for Refugee Resettlement, for a total of \$7 million.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$5 million for the Nutritional Outreach and Education Program, for a total of \$8.7 million.
- The Legislature provides \$2 million for Double Up Food Bucks.
- 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 \$58 million;
  - \$4.1 million for ATTAIN;
  - \$1.4 million for Career Pathways;
  - \$800,000 for ACCESS;
  - \$785,000 for Preventive Services;
  - \$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, for a total of \$3.2 million;
  - \$144,000 for Wheels for Work;
  - \$82,000 for the Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority; and
  - \$25,000 for Centro of Oneida.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$6.8 million for the following programs:
    - \$1,750,000 for National Diaper Banks;
    - \$750,000 for Trillium Health;
    - \$650,000 for the Campaign Against Hunger;
    - \$500,000 for the Center for Community Alternatives;
    - \$500,000 for Woodside on the Move;
    - \$350,000 for Part of the Solution (POTS);
    - \$300,000 for Island Harvest Food Bank Workforce Development Initiative;
    - \$250,000 for the Albany Damien Center;
    - \$200,000 for the Jericho Road Community Health Center- Vive Shelter;
    - \$200,000 for the Italian American Civil Rights League;
    - \$150,000 for SAGE;
    - \$150,000 for Unique People Services;
    - \$150,000 for the Urban Resource Institute;
    - \$125,000 for Goddard Riverside Community Center;
    - \$125,000 for the Westchester Community Opportunity Program;
    - \$100,000 for Feeding Westchester;
    - \$100,000 for the Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County Green Teen Program;
    - \$100,000 for Mylah's Organization;
    - \$50,000 for Housing Help;
    - \$50,000 for Caring for the Hungry and Homeless of Peekskill;
    - \$50,000 for Meals on Wheels of Rockland County;
    - \$50,000 for the Hope Program;
    - \$50,000 for Pa'Lante Harlem;
    - \$50,000 for Urban Pathways;
    - \$40,000 for the Rockville Centre/Lakeview Economic Opportunity Center; and
    - \$15,000 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 2026.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$1.2 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides the following adds and restorations:
  - \$1 million for the Senator Patricia K. McGee Nursing Faculty Scholarship, for a total of \$4.9 million;
  - \$100,000 for the Child Welfare Worker Incentive Scholarship Program, for a total of \$150,000; and
  - \$50,000 for New York Young Farmers, for a total of \$200,000.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not Applicable

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to expand the New York State Masters-in-Education Teacher Incentive Scholarship Program to include students in master's programs leading to careers as early childhood educators.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to make the Recruitment Incentive & Retention Program permanent, to instead extend such program for an additional five years.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.5 billion, an increase of \$490.6 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides funding for the following programs:
  - \$20 million for one-time operating support for Mitchell-Lama and Public Housing developments;
  - \$10 million for down payment assistance for first-time homeowners;
  - \$10 million for operating support for Land Banks;
  - \$2 million for Fair Housing testing, for a total of \$4 million;
  - \$500,000 for various initiatives;
  - \$250,000 for the Association for Neighborhood & Housing Development;
  - \$100,000 for JustFix;
  - \$100,000 for PA'LANTE Harlem Inc.; and
  - \$50,000 for Housing Help Incorporated.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides funding for the following programs:
  - \$140 million for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA);
  - \$75 million for Public Housing Authorities outside of New York City;
  - \$60 million for Mitchell-Lama preservation inside New York City;
  - \$40 million for vacant unit repairs outside of New York City;
  - \$40 million for Land Banks;
  - \$30 million for Infill Housing;
  - \$25 million for Mitchell-Lama preservation outside New York City;
  - \$10 million for USDA 515 housing preservation;
  - \$10 million for the Small Rental Development Initiative;
  - \$8 million for the Rosendale Green Social Housing Demonstration;

- \$4 million for Access to Home for a total of \$5 million;
- \$3 million for the Green Affordable Pre-electrification (GAP) Program;
- \$2.6 million for the Housing Opportunities Program for the Elderly (includes RESTORE program), for a total of \$4 million.

## **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to transfer \$126.9 million in excess MIF reserves for the Neighborhood and Rural Preservation Programs, the Rural Rental Assistance Program, and homeless housing programs by increasing funding coming from the MIF by \$9.2 million to provide an additional \$5.97 million for NPPs and an additional \$3.2 million for RPPs and to restore the traditional legislative carve outs of \$250,000 each to the Neighborhood Preservation Coalition and Rural Housing Coalition.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Division of Human Rights**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$39.9 million.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature renumbers recently enacted Human Rights Law provisions relating to disparate impact standards for housing and employment discrimination to avoid statutory conflicts within Executive Law Section 296.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Labor**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.1 billion, an increase of \$35.2 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides \$5 million for the Hazard Abatement Board, for a total of \$10.9 million.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$5 million to establish wage theft prevention offices in rural District Attorneys' offices, to expand the program to District Attorneys' offices statewide.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$30.2 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 New Jewish Home;
  - \$2.5 million for the Workforce Development Institute Manufacturing Initiative;
  - \$2.5 million for Youthbuild New York;
  - \$1.2 million for the Displaced Homemaker Program;
  - \$1 million for the Registered Apprenticeship Programs administered by the Manufacturers Association of Central New York;
  - \$750,000 for the Manufacturers Association of Central NY;
  - \$750,000 for the WDI Statewide Pre-Apprenticeship Program (SPAP);
  - \$600,000 for WDI NYC Apprenticeship Programs;
  - \$500,000 for the Edward Malloy Apprenticeship Program;
  - \$500,000 for the Manufacturers Association of Central New York's Real Life Rosies Program;
  - \$500,000 for New York Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH);
  - \$500,000 for the WDI Safety and Mental Health Training Fund Program;
  - \$375,000 for Nontraditional Employment for Women Child Care (WDI);
  - \$300,000 for the Cornell ILR University Worker Institute;
  - \$300,000 for the Cornell ILR Yang-Tan Institute;

- \$300,000 for the NYS AFL-CIO/Cornell Union Leadership Institute;
- \$300,000 for the Crenulated Company Young Adult Opportunity Initiative;
- \$200,000 for the Buffalo Center for Arts and Technology;
- \$200,000 for the Building Trades Pre-Apprenticeship Program (BTPAP) Nassau County;
- \$200,000 for Newburgh BTPAP;
- \$200,000 for Western New York BTPAP;
- \$200,000 for the HOPE Program;
- \$200,000 for the Multi-craft Apprenticeship Program (M.A.P.P) Rochester;
- \$200,000 for the Eastern NY Laborers Training Center;
- \$200,000 for the Upstate NY Laborers Training Center;
- \$200,000 for the Laborers Training Center;
- \$200,000 for Long Island NYCOSH;
- \$200,000 for Western NY NYCOSH;
- \$200,000 for Solar ONE;
- \$180,000 for Gay Men’s Health Crisis;
- \$180,000 for the LGBTQ Black & Latino Institute for Leadership Training;
- \$150,000 for the Center for Employment Opportunities;
- \$150,000 for the Cornell ILR Buffalo Co-Lab;
- \$150,000 for the Cornell University Domestic Violence Program;
- \$150,000 for the Cornell ILR Sexual Harassment Prevention Program;
- \$150,000 for the Freelance Union;
- \$150,000 for the Future of Work Initiative;
- \$135,000 for Nonprofit Westchester;
- \$125,000 for the Cornell Training and Education, Criminal Records Program;
- \$120,000 for Collective Food Works, Inc;
- \$112,000 for the Teamsters 317 Training Fund;
- \$100,000 for the Building Trades Pre-Apprenticeship Program (BTPAP) Albany/  
M.A.P.P.;
- \$100,000 for LGBTQ Works;
- \$100,000 for N Power;
- \$100,000 for the National Domestic Workers Alliance;
- \$85,000 for Northeast NY NYCOSH;
- \$75,000 for Youth Build Schenectady;
- \$50,000 for the Girls Building Trades Summer Camp; and
- \$50,000 for the Urban League of Rochester.

## **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

## **Article VII**

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$218.9 million.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

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

### **Capital Projects**

- 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 \$15.1 billion, an increase of \$437.5 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature shifts the cost of SUNY Hospital debt service from the hospitals to the State, saving the SUNY Hospitals \$80 million.
- The Legislature restores \$2.6 million and increases funding by \$10.7 million for the Educational Opportunity Program, for a total of \$55.7 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million for High Needs Nursing Programs, for a total of \$2.7 million.
- The Legislature restores \$2 million for SUNY Maritime Cadet Appointments Program, for a total of \$2.2 million.
- The Legislature restores \$1 million for Mental Health Services, for a total of \$2 million.
- The Legislature provides an additional \$4 million (AY) to expand the Opportunity Promise Scholarship for students pursuing associate degrees in 4-Year SUNY colleges.
- The Legislature provides:
  - \$2 million for SUNY Albany Mesonet;
  - \$250,000 for the Bilingual Education Pipeline Initiative at SUNY Buffalo;
  - \$250,000 for SUNY Higher Education in Prison Program; and
  - \$250,000 for SUNY Clinton Community College Institute for Advanced Manufacturing.
- The Legislature also provides the following adds and restorations in operating funds:
  - \$433,000 for the Immigrant Integration Research and Policy Center;
  - \$425,000 for the Timbuctoo Climate Science Careers Summer Institute;
  - \$350,000 for the Black Leadership Institute;
  - \$350,000 for the Asian American Native American and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Leadership Institute;
  - \$330,000 for the Long Island Veteran's Home;

- \$250,000 for State University College of Technology at Farmingdale for additional operational and programmatic needs; and
- \$150,000 for the Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$12 million in additional base aid for SUNY Community Colleges for the 2026-27 Academic Year (AY), for a total of \$445.3 million.
- The Legislature restores:
  - \$1.7 million for the Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE), for a total of \$6.1 million; and
  - \$300,000 for Dutchess Community College and \$200,000 for Schenectady Community College initiative to alleviate housing and food insecurity for students.

### **Capital Projects**

The Legislature provides:

- \$200 million in additional funding for SUNY Critical Maintenance, for a total of \$795 million;
- \$100 million for SUNY Research Facilities; and
- \$100 million spending authority using non-state funding for the State University Capital Projects Fund.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to expand the New York Opportunity Promise Scholarship eligibility to nursing students with postsecondary degrees, to additionally expand such scholarship to include associate degrees at four-year public colleges.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the SUNY Board of Trustees to promulgate rules and regulations related to late submission of certificates of residence.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the authorization for SUNY to set differential non-resident undergraduate and graduate tuition rates at state-operated institutions and senior colleges for three years.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the trustees of SUNY to lease certain lands on the SUNY at Farmingdale campus and on the SUNY at Stony Brook campus and to authorize the Commissioner of Transportation to transfer and convey certain state-owned real property in the town of Babylon, county of Suffolk.
- The Legislature provides clarifying language and additionally authorizes the lease of certain lands on the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry campus.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Office of the 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**

### **Higher Education Facilities Capital Matching Grants Program**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$40 million, a \$40 million increase over the Executive proposal.

#### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$40 million for the Higher Education Facilities Capital Matching Grant Program.

### **Raise the Age**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$250 million.

#### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to clarify that counties can continue to access funding for prior year plans through the current appropriation.

### **Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$80 million, an increase of \$40 million over the Executive's proposal.

#### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature restores an additional \$40 million for the Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program, which provides facility enhancement grants to small and midsized organizations, to be administered by the New York State Council on the Arts.

# **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 \$447.1 million, an increase of \$11.3 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 1.7 percent Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by adding an additional \$103.5 million to support a 1.0 percent increase, for a total of 2.7 percent. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies TII would be \$279.5 million, including \$6.2 million for SOFA.
- The Legislature provides \$9.1 million in funding for the following programs:
  - \$1.4 million for the Holocaust Survivors Initiative;
  - \$1.1 million for Project Guardianship;
  - \$900,000 for the Metropolitan New York Coordinating Council on Jewish Poverty;
  - \$700,000 for the LISMA Foundation;
  - \$500,000 for NORC nursing services;
  - \$375,000 for Lifespan of Greater Rochester;
  - \$350,000 for the Center for Elder Law and Justice;
  - \$400,000 for Regional Aid for Interim Needs;
  - \$250,000 for the Jewish Association for Services of the Aged – Coney Island;
  - \$250,000 for Lifespan of Greater Rochester Scam Prevention;
  - \$250,000 for Westchester Residential Opportunities;
  - \$200,000 for Samuel Waxman Institute for Aging and Cancer;
  - \$200,000 for the Weinberg Center for Elder Justice at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale;
  - \$200,000 for SAGE;
  - \$200,000 for the Statewide Senior Action Council’s Patients’ Rights Hotline;
  - \$200,000 for the Older Adults Technology Center (OATS);
  - \$200,000 for LiveOn NY;
  - 186,000 for the Foundation for Senior Citizens Home Sharing and Respite Program;

- \$150,000 for the Riseboro Community Partnership;
- \$150,000 for the Colonie Senior Service Centers;
- \$150,000 for Wayside Out-Reach Development;
- \$125,000 for the West Side Federation for Senior and Supportive Housing;
- \$115,000 for the Lenox Hill Neighborhood House;
- \$112,000 for the Guardianship Corp;
- \$100,000 for SAGE LGBT Welcome Elder Housing;
- \$100,000 for Tropicalfete;
- \$100,000 for the Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center;
- \$50,000 for the Glen Cove Senior Center;
- \$50,000 for India Home;
- \$50,000 for Spring Creek Senior Partners (NORC); and
- \$25,000 for the Jewish Association for Services of the Aged - Bay Eden Senior Center.

### **Capital Projects**

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

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) and the Disability Rent Increase Exemption (DRIE) programs for two years, until June 30, 2028, and increase the maximum income eligibility thresholds for each program from \$50,000 to \$75,000. The Legislature includes language that will ensure that tenants will also be provided with notices of potential eligibility for these programs at certain times, such as at the time of lease renewal. The Legislature also includes language to increase the maximum income eligibility thresholds for Senior Citizen Homeowners' Exemption (SCHE) and the Disabled Homeowners' Exemption (DHE) programs from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Council on Developmental Disabilities**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.8 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 Department of Health (DOH)**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$147.2 billion, an increase of \$10.1 billion over the Executive Proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides \$700,000 to restore funding for Section 405.4 Hospital Audits.
- The Legislature does not include \$4.7 million to support the enforcement of taxes on vapor products.

### **Aid to Localities**

#### ***Medicaid***

- The Legislature provides \$500 million in funding for financially distressed hospitals.
- The Legislature provides \$2.5 million to restore Health Home Qualifying Conditions Reform.
- The Legislature provides \$2 million for Elizabeth Seton Children’s Rehabilitation Center.

#### ***Healthcare Stability Fund (HSF)***

- The Legislature provides \$2.2 billion in HSF disbursements to fund various initiatives, including:
  - \$711 million for hospitals;
  - \$500 million for Global Cap offset;
  - \$433 million for nursing homes;
  - \$330 million for the Safety Net Transformation Program;
  - \$100 million for the Home Care Worker Quality Program;
  - \$50 million for the Mainstream Managed Care Quality Pool;
  - \$50 million for the Physician Fee Schedule;
  - \$40 million for clinics;
  - \$18 million for Assisted Living Programs and Hospice; and
  - \$15 million for a Value Based Payment Innovation Pool.

### ***Essential Plan***

- The Legislature provides \$8.5 billion to reflect Federal approval to reactivate the 1331 Basic Health Plan. These funds will support the continuation of Essential Plan coverage for 1.3 million enrollees with incomes below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

### ***Public Health***

- The Legislature provides \$28.5 million to support the Medical Indemnity Fund.
- The Legislature provides \$39.3 million in funding to restore Physician's Excess Medical Malpractice.
- The Legislature provides \$10 million in funding for maternal health grants.
- The Legislature provides \$7 million for Long Term Care providers.
- The Legislature provides \$5 million for SOMOS Innovation.
- The Legislature provides \$5 million in funding for United Way of New York City;
- The Legislature provides \$5 million in additional funding for Occupation Health Clinics, for a total of \$14.6 million.
- The Legislature provides \$10.4 million in funding to support opioid addiction harm reduction and patient-centered services.
- The Legislature provides \$10.2 million in funding to restore various public health programs including:
  - \$3.5 million for Empire Clinical Research Program;
  - \$3.3 million for Enhancing Quality of Adult Living (EQUAL) Program;
  - \$1.5 million for Healthy Neighborhoods;
  - \$430,000 for Health Promotions Initiative;
  - \$380,000 for Enriched Housing Subsidy Program;
  - \$252,000 for Center for Liver Transplant;
  - \$75,000 for Coalition for the Institutionalized Aged and Disabled;
  - \$69,400 for Tick Disease Prevention Program;
  - \$32,000 for Statewide Health Broadcast Program;
  - \$26,950 for Minority Male Wellness and Screening; and
  - \$26,000 for Long Term Community Coalition Program.

- The Legislature provides \$27.2 million in funding to support various public health programs including:
  - \$3.8 million for School Based Health Centers;
  - \$2 million for Albert Einstein College of Medicine;
  - \$1.7 million for Community Health Advocates;
  - \$1.5 million for Sickle Cell Anemia;
  - \$1.25 million for Diversity in Medicine Program;
  - \$1.25 million for Lorena Borjas Transgender Wellness and Equity Fund Program;
  - \$1.1 million for Rural Health Care Access Development and Rural Health Network Development;
  - \$1 million for Family Planning Services;
  - \$1 million for Nurse Family Partnership;
  - \$1 million for Reproductive Freedom and Equity Fund;
  - \$1 million for the United Way;
  - \$975,000 for New York Common Pantry;
  - \$900,000 for New York Alliance for Donation;
  - \$525,000 for AFYA Foundation;
  - \$500,000 for Area Health Education Centers;
  - \$475,000 for LGBT Health and Human Services Network;
  - \$450,000 for Primary Care Development Corporation;
  - \$409,000 for Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency;
  - \$400,000 for New Alternatives for Children;
  - \$388,000 for Cystic Fibrosis Assistance Program;
  - \$365,000 for Alzheimer’s Disease Resource Center;
  - \$350,000 for Communilife;
  - \$283,300 for Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline;
  - \$263,000 for HIV/AIDS Community Service Programs (CSP);
  - \$250,000 for Doula Grant Expansion Program;
  - \$250,000 for ALS Association;
  - \$250,000 for Safe Motherhood;
  - \$200,000 for Crisis Services of Buffalo and Eerie County;
  - \$200,000 for LiveOn Rise Program;
  - \$200,000 for Nurse Family Partnership- Nassau;
  - \$150,000 for Coalition for the Institutionalized Aged and Disabled;
  - \$150,000 for VetSmile Dental Clinic;
  - \$150,000 for Breast Cancer Coalition of Rochester;
  - \$150,000 for Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial Inc.;
  - \$100,000 for AIDS Community Resource Health Q Center;
  - \$100,000 for American Parkinson’s Disease Association;
  - \$100,000 for Capital District Parkinson’s Center YMCA;
  - \$100,000 for Caribbean Women’s Health Organization;
  - \$100,000 for Feeding Westchester;

- \$100,000 for Gay Men’s Health Crisis;
- \$100,000 for James V. and Fay P. Ryan Paramedic Foundation, Inc.;
- \$100,000 for Met Council;
- \$100,000 for Morris Heights Health Center;
- \$100,000 for Maternal Depression Peer Support Program;
- \$100,000 for Urban Health Plan;
- \$90,000 for International Lymphatic Disease Patient Registry and Biorepository;
- \$88,000 for Brain Injury Association of NYS (COPE);
- \$88,000 for Brain Injury Association of NYS (Continuum of Care Program);
- \$84,000 for NYS Coalition for School Based Health Centers;
- \$75,000 for Spina Bifida Association of Northeast NY;
- \$50,000 for Rockland County Pride Center, Inc.;
- \$50,000 for West Side Campaign Against Hunger;
- \$50,000 for Island Harvest Food Bank;
- \$50,000 for the LGBTQ Health Center;
- \$50,000 for Academy of Medical and Public Health Services;
- \$50,000 for Broome County Council of Churches;
- \$30,000 for Choice Matters;
- \$25,000 for Medicare Rights Center; and
- \$1.5 million for various public health initiatives.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$3.3 million to restore funding for Enhancing Quality of Adult Living (EQUAL) Program.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the legal authority for the Medicaid Global Cap through fiscal year 2028.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend the legal authority for various programs and statutes under the Public Health Law, Elder Law, Insurance Law, Education Law, and Social Services Law by including the extension of Nursing Home Transition and Diversion (NHTD) waiver through 2028 and the Nursing Home demonstration program for 1 year.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend all programs and aspects of the Health Care Reform Act (HCRA), through March 31, 2029 by restoring the Empire Clinical Researcher Investigator Program.

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to reform the retention and destruction process of sexual offense evidence kits and create a working group to address the creation of a coordinated tracking system for sexual offense evidence kits.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to eliminate various public health programs under the Department of Health.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to make technical amendments to various sections of the Public Health Law.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to centralize AED registration with the Department of Health and remove barriers created by collaborative agreements and training requirements.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to expand financial disclosure requirements for healthcare providers in relation to proposed material transactions.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to extend enhanced reimbursement rates for nursing services reimbursed by the Medical Indemnity Fund one year to June 1, 2027.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Health to expand oversight over temporary nurse staffing agencies by establishing a profit cap.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to expand community-based paramedicine and allow hospitals to offer acute off-site care in a patient's residence.
- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to restore nursing home capital rates by 10 percent and does not include the premium changes to the Medicaid Buy-In for Working Persons with Disabilities Program.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to make various reforms to Medicaid Managed Care and the Essential Plan due to changes required under federal law and H.R.1, including:
  - The elimination of Medicaid/Medicare crossover claims for psychology services;
  - Repeal continuous eligibility for Medicaid and Child Health Plus for child under ages 0-6;
  - Ensure medically necessary biomarker testing is covered under the Medicaid program; and
  - Delay coverage of long term services and supports under the Essential Plan until 2031.

- The Legislature includes language to increase investments from the Health Care Stability Fund to support Hospitals, Nursing Homes, and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs); and restore a 10 percent hospital capital rate add-on.
- The Legislature includes language to repeal the Distressed Provider Assistance Account, which intercepts \$150 million in NYC sales tax, and restore the New York City General Public Health Work reimbursement rate from 20 percent to 36 percent.
- The Legislature includes language to permanently maintain School Based Health in Medicaid Fee-for-Service.
- The Legislature includes language to ensure that undocumented seniors over 65 years of age continue to have access to the covered benefits they receive under Medicaid managed care, by shifting this population to Medicaid Fee for Service.
- The Legislature includes language to restructure the MCO Provider Tax to be broad-based and uniform to adhere to new CMS requirements and move to a percentage-based total premium revenue model rather than a Per-Member-Per-Month model used previously.
- The Legislature includes language to extend enhanced Medicaid reimbursement rates for medically fragile children at the Elizabeth Seton pediatric diagnostic and treatment center two years to April 1, 2029.

## **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 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 (OASAS)**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.4 billion, an increase of \$16.8 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 1.7 percent Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by adding an additional \$103.5 million to support a 1.0 percent increase, for a total of 2.7 percent. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies TII would be \$279.5 million, including \$18.1 million for OASAS.
- The Legislature provides \$2 million for Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialists (SAPIS)
- The Legislature provides support for the following programs:
  - \$500,000 for Family & Children Association Recovery Community Outreach Center;
  - \$250,000 for Addiction Recovery Supportive Transportation Services Demonstration Program;
  - \$250,000 for the Samaritan Daytop Village Addiction Treatment Program;
  - \$250,000 for Coalition for Behavioral Health InUnity Alliance;
  - \$150,000 for CUNY / Harlem Strong Model Mental Health Programs;
  - \$100,000 for PROMESA, Inc.;
  - \$100,000 for Camelot of Staten Island;
  - \$100,000 for Cazenovia Recovery Systems;
  - \$100,000 for the Dynamic Youth Community;
  - \$100,000 for Helio Health;
  - \$100,000 for the Horizon Village;
  - \$100,000 for New York Therapeutic Communities;
  - \$100,000 for the Odyssey House;
  - \$100,000 for the Outreach Development Corporation;
  - \$100,000 for Phoenix House of New York; and
  - \$100,000 for St. Joseph's Rehabilitation Center.

## **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 \$6.4 billion, an increase of \$45.2 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 1.7 percent Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by adding an additional \$103.5 million to support a 1.0 percent increase, for a total of 2.7 percent. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies TII would be \$279.5 million, including \$88.5 million for OMH.
- The Legislature provides \$8 million to support the operation and expansion of Daniel's Law Pilot Programs.
- The Legislature provides funding for the following programs:
  - \$500,000 for Cohen Veterans Network;
  - \$350,000 for Veteran's Mental Health Training Initiative;
  - \$300,000 for Crisis Services of Buffalo and Erie County;
  - \$250,000 for Amudim Community Resources;
  - \$250,000 for the EverGreen Meadow;
  - \$250,000 for the Mental Health Advocates of Western NY;
  - \$250,000 for the Syracuse Crunch;
  - \$200,000 for Sources of Strength;
  - \$200,000 for Venture House Club House;
  - \$200,000 for Westchester Jewish Community Services;
  - \$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 Keren Zichron Yisroel Meier;
  - \$150,000 for Unconditional Support Incorporated;
  - \$100,000 for the Family Service League;
  - \$100,000 for FarmNet;

- \$100,000 for Finger Lake Health Systems Agency;
- \$100,000 for Global Trauma Research;
- \$100,000 for Mental Health Association of NYS;
- \$100,000 for The Harris Project- Encompass Program;
- \$100,000 for The Harris Project- Included Program; and
- \$75,000 for the Rainbow Heights Club.

### **Capital Projects**

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

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive Proposal to establish and fund a 1.7% Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) for programs under the Office of Mental Health (OMH), the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS), the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA), and the State Office for the Aging (SOFA) by funding a 2.7% TII.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the statutory requirement to provide the ambulatory patient group (APG) reimbursement rate for the provision of mental health and substance use services until March 31, 2031.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive Proposal that would authorize OMH and OASAS to establish a single joint license, regulations, and standards for integrated behavioral health services.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$10.4 billion, an increase of \$56.2 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 1.7 percent Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by adding an additional \$103.5 million to support a 1.0 percent increase, for a total of 2.7 percent. The State fiscal year total cost for the Human Services agencies TII would be \$279.5 million, including \$151.3 million for OPWDD.
- The Legislature provides funding for the following programs:
  - \$300,000 for Special Olympics New York;
  - \$260,000 for Jawonio;
  - \$200,000 for Special Olympics New York Transportation;
  - \$200,000 for the Autism Society of the Greater Capital Region;
  - \$150,000 for Best Buddies International;
  - \$150,000 for People, Inc.;
  - \$150,000 for the Brain Injury Alliance;
  - \$50,000 for Backyard Players & Friends; 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 includes language to extend the legal authority for the OPWDD Care Demonstration Program through fiscal year 2027-28.
- The Legislature includes language to extend the legal authority for the OPWDD to provide notification of closures or transfer of state-operated individualized residential alternatives to the legislature and labor organizations through fiscal year 2027-28.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$63.4 million, an increase of \$230,000 over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$230,000 to restore the Adult Home Health Advocacy Program.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal that would eliminate the Adult Home Health Advocacy Program.

# **Transportation, Economic Development & Environmental Conservation**

**By Agency**

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Adirondack Park Agency**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.5 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 Agriculture and Markets**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$412.4 million, an increase of \$14.6 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature makes modifications to appropriate funding for Agricultural Marketing/Dairy Promotion orders separately from the department's operational appropriations.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$93.6 million for aid to localities programs, an increase of \$9.6 million over the Executive proposal, and \$32 million over SFY 2025-26 levels.
- The Enacted Budget includes year to year increases for the following programs:
  - \$890,000 for Agricultural Child Care, for a total of \$11.3 million;
  - \$500,000 for Local Fair Promotion, for a total of \$2.5 million;
  - \$400,000 for FarmNet, for a total of \$1.4 million;
  - \$217,500 for NYS Cider Association, for a total of \$326,000;
  - \$88,000 for Cornell Pro-Dairy, for a total of \$1.55 million;
  - \$200,000 for John May Farm Safety Fund, for a total of \$500,000;
  - \$75,000 for Cornell Maple Research, for a total of \$226,000;
  - \$100,000 for Cornell CCE Upstate Downstate, for a total of \$150,000;
  - \$50,000 for NYS Brewers Association, for a total of \$150,000; and
  - \$50,000 for Cornell CCE Dutchess County, for a total of \$100,000.
- The Legislature fully restores the following:
  - \$1.15 million for the New York Farm Viability Institute, for a total of \$2.15 million;
  - \$1 million for Economically and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers;
  - \$1 million for Beginning Farmers;
  - \$850,000 for Grow NYC;
  - \$759,000 for New York State Apple Growers Association, for a total of \$1.2 million;
  - \$700,000 for Cornell University "Core" Diagnostic Lab, for a total of \$9 million;

- \$700,000 for Farmland for a New Generation Resource Center & Navigator;
  - \$300,000 for Northern NY Agricultural Development;
  - \$300,000 for Cornell Hops Breeding Research and Extension;
  - \$250,000 for Cornell Pro-Livestock;
  - \$200,000 for Northeast Organic Farming Association;
  - \$200,000 for Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship;
  - \$200,000 for Hudson Valley Agribusiness Development Corporation;
  - \$150,000 for New York State Wine and Grape Foundation, for a total of \$1.23 million;
  - \$100,000 for Black Farmers United of New York State, for a total of \$200,000;
  - \$100,000 for Hop Growers of New York State;
  - \$100,000 for Cannabis Association of New York;
  - \$100,000 for Cannabis Farmers Alliance;
  - \$99,000 for Maple Producers Association, for a total of \$251,000;
  - \$75,000 for Cornell Vegetable Research, for a total of \$126,000;
  - \$75,000 for Cornell Agriculture Workforce Development;
  - \$75,000 for Empire Sheep Producers;
  - \$75,000 for Volunteers Improving Neighborhood Environment;
  - \$50,000 for Cornell Concord Grape Research, for a total of \$252,000;
  - \$50,000 for Cornell Malting Barley Research, for a total of \$353,000;
  - \$50,000 for Pitney Meadows Community Farm;
  - \$50,000 for Comfort Food Community;
  - \$49,000 for New York Corn and Soybean Growers Association, for a total of \$125,000;
  - \$24,000 for NYS Distillers Guild, for a total of \$100,000; and
  - \$20,000 for Cornell Onion Research, for a total of \$71,000.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to include \$30 million for tariff relief payments to farmers, to limit payments to a minimum of \$1,000 and a maximum of \$25,000, and to add a reporting requirement.
  - The Enacted Budget includes a year to year decrease of \$50,000 for local fair premium reimbursements, for a total of \$500,000.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$10 million for companion animal shelters, an increase of \$5 million over the Executive proposal.

## Article VII

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to transfer the administration of dairy and other agricultural marketing orders from the Empire State Development Corporation back to Agriculture and Markets.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the refundability provision of the investment tax credit for farmers by five years.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$111.6 million, an increase of \$5.7 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature restores support for the following programs:
  - \$2 million in additional support to provide \$1 million to each of the 14 traditional Centers of Excellence, for a total of \$14 million;
  - \$1.4 million in additional support for the Centers for Advanced Technology to provide \$1 million to each center, for a total of \$15 million;
  - \$1 million in additional support for Local Tourism Matching Grants, for a total of \$3.5 million;
  - \$500,000 for Broome County Community Charities;
  - \$250,000 for artificial intelligence at SUNY Orange County Community College, and designation as a new Center of Excellence;
  - \$250,000 for the Eastern NY satellite for Cornell's Center of Excellence in Agricultural Innovation; and
  - \$250,000 for the Center of Excellence in RNA Research and Therapeutics at the University of Rochester and UAlbany.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

## Article VII

- Not applicable.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York State Energy Research and Development Authority**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$90.4 million.

### **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 does not include the Executive proposal that would make modifications to loan parameters and recording requirements under the Green Jobs-Green New York program.
- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to extend, for one year, the authority for NYSERDA to receive funds from an assessment on utilities.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.7 billion, an increase of \$37.6 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides an increase of \$1.1 million for the following programs:
  - \$300,000 for Save the Great South Bay, Inc.;
  - \$200,000 for Environmental Leaders of Color;
  - \$140,000 for the Hope Program;
  - \$120,000 for the Adirondack Diversity Initiative, for a total of \$420,000;
  - \$100,000 for the Friends of the Upper Delaware River, for a total of \$450,000;
  - \$100,000 for the Upper Delaware Council, Inc.;
  - \$54,723 for Interstate Environmental Commission, for a total of \$96,323;
  - \$50,000 for Catskill Mountainkeeper; and
  - \$50,000 for Catskill Center for Conservation and Development.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to appropriate \$10 million for Resilient and Adaptive Communities by clarifying the purpose of the funding and to ensure the funding is allocated through a competitive grant program.

### **Capital Projects**

#### ***Environmental Protection Fund (EPF)***

- The Legislature provides \$450 million for the EPF, an increase of \$25 million over the Executive proposal. The increase is funded, in part, with a \$150 million transfer from the General Fund, an increase of \$25 million over the Executive proposal. EPF appropriations include \$425 million in the DEC Capital budget, as well as \$25 million in the Sustainable Future Program. The Legislature provides the following:
  - \$52.5 million for Public Access and Stewardship, an increase of \$1.9 million;

- \$45 million for Land Acquisition, an increase of \$3 million;
  - \$28.8 million for Municipal Parks, an increase of \$2.8 million;
  - \$28 million for the Water Quality Improvement Program, an increase of \$2.9 million;
  - \$27 million for Farmland Protection, an increase of \$2 million;
  - \$26 million for the Oceans and Great Lakes Initiative, an increase of \$1.4 million;
  - \$23 million for Municipal Recycling, an increase of \$3.4 million;
  - \$22.5 million for Zoos, Botanical Gardens, and Aquariums, an increase of \$1 million;
  - \$20.5 million for Climate Resilient Farms, an increase of \$1.4 million;
  - \$19 million for Soil & Water Conservation Districts, an increase of \$350,000;
  - \$15.6 million for Environmental Justice, an increase of \$1.3 million;
  - \$12 million for Environmental Health, an increase of \$750,000;
  - \$8 million for the Hudson River Estuary Plan, an increase of \$500,000;
  - \$4.4 million for the Hudson River Park Trust, an increase of \$300,000;
  - \$4 million for Finger Lakes - Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance (FFLOWPA), an increase of \$500,000;
  - \$3 million for Long Island South Shore Estuary Reserve, an increase of \$900,000;
  - \$2.4 million for Agricultural Waste Management, an increase of \$500,000;
  - \$975,000 for the Lake George Park Commission, an increase of \$25,000; and
  - \$800,000 for the Farmers Market Resiliency Grant Program, an increase of \$100,000.
- The Legislature makes the following suballocations:
    - \$10 million for Adirondack and Catskill Park overuse including \$250,000 to the Adirondack Mountain Club Visitor Centers;
    - \$6 million for food waste diversion;
    - \$4.5 million for Fresh Connect and SNAP EBT;
    - \$3.5 million for the Land Trust Alliance, including \$500,000 for Grassland Bird Conservation;
    - \$3.25 million for the Center for Sustainable Materials Management at SUNY ESF;
    - \$2 million for Survey of Climate and Adirondack Lake Ecosystems (SCALE);
    - \$2 million for Cornell Agritech;
    - \$1.7 million for Timbuctoo;
    - \$1.5 million for the Mohawk River Action Plan;
    - \$1 million for Planting Fields;
    - \$1 million for the Peconic Estuary Partnership;
    - \$1 million for Cornell University Agrivoltaics Study;
    - \$1 million for municipal EV fast chargers;
    - \$700,000 for Cornell Soil Health Program;
    - \$610,000 for the Hobart Finger Lakes Institute;
    - \$500,000 for Resiliency Planting;
    - \$500,000 for Agricultural Forestry;

- \$450,000 for Fresh Connect and SNAP EBT access at farmers markets;
- \$300,000 for the Newtown Creek Alliance;
- \$300,000 for the Great Swamp;
- \$300,000 for the Bronx River Alliance;
- \$250,000 for the Alphonse Campbell/Powells Lane Park;
- \$250,000 for the Horticulture Society of New York;
- \$200,000 for Bronx Bethany Community Corporation;
- \$200,000 for the Wolf Conservation Center;
- \$200,000 for Paul Smith’s College for the Adirondack Watershed Institute;
- \$200,000 for the Atmospheric Sciences Research Center;
- \$200,000 for Save the Great South Bay;
- \$150,000 for the Brooklyn Queens Land Trust;
- \$150,000 for the Jamaica Bay Wetlands Fellowship;
- \$150,000 for the Forest Park Trust;
- \$125,000 for Long Island City Coalition;
- \$100,000 for Hunters Point Park;
- \$100,000 for the Lower East Side Ecology Center; and
- \$100,000 for North Brooklyn Parks Alliance.

***Water Infrastructure***

- The Legislature provides \$525 million for the Clean Water Infrastructure Act of 2017, an increase of \$25 million over the Executive proposal. The \$25 million increase reflects a shift from the Executive proposal for \$200 million for water infrastructure related to housing development.
- The Legislature provides \$175 million for water infrastructure related to housing development and modifies the appropriation language to ensure consideration is given to projects that upgrade existing water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure.
- The Legislature provides \$50 million for water infrastructure related to rural housing and modifies the appropriation language to ensure consideration is given to projects that upgrade existing water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure.
- The Enacted budget includes various amendments to existing appropriations for Army Corps of Engineers water infrastructure projects.
- The Legislature provides \$12.5 million for drinking water infrastructure in the Village of Tupper Lake.

### ***New York Works***

- The Legislature provides \$114 million for New York Works, reflecting an increase of \$24 million over the Executive proposal for the restoration of the Conklingville Dam.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to revise the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), including adding provisions to clarify that municipalities retain their control over zoning and all other existing powers, including the ability to require studies and remediation.
- The Legislature modifies the proposal that would remove limits on rebates available to municipalities through the Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Grant Program by increasing the limit on grants for the purchase of electric vehicles to \$30,000.
- The Legislature extends the “Cleaner, Greener NY Act of 2013” through April 1, 2031.
- The Legislature includes revisions to the accounting and reporting methodology of the Community Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) and increases the amount of funding available to disadvantaged communities.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Metropolitan Transportation Authority**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.4 billion, an increase of \$6 million over the Executive proposal. In addition, the Legislature provides contingency appropriations of \$2.2 billion.

### **State Operations**

- Not applicable.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature includes \$6 million for the Verrazzano Narrows Bridge rebate program.

### **Capital Projects**

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

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to conduct its State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) reviews for the Second Avenue Subway-West Project in two separate phases.
- 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 one year.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget New York Waterfront Commission**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.4 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 New York State Gaming Commission**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$494.4 million, an increase of \$1.4 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides \$1.4 million to support a Standardbred Drug Testing Program.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to make various technical, conforming, and clean up amendments to the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law following actions taken in the SFY 2025-26 Enacted Budget.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend Capital Off-Track Betting Corporation's authorization to use Capital Acquisition Funds for alternative purposes by one year.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend certain current pari-mutuel tax rates and out of state simulcasting provisions, to extend these provisions for one year.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing licensure exemptions for certain seasonal employees at Saratoga racetrack for additional race days occurring in 2026, by one year, to account for the final running of the Belmont Stakes at Saratoga in 2026.

- The Legislature includes language to: extend the current structure of the Western OTB board for an additional 10 years; disallow board members or officers who leave the corporation from returning to the corporation for a 5-year period; impose a 5-year lobbying ban for former employees of the corporation; and establish a lifetime lobbying on matters the former employee actually worked on while in service of the corporation.
- The Legislature includes language to establish standardbred drug testing for harness racing and authorizes the Gaming Commission to assess additional start fee and industry contributions to fund the program.
- The Legislature includes language to temporarily reduce the current tax rate on net win for various VLT facilities located across the State for three years. Additionally, certain VLT facilities located near a newly licensed casino that recently began operations would be eligible for an enhanced reduction in their tax rate. The language would require VLTs to maintain certain job levels, include reporting requirements, and require the Gaming Commission to undertake a comprehensive study to analyze future potential changes in commercial casino and VLT facility tax rates.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Motor Vehicles**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$490 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**

- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend for two years the law maintaining certain DMV fees and directing their deposit into the Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund and authorizing the payment of DMV operating costs from such fund.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend for two years the authorization for DMV to establish and implement a program to deliver approved accident prevention courses for point and insurance reduction by the internet or other technologies.
- The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to extend for two years the law authorizing the demonstration and testing of autonomous vehicles on public roads.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal which would require motorcycle license applicants to take a rider safety training course.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize New York City to establish a pilot program requiring persons committing speed camera violations in New York City

to install and maintain an intelligent speed assistance device on their vehicles, by clarifying program parameters and requirements.

- The Legislature includes language to modify the adjudication procedures for school bus camera violations by providing for the establishment of traffic camera violations bureaus.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Olympic Regional Development Authority**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$114.1 million.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

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

### **Article VII**

- Not applicable.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$74 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides an increase of \$1.25 million for the following programs:
  - \$700,000 for ArtPark, for a total of \$1 million;
  - \$350,000 for Green-Wood Cemetery; and
  - \$200,000 for the Buffalo Fine Arts Academy.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$20 million for NY Statewide Investment in More Swimming (NY SWIMS).
- The Legislature provides \$20 million for New York Places for Learning and Youth Socialization (NY PLAYS).
- The Legislature restores \$10 million in capital funding for zoos, botanical gardens, and aquaria.
- The Legislature provides \$10 million for the Queens Botanical Garden.
- The Legislature provides \$4 million for the Brooklyn Botanic Garden.
- The Legislature provides \$4 million to the Town of Rotterdam for Parks and Sports Facilities.
- The Legislature provides \$4 million for Rainey Park.
- The Legislature provides \$1 million for the Queens Waterfront Greenway Project.

## Article VII

- Not applicable.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of Public Service**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$192.8 million.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature modifies appropriation language to ensure the potential costs of utility affordability monitors created pursuant to Article VII legislation will be covered by existing Department of Public Service (DPS) resources.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal for \$33 million for the Excelsior Power Program, to ensure this funding is subject to the provisions of Article VII legislation.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to increase the amount of information available in utility rate cases and further restrict lobbying and the ability to recover other costs, including rate case preparation, from ratepayers.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to revise utility rate-case timing, including explicitly authorizing the Public Service Commission to deny rate increases, and establishing parity in the length of litigated and settlement multi-year rate determinations.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal providing for the identification and monitoring of utility energy burdens to increase the responsibilities of the oversight monitor.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit a utility corporation from terminating service for tenants residing in multiple dwelling units where the

landlord is responsible for bill payments and authorize procedures to commence lien actions against the affected property for the amount of the unpaid utility bills.

- The Legislature includes the Accelerate Solar for Affordable Power (ASAP) Act to increase distributed solar energy capacity, reduce interconnection delays, and lower interconnection costs to developers while protecting ratepayers.
- The Legislature includes language to establish the blue ribbon commission on Residential Affordability Through Energy Savings (RATES) to examine utility issues including causes and origins of rising utility rates, the current regulatory model of entities that deliver electric powers, and the methodology used to determine a utility corporation's return on equity.
- The Legislature includes language to establish the Excelsior Power Program to provide consumer and data protections for volunteer participants in programs to reduce peak energy demand through remote operation of smart thermostats, and authorizes state-funded incentives for participation.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Department of State**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$842 million, an increase of \$114.4 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides an additional \$250,000 for the Authorities Budget Office.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides:
  - \$90 million for entities providing community-based programming, crisis intervention initiatives, housing assistance, economic development, workforce training, educational initiatives and healthcare services in underserved communities;
  - \$10 million for programs that assist non-citizens;
  - \$2.75 million for Public Utility Law Project (PULP);
  - \$2 million for NYS Immigration Coalition;
  - \$342,000 for the Doe Fund, Inc.;
  - \$250,000 for Caribbean Preparedness and Response, Inc.;
  - \$200,000 for BronxNet;
  - \$150,000 for the Capitol District Management Association, Inc.;
  - \$150,000 for Riseboro Community Partnership;
  - \$100,000 for Haitian Round Table;
  - \$75,000 for NY Legal Assistance Group, Inc; and
  - \$60,000 for H.A.S.T.E. Helps Inc. (Help Africa Save Their Children).

### **Capital Projects**

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

## Article VII

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to require operators of online platforms with certain features to implement default safety settings relating to minors, including restricting interactions with adults, limiting access to artificial intelligence companion features, and enabling parental controls over online spending.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit retail sellers from advertising a reduction in the price of an item unless the former price is the actual price of the product offered for sale to the public.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal requiring online platforms to preserve and apply provenance data to content created or modified by artificial intelligence systems.

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

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$533.2 million, an increase of \$5.6 million from the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides \$5.6 million to support utility rebate check distribution and to revise funding related to vapor enforcement activities.

### **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 Division of Tax Appeals**

The Legislature accepts the Executive proposal to provide an All Funds appropriation of \$4.7 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 \$13.9 billion an increase of \$91.3 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

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

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature provides \$374.5 million for upstate transit operating assistance, an increase of \$5 million over the Executive proposal. This reflects a \$25.1 million, or 7.2 percent, increase over last year.
- The Legislature provides \$750,000 for the South Fork Commuter Bus Service, a restoration of \$250,000.
- The Legislature includes \$6 million for the Verrazzano Narrows Bridge rebate program.
- A transfer will make \$3 million in funding available to the Thruway Authority to establish a resident toll discount program for Orange County residents for crossings of the Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge.
- The Legislature repurposes a \$250,000 reappropriation to conduct a feasibility and cost study for safety and transit enhancements on Lake Ave in the City of Rochester.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides \$698.1 million for the Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPs), an increase of \$50 million.
- The Legislature provides \$26 million for the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority light rail system.
- The Legislature provides \$4 million for the Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority incorporation of Yates County.

- The Legislature repurposes a \$2 million reappropriation to upgrade four locomotives owned by the New York and Atlantic Railway.

## **Article VII**

- The Legislature makes a technical modification to the Executive proposal to authorize Department of Transportation (DOT), the Thruway Authority, the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority, and the Bridge Authority to operate work zone speed cameras in work zones located on real property under their respective jurisdictions.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to expand existing penalties related to assault against certain transportation workers.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Urban Development Corporation**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.4 billion, an increase of \$856.2 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- Not applicable.

### **Aid to Localities**

- The Legislature restores \$5 million in support for participating arts and cultural venues of Alive Downtowns!, including:
  - \$1.2 million for Shea's Performing Arts Center in the City of Buffalo;
  - \$968,000 for Proctor's Theater in the City of Schenectady;
  - \$900,000 for the Rochester Broadway Theatre League;
  - \$300,000 for the Syracuse Area Landmark Theatre in the City of Syracuse;
  - \$300,000 for the Palace Performing Arts Center (Palace Theatre) in the City of Albany;
  - \$300,000 for the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Corporation in the City of Troy;
  - \$300,000 for the Ulster Performing Arts Center (d/b/a: the Bardavon 1869 Opera House) in the City of Kingston;
  - \$191,200 for the Bardavon 1869 Opera House in the City of Poughkeepsie;
  - \$120,600 for the Clemens Center in the City of Elmira;
  - \$120,600 for the Stanley Theatre 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 in the City of Jamestown.
- The Legislature provides \$250,000 in support for the following small arts and cultural organizations located outside of New York City:
  - \$50,000 for the City of Middletown Paramount Theatre;
  - \$50,000 for the Hudson Opera House (Hudson Hall);
  - \$50,000 for Hudson River Music Hall Productions (the Strand Theatre);
  - \$50,000 for Park Playhouse (the Cohoes Music Hall); and
  - \$50,000 for the Theatre of Youth Company.

- The Legislature restores \$250,000 in additional support for the Minority and Women Owned Business Development and Lending Program, for total support of \$885,000.
  
- The Legislature also provides funding for the following adds and restorations:
  - \$20 million in additional support for marketing and tourism related to the 2026 FIFA World Cup;
  - \$2 million for the Metropolitan Opera;
  - \$2 million for a study on the redevelopment of Roosevelt Island;
  - \$1.5 million for CenterState CEO;
  - \$1 million for a feasibility study of Harriman Campus;
  - \$1 million for SUNY Stony Brook Medicine’s National Cancer Institute;
  - \$1 million for the Weeksville Heritage Society;
  - \$750,000 for the Rochester Monroe County Anti-Poverty (RMAPI) Initiative;
  - \$700,000 for the Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation;
  - \$650,000 for Brooklyn Alliance;
  - \$650,000 for the Queens Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$500,000 for the Brooklyn Academy of Music;
  - \$500,000 for the FRESH Communities Erie County Pilot Program;
  - \$500,000 for the New York Philharmonic;
  - \$500,000 for the Richardson Olmstead Campus;
  - \$500,000 for various Legislative initiatives;
  - \$362,500 for the Bronx Museum of the Arts;
  - \$350,000 for the New Bronx Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$350,000 for the Syracuse Film Center;
  - \$300,000 for the Finger Lakes Tourism Alliance;
  - \$250,000 for the Hudson River Museum of Westchester;
  - \$250,000 for Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute’s (RPI) Seed to City (S2C) Initiative;
  - \$250,000 for the Western New York Law Center – Small Business Legal Clinic;
  - \$225,000 for the Plattsburgh-North Country Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$200,000 for the Arts Services Initiative of Western New York;
  - \$200,000 for the Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor Commission;
  - \$160,000 for the Queens Carnival;
  - \$150,000 for the Association of Community Employment Programs;
  - \$150,000 for the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$150,000 for the Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$150,000 for Harlem Week;
  - \$150,000 for the Historic Hudson Hoosic River Partnership;
  - \$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;

- \$140,000 for the Kingsbridge Riverdale Van Cortland Development Corporation;
  - \$125,000 for ArtsNYS (Empire Arts Cultural Convening);
  - \$100,000 for the Adirondack North Country Association;
  - \$100,000 for BRIC Arts;
  - \$100,000 for the Brooklyn Neighborhood Improvement Association;
  - \$100,000 for the Brooklyn Peace Center - Arts and Culture Collective;
  - \$100,000 for the Downtown Syracuse Foundation;
  - \$75,000 for the People’s Theatre Project;
  - \$75,000 for the Yonkers Downtown Waterfront Business Improvement District;
  - \$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 Central New York Ballet;
  - \$50,000 for the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$50,000 for the Cortland Area Chamber of Commerce;
  - \$50,000 for the Day of Independence Committee of Panamanians in New York;
  - \$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 Suffolk County Alliance of Chambers;
  - \$50,000 for the Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce; and
  - \$50,000 for the Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce.
- The Legislature makes a technical correction by reducing the appropriation for the NY Kicks program to \$1 million, for total operating and capital support of \$6 million.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature provides funding for the following adds and restorations:
  - \$175 million for Atlantic Yards;
  - \$175 million for the District Galleria;
  - \$115 million for the Oak Orchard Wastewater System;
  - \$100 million for FAST-NY;
  - \$50 million for the Restore NY Communities Initiative;
  - \$24 million for Feedmore Western New York;
  - \$20 million for the Hunts Point Meat Market;
  - \$20 million for Suffolk County Resilience Projects;
  - \$18 million for the Central New York Regional Market;

- \$12 million for the Southern Oswego County Regional Interceptor Sewer (SOCRIS);
  - \$10 million for the Center for Discover;
  - \$10 million for EverGreen Meadow Services;
  - \$10 million for redevelopment of the 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment Armory (Marcus Garvey Armory);
  - \$7.5 million for the Museum of the Moving Image;
  - \$6 million for Binghamton Stadium;
  - \$6 million for the Hamilton Hill Arts Center;
  - \$6 million for the Universal Hip Hop Museum;
  - \$5 million for the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry;
  - \$5 million for the Town of Amherst Cryogenics Facility;
  - \$5 million for the Westchester Arts Council (Arts Westchester);
  - \$4 million for the Boys and Girls Club of Northern Westchester;
  - \$4 million for the Garth Fagan Dance Center;
  - \$4 million for the Museum of Korean American Heritage;
  - \$4 million for the Town of Woodbury’s acquisition of St. Patrick’s Church;
  - \$4 million for the WE ACT for Environmental Justice Center;
  - \$3.5 million for flood mitigation in the Village of Freeport;
  - \$3 million for the CenterState CEO Inspyre Innovation Hub;
  - \$3 million for The Public Theater;
  - \$2 million for the Baden Street Settlement of Rochester;
  - \$2 million for the Brooklyn Children’s Museum; and
  - \$2 million for Ohel Children’s Home and Family Services.
- The Legislature also expands appropriation language for:
    - The Rochester-Monroe Transformation Initiative, to include support for public safety initiatives; and
    - Quantum Technology Commercialization Hubs, to specify that funding will be awarded competitively and will take into consideration regional balance.

## **Article VII**

- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to extend the authorization of the Urban Development Corporation to administer the Economic Development Fund for one year, to July 1, 2027.
- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to extend the general loan powers of the Urban Development Corporation for one year, to July 1, 2027.

- The Legislature includes the proposal that exempts the installation of backup generators used for certain sensitive manufacturing processes, and which have completed an environmental review, from having to go through the major electric generating facility siting process.
- The Legislature includes the proposal which ensures labor protections are applied to the Galleria Project in White Plains.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to authorize payments in lieu of taxes in connection with leases by the Brooklyn Marine Terminal Development Corporation for certain planned residential units.

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget**

### **Miscellaneous: Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental**

#### **Sustainable Future Program**

- The Legislature restores \$1 billion for the Sustainable Future Program and allocates the funding as follows:
  - \$500 million for greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects related to buildings, including:
    - \$150 million for the Empower Plus program;
    - \$150 million for thermal energy networks at public and state-owned buildings including the State University of New York and City University of New York, and for utility thermal energy networks;
    - \$150 million for emissions reductions programs administered by the Division of Housing and Community Renewal, including \$50 million for New York City Housing Authority and Mitchell-Lama projects and \$40 million for the Weatherization Assistance Program; and
    - \$50 million for the Clean Green Schools program.
  - \$300 million for renewable energy projects, including:
    - \$200 million for NY-SUN; and
    - \$100 million for renewable energy generation projects undertaken by the New York Power Authority (NYPA) as authorized by the Build Public Renewables Act.
  - \$75 million for zero emission transportation, including:
    - Electric school buses and supporting infrastructure;
    - Electric vehicle fast charging stations and supporting infrastructure, including for municipal, commercial, heavy duty, and fleet vehicles; and
    - The Charge Ready NY program.
  - \$50 million for methane reduction programs, including:
    - \$25 million for municipal waste reduction, recycling, and organics projects;
    - The Climate Resilient Farming program; and
    - Forestry programs including Regenerate NY, urban and community forests programs.

- Up to \$50 million for any of the above purposes.
- \$25 million for the Environmental Protection Fund, including \$12.5 million for Land Acquisition and \$12.5 million for Stewardship.

#### **Inflation Reduction Act Elective Pay Program**

- The Legislature modifies the appropriation language to include a reporting requirement.

#### **Hudson River Park Trust**

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

#### **New York Power Authority**

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

#### **Public Facilities Sustainability Program**

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

#### **Green Thumb**

- 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 Valley Greenway Communities Council**

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

# **Legislature & Judiciary**

## **By Agency**

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Legislature**

The Legislature provides an All Funds appropriation of \$316.2 million, an increase of \$4.5 million over the Executive proposal.

### **State Operations**

- The Legislature provides an additional \$4.5 million, primarily attributable to personal service increases.

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

- Not applicable.

### **Article VII**

- The Legislature includes language to extend 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 \$4.5 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**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to remove the 90/180 category from “serious injury” for individuals seeking to recover non-economic damages in a motor vehicle accident, bar recovery of a plaintiff if found to exceed 50% liability in motor vehicle accidents, and would cap non-economic damages at \$100,000 for bad actors who are found to be any percentage at-fault, if also not barred by modified comparative negligence, for the motor vehicle accident.
- The Legislature includes language to create ten additional judgeships for the New York City Civil Court, allocated among specified municipal court districts in the five boroughs, and provide for their election in November 2026.
- The Legislature includes language to allow judicial discretion to maintain jurisdiction over defendants in mental health court programs who fail to comply with requirements.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to establish a market-based interest rate on court judgments.
- The Legislature does not include the Executive proposal to allow a designated special witness to testify before a grand jury by video conference, provided the witness swears

they are alone and not using any materials, and would modify the procedures to introduce a business record as evidence in a grand jury proceeding.

# Debt Service

## **Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Debt Service/Capital Projects**

The Legislature accepts the Debt Service appropriation of \$10.6 billion. The Legislature provides All Funds Capital appropriations totaling \$23.5 billion, an increase of \$3.5 billion over the Executive.

### **State Operations**

- Not applicable.

### **Aid to Localities**

- Not applicable.

### **Capital Projects**

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$447.6 million in additional support for the Housing Capital Plan, including:
  - \$140 million for New York City Housing Authority;
  - \$85 million for Mitchell-Lama developments;
  - \$75 million for public housing outside of New York City;
  - \$40 million for land banks;
  - \$40 million for vacant units repair;
  - \$30 million for the Infill Housing Program;
  - \$10 million for the Small Rental Housing Development Initiative;
  - \$10 million for the USDA 515 Housing Preservation Program;
  - \$8 million for the Rosendale Green Social Housing Demonstration;
  - \$4 million for the Access to Home Program;
  - \$3 million for the Green Affordable Program; and
  - \$2.6 million for housing opportunities for the elderly.

- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to provide additional support for the following initiatives:
  - \$50 million for CHIPS/Other Local Funding, for a total of \$978 million;
  - \$40 million for New York State Council of the Arts, for a total of \$80 million;
  - \$29.1 million for CUNY community colleges, for a total of \$214.1 million;
  - \$10 million for library construction capital grants, for a total of \$44 million; and
  - \$5 million for animal shelters, for a total of \$10 million.
  
- The Legislature includes the following initiatives:
  - \$1 billion for the Sustainable Future Program;
  - \$385 million for CREST;
  - \$200 million for SUNY critical needs;
  - \$200 million for CUNY critical needs;
  - \$175 million for Atlantic Yards;
  - \$175 million for the District Galleria;
  - \$115 million for the Oak Orchard Wastewater System;
  - \$100 million for SUNY Research;
  - \$100 million for FAST-NY;
  - \$54 million for state office construction by OGS;
  - \$50 million for the Restore NY Communities Initiative;
  - \$40 million for Higher Education Capital;
  - \$26 million for Niagara Frontier Transfer Authority Rail;
  - \$24 million for Feedmore Western New York;
  - \$24 million for the Conklingville Dam;
  - \$20 million for NY SWIMS;
  - \$20 million for NY PLAYS;
  - \$20 million for Suffolk County resilience projects;
  - \$20 million for the Hunts Point Meat Market;
  - \$18 million for the Central New York Regional Market;
  - \$12.5 million for a water and wastewater treatment system in the Village of Tupper Lake;
  - \$12 million for the Southern Oswego County Regional Interceptor Sewer (SOCRIS);
  - \$20 million for the Volunteer Fire Infrastructure & Response Equipment (V-FIRE) Program;
  - \$10 million for the Center for Discovery;

- \$10 million for EverGreen Meadow Services;
  - \$10 million for Zoos, Botanical Garden, and Aquaria;
  - \$10 million for the Marcus Garvey Armory Development;
  - \$10 million for the Queens Botanical Gardens;
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  - \$4 million for the Rotterdam Commons;
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  - \$3.5 million for flood mitigation in the Village of Freeport;
  - \$3.3 million for the EQUAL Program;
  - \$3 million for the Centerstate CEO Inspyre Innovation Hub;
  - \$3 million for The Public Theater;
  - \$2 million for the Baden Street Settlement of Rochester;
  - \$2 million for the Brooklyn Children’s Museum; and
  - \$2 million for Ohel Children’s Home and Family Services.
- The Legislature further modifies the following bond caps:
    - Economic Development Initiatives increased from \$23.7 billion to \$26.5 billion;
    - Environmental Infrastructure increased from \$14.5 billion to \$17.8 billion;
    - Housing Programs increased from \$16.8 billion to \$18.1 billion;
    - CUNY Senior and Community Colleges increased from \$12.3 billion to \$13 billion
    - SUNY Education Facilities increased from \$20.9 billion to \$21.9 billion;
    - State Police Facilities increased from \$550.1 million to \$616.1 million;
    - CHIPs/Local Highways increased from \$15.8 billion to \$16.8 billion;
    - DOT Capital Plan increased from \$17 billion to \$18.6 billion;

- Homeland Security and Training Facilities increased from \$2.2 billion to \$2.5 billion; and
  - Library Facilities increased from \$455 million to \$499 million.
- The Legislature includes the following bond caps:
  - \$465 million for the Higher Education Capital Matching Grant Program, an increase of \$40 million; and
  - \$1.8 billion for SUNY Dormitory Projects, an increase of \$450 million.

## **Article VII**

- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to authorize the New York State 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 includes the Executive proposal to extend the role of the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to create certain subsidiaries for an additional two years, through July 1, 2028.
- The Legislature includes the Executive proposal to amend the Debt Reform Act to include refunding bonds in its debt calculations.
- The Legislature modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the permanent issuance of up to \$3 billion in short-term PIT notes, to instead extend the authorization for one year.