

2025-26
Assembly Budget Proposal

INTRODUCTION

Section 54 of the Legislative Law requires, among other things, a “comprehensive, cumulative report” to be made available to Members of the Assembly prior to action on budget bills advanced by the Governor. The following *“Summary of the Assembly Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget”* is prepared by Ways and Means Committee staff and is intended to provide a concise presentation of all additions, deletions, re-estimates and policy changes that are provided in the Assembly proposal, embodied in Assembly Resolution E. 183. The budget proposal of the Assembly Majority addresses each appropriation, as well as programmatic language that was first advanced in the Executive Budget.

OVERVIEW OF ASSEMBLY BUDGET PROPOSAL
State Fiscal Year 2025-26

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Table 1

NYS Assembly Disbursements - Difference from Executive					
(\$ in Millions)					
	SFY 2024-25 Close-Out	SFY 2025-26 Executive	SFY 2025-26 Assembly	\$ Difference	% Difference
General Funds	108,389	116,329	127,414	11,085	9.5%
State Operating Funds	133,336	143,804	147,945	4,141	2.9%
State Funds	147,050	161,196	165,337	4,141	2.6%
All Funds	243,381	252,025	256,527	4,502	1.8%

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 Assembly proposes an All Funds budget of \$256.5 billion for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025-26, which is \$4.5 billion or 1.8 percent over the Executive proposal. This increase is largely attributed to commitments to human services, Medicaid, School Aid, Higher Education, environment, and various other programs.

The Assembly All Funds receipts are projected at \$248.3 billion, which represents an increase of \$4.3 billion over the Executive, and an increase of \$1.6 billion or 0.6 percent above SFY 2024-25 estimates. This is mainly attributed to an \$6 billion increase in miscellaneous receipts and \$800 million from consensus revenue; partially offset by a \$5.1 billion decrease in federal receipts.

State Funds

State Funds spending consists of the General Fund, Debt Service Funds, Capital Projects Funds and Other State Funds. State Funds spending under the Assembly proposal is projected to total \$165.3 billion in SFY 2025-26, representing an increase of \$4.1 billion or 2.6 percent over the Executive estimate, and an increase of \$18.3 billion over SFY 2024-25.

The Assembly projects State Funds receipts in SFY 2025-26 will total \$154.4 billion, an increase of \$4.0 billion or 2.7 percent over the Executive, and an increase of \$3.6 billion or 2.4 percent from SFY 2024-25.

State Operating Funds

The State Operating fund 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 Assembly proposal assumes State Operating Funds spending of \$147.9 billion, an increase of \$4.1 billion or 2.9 percent over the Executive estimate, and an increase of \$14.6 billion or 10.9 percent over SFY 2024-25.

State Operating Funds receipts are estimated at \$141.6 billion, an increase of \$4 billion or 2.9 percent over the Executive; and a decrease of \$660 million or 0.5 percent decrease from SFY 2024-25.

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 2025-26 Assembly Financial Plan proposal projects that General Fund spending will total \$127.4 billion. The proposed spending is \$11.1 billion over the Executive proposal. This is largely attributed to the \$7 billion payment of the State's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund debt, and commitments to human services, Medicaid, School Aid, Higher Education, environment, and various programs.

The Assembly General Fund Spending represents an increase of \$19 billion or 17.6 percent from SFY 2024-25 estimated levels.

In SFY 2025-26, General Fund receipts are estimated to total nearly \$112.4 billion. The proposed Assembly receipts are \$3.2 billion or 2.9 percent below SFY 2024-25. The decrease in General Fund receipts is primarily due to a \$3.6 billion decline in federal receipts and a \$591 million decline in Personal Income Taxes (PIT), partially offset by a \$3.5 billion increase in business tax collections.

Table 2

Financial Plan Summary			
(\$ in Millions)			
	SFY 2024-25	SFY 2025-26	
		Current Estimate	Executive Proposal
State Operating Funds Disbursements			
Size of Budget	133,336	143,804	147,945
Annual Growth	3.8%	7.85%	11.0%
Other Budget Measure (Annual Growth)			
General Fund (Including Transfers)	108,389	116,329	127,414
Annual Growth	8.3%	7.3%	17.6%
Capital Budget (Federal and State)	17,032	21,184	21,184
Annual Growth	15.8%	24.4%	24.4%
Federal Operating Aid	93,013	87,037	87,398
Annual Growth	1.4%	-6.4%	-6.0%
All Governmental Funds	243,381	252,025	256,527
Annual Growth	3.6%	3.6%	5.4%
Inflation (CPI) Growth	3.0%	2.7%	2.8%
All Funds Receipts			
Taxes	113,151	112,098	116,086
Miscellaneous receipts	32,755	38,740	38,740
Federal grants	98,502	93,091	93,452
Total Receipts	244,408	243,929	248,278
General Fund Cash Balance			
	53,456	45,685	38,404
Tax Stabilization/Rainy Day Reserves	8,756	9,756	9,756
Extraordinary Monetary Settlements	690	413	413
Economic Uncertainties	12,847	11,347	7,271
All Other Reserves/Fund Balances	31,163	24,169	20,964
Debt			
Debt Service (excluding prepayments) as % All Funds			
Receipts	2.6%	2.7%	1.5%
State Related Debt Outstanding	56,552	65,090	65,090
Debt Outstanding as % Personal Income	3.3%	3.7%	2.9%

Assembly Actions on Executive Budget

The Assembly proposal is estimated to spend a net \$11.1 billion more than the Executive on a State Operating Funds basis, a 7.7 percent increase in total State Operating spending over the Executive Budget.

Table 3

Financial Plan Summary SFY 2025-26 (\$ in Millions)				
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>State Operating Funds</u>	<u>State Funds</u>	<u>All Funds</u>
Executive Opening Balance	53,456	63,196	62,408	69,232
Assembly Opening Balance	53,456	63,196	62,408	69,232
EXECUTIVE RECEIPTS	108,558	137,661	150,432	243,929
<i>Tax Avails</i>	4,594	4,594	4,594	4,594
<i>Tax Cuts</i>	(1,920)	(1,807)	(1,807)	(1,807)
<i>Misc. Receipts/Fees</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>Sweeps</i>	(70)	0	0	0
<i>Tax & Misc Rec Reestimates</i>	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Federal				361
Assembly Receipts	112,362	141,649	154,420	248,278
Change in Receipts	3,804	3,988	3,988	4,349
Executive Disbursements	116,329	143,804	161,196	252,025
<i>Spending Addition</i>	11,144	4,202	4,202	4,572
<i>Spending Reduction</i>	(59)	(62)	(62)	(70)
Assembly Disbursement	127,414	147,945	165,337	256,527
Change in Disbursements	11,085	4,141	4,141	4,502
Assembly Other Financing Changes	0	(2,600)	1,851	(965)
Assembly Change in Fund Balance	(15,052)	(8,896)	(9,067)	(9,214)
Assembly Closing Fund Balance	38,404	54,300	53,341	60,018

As part of the revenue consensus process, the Assembly agreed to increase the two-year revenue forecast by \$800 million. The Assembly proposal provides various tax relief actions that decrease net General Fund PIT revenues by \$1.8 billion in SFY 2025-26 compared to the Executive

proposal. Major actions include providing a 1 percent low- and moderate-income tax cut and implementing an enhanced Child Tax Credit for SFY 2025-26.

Reserves

Table 4

SFY 2025-26 Estimated General Fund Closing Balance		
(\$ in Millions)		
	Executive	Assembly
Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund	1,618	1,618
Statutory Rainy Day Reserve Fund	8,138	8,138
Contingency Reserve Fund	21	21
Community Projects Fund	25	25
Subtotal Statutory Reserves	9,802	9,802
Reserved for Timing of PIT/PTET Credits	13,774	16,819
Reserved for Debt Management	1,000	1,000
Reserved for Labor Settlements/Agency Operations	3,099	3,099
Settlement Funds	413	413
Subtotal Budgetary Reserves	18,286	21,331
Reserved for Economic Uncertainty	11,347	7,271
Undesignated Fund Balance	6,250	(0)
Subtotal Undesignated Reserves	17,597	7,271
Total General Fund Closing Balance	45,685	38,404

The Assembly Budget estimates a closing fund balance of \$38 billion in reserves at the end of SFY 2025-26, a \$7.3 billion decrease from the Executive proposal. This is primarily attributed to the use of the undesignated fund balance.

Emergency Appropriations

- The Assembly modifies the Special Emergency appropriation by reducing the amount from \$2 billion to \$1 billion.

Appropriations Preamble Language

The Assembly does not include language in the preamble of the State Operations and Aid to Localities bills that would provide authority for the Division of the Budget to:

- credit refunded amounts back to an original appropriation and reduce expenditures in the year the credit is received;
- require the Legislature to act on the Aid to Localities bill prior to the State Operations bill; and
- increase or decrease by interchange or transfer without limit, the amount of any state operations appropriations with any other appropriation of any department, agency or public authority.

Table 5

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN				
ALL FUNDS				
Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2024-25 vs Assembly Plan 2025-26				
(\$ in millions)				
	2024-25 Estimated Closeout	2025-26 Legislative Plan	Annual \$ Change	% Change from 24-25 to 25-26
Opening fund balance	65,912	69,232	3,320	5.0%
Receipts:				
Taxes	115,419	116,086	667	0.6%
Miscellaneous receipts	32,755	38,740	5,985	18.3%
Federal grants	98,502	93,452	(5,050)	(5.1%)
Total Receipts	246,676	248,278	1,602	0.6%
Disbursements:				
Local Assistances and Grants	192,239	201,715	9,476	4.9%
State operations	26,727	28,137	1,410	5.3%
General State charges	10,759	11,402	643	6.0%
Debt service	3,163	2,318	(845)	(26.7%)
Capital projects	10,493	12,956	2,463	23.5%
Total Disbursements	243,381	256,527	13,146	5.4%
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other funds	60,771	64,261	3,490	5.7%
Transfers to other funds	(61,015)	(65,593)	(4,578)	7.5%
Bond and note proceeds	269	367	98	36.4%
Net other financing sources (uses)	25	(965)	(990)	(3958.0%)
Deposit to/(use of) Community Projects Fund	0			
Deposit to/(use of) Prior Year Reserves	0			
Deposit to/(use of) Debt Reduction Reserve	0			
Change in fund balance	3,320	(9,214)		
Closing fund balance	69,232	60,018		

Table 6

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN STATE FUNDS Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2024-25 vs Assembly Plan 2025-26 (\$ in millions)				
	2024-25 Estimated Closeout	2025-26 Legislative Plan	Annual \$ Change	% Change from 24-25 to 25-26
Opening fund balance	55,332	62,408	7,076	12.8%
Receipts:				
Taxes	115,419	116,086	667	0.6%
Miscellaneous receipts	31,719	38,281	6,562	20.7%
Federal grants	3,701	53	(3,648)	(98.6%)
Total Receipts	150,839	154,420	3,581	2.4%
Disbursements:				
Local Assistance and Grants	102,196	115,941	13,745	13.4%
State operations	23,036	25,608	2,572	11.2%
General State charges	10,363	11,005	642	6.2%
Debt service	3,163	2,318	(845)	(26.7%)
Capital projects	8,292	10,466	2,174	26.2%
Total Disbursements	147,050	165,337	18,287	12.4%
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other funds	60,748	64,238	3,490	5.7%
Transfers to other funds	(57,730)	(62,755)	(5,025)	8.7%
Bond and note proceeds	269	367	98	36.4%
Net other financing sources (uses)	3,287	1,851	(1,437)	(43.7%)
Deposit to/(use of) Community Projects Fund	0	0		
Deposit to/(use of) Prior Year Reserves	0	0		
Deposit to/(use of) Debt Reduction Reserve				
Change in fund balance	7,076	(9,067)		
Closing fund balance	62,408	53,341		

Table 7

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN STATE OPERATING FUNDS Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2024-25 vs Assembly Plan 2025-26 (\$ in millions)				
	2024-25 Estimated Closeout	2025-26 Legislative Plan	Annual \$ Change	% Change from 24-25 to 25-26
Opening fund balance	56,077	63,196	7,119	12.7%
Receipts:				
Taxes	113,932	114,623	691	0.6%
Miscellaneous receipts	24,680	26,978	2,298	9.3%
Federal grants	3,696	48	(3,648)	(98.7%)
Total Receipts	142,308	141,649	(660)	(0.5%)
Disbursements:				
Local Assistance	96,774	109,015	12,241	12.6%
State operations	23,036	25,608	2,572	11.2%
General State charges	10,363	11,005	642	6.2%
Debt service	3,163	2,318	(845)	(26.7%)
Capital projects	0	0	0	0.0%
Total Disbursements	133,336	147,945	14,609	10.96%
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other funds	55,446	59,357	3,911	7.1%
Transfers to other funds	(57,299)	(61,957)	(4,658)	8.1%
Bond and note proceeds	0	0	0	
Net other financing sources (uses)	(1,853)	(2,600)	(747)	40.3%
Deposit to/(use of) Community Projects Fund	0	0		
Deposit to/(use of) Prior Year Reserves	0	0		
Deposit to/(use of) Debt Reduction Reserve	0			
Change in fund balance	7,119	(8,896)		
Closing fund balance	63,196	54,300		

Table 8

CASH FINANCIAL PLAN				
GENERAL FUND				
Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2024-25 vs Assembly Plan 2025-26				
(\$ in millions)				
	<u>2024-25 Estimated</u> <u>Closeout</u>	<u>2025-26</u> <u>Legislative Plan</u>	<u>Annual \$</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>% Change</u> <u>from 24-25 to</u> <u>25-26</u>
Opening fund balance	46,331	53,456	7,125	15.4%
Receipts:				
Taxes				
Personal Income Tax	29,028	28,438	(591)	(2.0%)
User taxes and fees	10,108	10,405	297	2.9%
Business taxes	17,978	21,502	3,524	19.6%
Other taxes	1,398	1,462	64	4.6%
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,633	4,112	(521)	(11.2%)
Federal grants	3,645	0	(3,645)	(100.0%)
Transfers from other funds				
- PIT Revenue Bond	28,314	27,532	(783)	(2.8%)
- PTET Revenue Bond	7,984	6,734	(1,250)	(15.7%)
- ECEP Revenue Bond	8	8	0	0.0%
- LGAC	0	0	0	0.0%
- Sales Tax	8,963	9,015	52	0.6%
- RETT	903	890	(13)	(1.4%)
- All other	2,552	2,266	(286)	(11.2%)
Total Receipts	115,514	112,362	(3,152)	(2.7%)
Disbursements:				
Local Assistance	76,603	86,297	9,694	12.7%
State operations	13,484	15,622	2,138	15.9%
General State charges	9,116	9,712	596	6.5%
Transfers to other funds				
- Debt service	277	300	23	8.3%
- Capital projects	4,922	4,439	(483)	(9.8%)
- State Share Medicaid	0	0	0	0.0%
- SUNY Operations	1,739	1,864	125	7.2%
- Other purposes	2,248	9,180	6,932	308.4%
Total Disbursements	108,389	127,414	19,025	17.6%
Change in fund balance	7,125	(15,052)		
Closing fund balance	53,456	38,404		

Revenue

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 23 of the State Finance Law, the Director of the Budget, the Secretary of the Senate Finance Committee, and the Secretary of the Ways and Means Committee are required to issue a joint report containing a consensus economic forecast and revenue estimate, no later than March 1st.

If there is a failure to issue a consensus report, the State Comptroller is required, no later than March 5th, to provide estimates of available revenues for the current and upcoming fiscal year.

The Executive and the Legislature reached consensus and provides the following update:

ECONOMIC AND REVENUE CONSENSUS REPORT FY 2026

This report contains the results of the consensus economic and revenue forecasting process conducted by the Executive and the Legislature in advance of the enactment of the FY 2026 Budget, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 309 of the Laws of 1996.

The Consensus Forecasting Conference was held on February 27, 2025. Based on the testimony of experts at the Conference, the baseline outlook for both the economy and revenue appears to be moderate growth for calendar year 2025, following continued economic resilience in 2024. The economy faces downside risks in the coming year from expected changes to domestic tax, trade, immigration and fiscal policies, and worldwide uncertainties.

Economic Forecast Review

The economic forecasts contained in the Executive Budget and Legislative reports portray continued but moderating growth in national and State economies for 2025. It is important to note that all parties' forecasts were completed prior to the February 27th Consensus Forecasting Conference.

All parties agree that the national economy, as measured by inflation-adjusted Gross Domestic Product, will expand at a slower pace in 2025, following growth of 2.8 percent in 2024. The consensus forecast for U.S. real GDP growth for 2025 is 2.2 percent, followed by growth of 2.0 percent for 2026.

All parties expect national employment growth to slow down. The consensus forecast calls for employment growth of 1.1 percent in 2025 and 0.6 percent in 2026, following an increase of 1.4 percent in 2024. All parties expect inflation to remain elevated for 2025, as measured by the

Consumer Price Index. All parties consent to an inflation rate projection of 2.7 percent for 2025 and 2026. Consistent with expectations pertaining to both employment and inflation, all parties consent to a wage growth projection of 4.6 percent for 2025 and 4.3 percent for 2026, following growth of 5.9 percent in 2024. Similarly, all parties consent to a personal income growth projection of 4.5 percent for 2025 and 2026, following growth of 5.5 percent in 2024. The consensus forecast for U.S. corporate profits, with capital consumption and inventory valuation adjustments included, calls for 2.6 percent growth in 2025 with an increase of 4.1 percent in 2026. All parties agree that the yearly yield on 3-month Treasury bills will average 3.9 percent in 2025 and 3.3 percent in 2026, based on the parties’ baseline forecast assumptions.

CONSENSUS U.S. FORECAST		
CALENDAR YEAR		
Percent Change		
	<u>CY2025</u>	<u>CY2026</u>
REAL GDP	2.2	2.0
PERSONAL INCOME	4.5	4.5
WAGES	4.6	4.3
CORP PROFITS	2.6	4.1
NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1.1	0.6
3-MONTH T-BILL RATE	3.9	3.3
CPI	2.7	2.7

The parties agree that payroll employment in New York State will increase by 0.8 percent in FY 2026 following a 1.4 percent increase in FY 2025. The consensus forecast for personal income growth is 4.2 percent for FY 2026 following 5.3 percent for FY 2025. The consensus forecast calls for wage growth of 4.1 percent for FY 2026, following an increase of 5.8 percent for FY 2025.

CONSENSUS N.Y. FORECAST		
FISCAL YEAR		
Percent Change		
	<u>FY 2025</u>	<u>FY 2026</u>
NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1.4	0.8
PERSONAL INCOME	5.3	4.2
WAGES	5.8	4.1
Note: The Senate and Assembly Minority construct their personal income and wage series based on BEA data, whereas all other parties use NYS Department of Labor QCEW data; the two series can deviate substantially from one another.		

All parties agree that while the risks of an imminent recession may be low, the heightened degree of economic and policy uncertainty as well as a weaker or more volatile equity market could trigger layoffs that would slow employment and wage growth further in FY 2026. Likewise, sustained inflationary pressures have not abated and could hinder economic growth.

Risks to both the national and the New York forecasts also stem from monetary and fiscal policy actions. Uncertainty relating to Federal spending, trade and immigration policy, and deregulation could reduce business investment, hiring, and consumer spending. Persistently high inflation and the timing of monetary policy actions to lower it could impact economic activity. All parties identify the financial market outlook as critical for the health of the State economy and the underlying tax base. In addition, the persistence of domestic outmigration presents a long-term risk to the New York State economy.

Revenue Forecast Review

Section 23 of the State Finance Law defines receipts subject to consensus as the combined total of All Funds tax receipts, General Fund miscellaneous receipts, and lottery revenues. The revenue estimates from all parties for FY 2025 and projections for FY 2026 exhibited significant variance, but participants reached consensus on a two-year revenue total range that is \$550 million to \$800 million above the Executive Budget estimate.

SFY 2025-26 Assembly Tax and Revenue Proposals

- **Part A — Enact a One-Time Inflation Refund:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to create a one-time \$3 billion inflation refund credit for taxpayers filing jointly with incomes below \$300,000, or incomes below \$150,000 for single filers. Eligible taxpayers filing jointly would receive a \$500 credit, and eligible single filers would receive a \$300 credit. The credit would be provided as an advanced payment in the fall of 2025, and would be based on 2023 tax year income.
- **Part B — Provide a Middle Class Tax Cut and Extend the Temporary Personal Income Tax (PIT) High Income Surcharge for Five Years:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide a phased-in 0.2 percent tax cut for certain taxpayers with incomes below \$323,200, to instead provide an immediate 1 percent tax cut. Additionally, the Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the current PIT Surcharge for high-income earners for an additional five years, through tax year 2032, by increasing the tax rates on such high-income earners.
- **Part C — Enhance the Empire State Child Credit for Three Years:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide a three-year phased-in enhancement to the Child Tax Credit, to instead provide the full benefits immediately for Tax Year 2025.
- **Part D — Extend and Double Low-Income Housing Credits:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the State’s low income housing tax credit for four years, through 2029, and to increase the yearly aggregate amount allocable by \$30 million each year beginning in 2025. The proposal would also allow buildings financed by certain refunded bonds to qualify for the credit.
- **Part E — Amend the State Historic Property Tax Credits:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal, which exempts certain affordable housing projects from current geographic limitations under the program and allows for the transferability of credits if approved by the Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, to include annual reporting requirements.
- **Part F — Waiting Period Restriction and Limit Deductions on Institutional Real Estate Investors:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to prohibit certain institutional investors from purchasing a single or two-family home in the first 75 days it is on the market. The modifications will increase the waiting period from 75 days to 90 days; decrease the threshold as to what constitutes an institutional real estate investor to \$5 million; add language to ensure LLCs are captured along with any subsidiaries of

institutional real estate investors; require the Attorney General to receive compliance forms and provide that forms shall be filed with the county clerk's office upon completion of the sale; establish a 10 percent fee of the final purchase price; and provide when the Department of State adopts a cease and desist zone applicable to real estate sales solicitations, all owners of residential real property located in the zone shall be placed on the Cease and Desist list with an option to opt-out of such list.

- Part G — Intentionally Omitted.
- **Part H — Extend and Amend the Excelsior Jobs Program:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Excelsior Jobs program for ten years, from 2029 to 2039, and make various other changes to the program, including providing new and enhanced benefits for certain semiconductor supply chain and semiconductor manufacturing projects, by:
 - extending the program for five years instead of ten;
 - rejecting the language to establish a new Semiconductor Manufacturing Workforce Training program, and instead maintain, and include semiconductor manufacturing projects, in the existing Employee Training Incentive program;
 - add additional eligibility requirements for a semiconductor supply chain project and a semiconductor manufacturing project ; and
 - clarify that a certain amount of jobs must be maintained under the Jobs Retention Tax Credit Program.
- **Part I — Extend and Amend the Film Tax Credit:** The Assembly accepts the Executive language to extend the Empire State Film Production and Post-production Credits for an additional two years, through 2036; remove the tiered payout structure for new applicants; establish an enhanced credit for certain recurring productions; remove certain restrictions on above-the-line qualified costs; and create a new \$100 million Empire State Independent Film Production program. However, the Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to allow above-the-line expenses to be calculated within the post-production credit, as well as the language to mandate a 6.85 percent withholding tax requirement on all payments made to a loan-out company.
- **Part J — Make a Technical Change to the Newspaper and Broadcast Media Jobs Program:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to make a technical amendment to the Newspaper and Broadcast Media Jobs Tax Credit program, to clarify that the

\$300,000 credit cap applies to each eligible subsidiary or affiliate of a parent company, and not the parent company and its subsidiaries or affiliates combined.

- **Part K — Amend the Digital Gaming Media Production Credit Program:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to allow the unused portion of the current \$5 million aggregate annual cap of tax credits allowed under the Digital Gaming Media Production Credit Program, to be carried forward and added to the aggregate amount of credits available in future years.
- **Part L — Extend the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Credit for Two Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to increase the aggregate annual cap on the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Tax Credit, from \$300 million to \$400 million, and to extend the initial application deadline for two years, through 2027.
- **Part M — Clarify Taxpayer Notification and Protest Rights:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to establish that the use of the Department’s Online Services System (OLS) by a taxpayer to access tax information related to them does not confer protest rights before the Division of Tax Appeals (DTA). The proposal would also establish that notices through the OLS system related to past-due fixed and final liabilities do not confer hearing rights before the DTA.
- **Part N — Improve the Tax Warrant Process:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to establish that the filing of a tax warrant at the Department of State by the Department of Taxation and Finance (DTF) establishes the State’s lien priority, instead of the filing of a tax warrant at the county clerk where tax debtor owns real property. DTF would still be required to file a copy of such warrant with the clerk of the county named in the warrant.
- **Part O — Simplify the STAR Income Definition:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to make various changes to the income and age eligibility rules for the STAR Program, including proposals to:
 - require only one of the residents of a property to be 65 years or older to qualify for Enhanced STAR, if otherwise eligible;
 - clarify income eligibility rules so only the income of the owners who primarily reside on the property is considered;
 - allow property owners who are not required to file income tax returns to maintain their benefit without the need to file income verification worksheets, if they were eligible based on such worksheets for three consecutive years;
 - set July 1st as the residency date for STAR credit income eligibility purposes, instead December 31st under current law; and

- clarify the eligibility determination process and protest provisions so they conform for all variations of the STAR program
- Part P — Intentionally Omitted.
- Part Q — Intentionally Omitted.
- **Part R — Increase the Article 9-A Estimated Tax Threshold:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to increase the threshold at which corporation tax filers are required to make estimated tax payments, from \$1,000 to \$5,000, to clarify that this would apply to tax years beginning January 1, 2026.
- **Part S — Establish a Tax Credit for Organ Donation:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to replace the existing tax deduction for unreimbursed organ donation expenses not reimbursed by a donor’s health insurance with a refundable tax credit of up to \$10,000 for such expenses.
- **Part T — Make Permanent the Estate Tax Three-Year Gift Addback Rule:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to make permanent the requirement that gifts that are taxable for federal gift tax purposes and that are made within three years of death, are taxable for State purposes, to instead extend such provisions for six years.
- **Part U — Expand the Credit for Employment of Persons with Disabilities:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to increase the maximum credit allowed under the Employment of Persons with Disabilities program from \$2,100 to \$5,000 per qualified employee.
- **Part V — Reporting of Federal Partnership Adjustments:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to establish reporting requirements for partnerships that were subject to federal partnership audit changes or administrative adjustment requests, and require the payment of any resulting tax due to the State, by making a technical clarification.
- **Part W — Eliminate NYC Personal Income Tax (PIT) for Certain Filers:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to establish a PIT credit for certain low- and middle-income New York City (NYC) taxpayers with at least one dependent. The credit would eliminate NYC PIT liability completely for taxpayers with incomes below the “eligibility threshold”, which would be calculated based on the number of dependents of the taxpayer. For taxpayers who exceed the eligibility threshold by \$5,000 or less, who would otherwise apply, the credit amount would be calculated on a sliding scale.
- Part X – Intentionally Omitted.

- **Part Y — Extend the Clean Heating Fuel Credit for Three Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the expiration dates for corporate and personal income tax credits available for purchasing bio-heating fuel for residential purposes for three years, from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2029.
- **Part Z — Extend the Alternative Fuels and Electric Vehicle Recharging Property Credit for Three Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the alternative fuels and electric vehicle recharging property credit for three years, from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2029.
- **Part AA — Extend the Sales Tax Vending Machine Exemption for One Year:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing sales tax exemption for certain vending machine purchases for one year, through May 31, 2026.
- **Part BB — Extend the Workers with Disabilities Tax Credit for Three Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Workers with Disabilities Tax Credit for an additional three years, through 2028.
- **Part CC — Extend the Hire a Vet Credit for Three Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Hire-A-Vet Credit for an additional three years, through 2028.
- **Part DD — Extend the Musical and Theatrical Production Credit for Four Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Musical and Theatrical Production credit for regions outside of New York City, for an additional four years, until January 1, 2030.
- **Part EE — Extend the Financial Institution Data Match System for Five Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend for five years current provisions authorizing the Department of Taxation and Finance to use the financial institution data match system for the State collection of past-due fixed and final tax debts, as well as allows the Department to serve warrantless income executions on individual tax debtors and if necessary, on the employers of such debtors. These present law provisions are otherwise scheduled to expire on April 1, 2025.
- **Part FF — Amend and Simplify the Pari-Mutuel Tax (PMT) Rate Structure:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to remove language replacing the existing pari-mutuel tax (PMT) structure with a simplified flat tax rate on live racing handle; remove language

allowing potential future agreements between racing entities on the distribution of revenues to supersede existing provisions of law; establish that winning bets will be rounded to the nearest five cents; and extend certain PMT provisions for one year.

- **Part GG — Temporarily Extend the Lowered Casino Tax Rates:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the reduced tax rate on slot machine gross gaming revenues from April 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028, for commercial casinos in Zone Two, to instead extend such provisions until June 30, 2031. Additionally, the Assembly includes language to ensure certain conditions are met in order for a licensed gaming facility located in the Tioga County region of zone five to maintain the reduced rate.
- **Part HH — Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain Off-Track Betting Corporation for One Year:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend Capital Off-Track Betting Corporation’s authorization to use Capital Acquisition Funds to accept authorized wagers and meet statutory and contractual obligations by one year.
- **Part II — Conduct a Study of the Thoroughbred Fetlock Joint Injury Detection Through Advanced Imaging:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to fund a three-year thoroughbred injury detection and prevention study by the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine of the fetlock joint through advanced imaging to clarify that upon conclusion of the study, Cornell would own any screening and imaging capital equipment purchased; clarify that excess money from the study would be deposited into the racing regulation account; require Cornell to release an annual report on the study’s findings; specify that the research be conducted locations proximate to Belmont Park and Saratoga racetracks; and specify that the New York Racing Association’s (NYRA) expenditure of \$2 million be used for the exclusive purchase of screening and imaging capital equipment.
- **Part JJ — Establish the New York Works Tax Credit (NYWTC):** The Assembly includes language to establish a new NYWTC, beginning in Tax Year 2026. This new credit would consolidate the existing Empire State Child Tax Credit, the state Earned-Income Tax Credit (EITC), and the dependent exemption into one combined credit for most taxpayers. The credit amount would vary based on income, with a maximum credit amount of \$550 in year one, rising to \$1,600 when fully implemented. Additionally, the proposal would:
 - include children aged 17;
 - eliminate the earned income requirement under the existing state Child Tax Credit, allowing lower-income families to receive a higher benefit;
 - include taxpayers with an Individual Identification Number (ITIN); and
 - make the credit advanceable beginning in year four.

- **Part KK— LIFT New York Tax Credit:** The Assembly includes language to establish a new personal income tax credit for certain low- and moderate-income New York taxpayers with at least one dependent. This new PIT credit would eliminate New York State PIT liability completely for certain taxpayers with incomes below the “eligibility threshold”, which would be calculated based on the number of taxpayer’s dependents. For taxpayers with dependents who exceed the eligibility threshold by \$5,000 or less, the credit amount would be calculated on a sliding scale.
- **Part LL — New York City Renters Tax Credit:** The Assembly includes language to establish a new \$275 million personal income tax credit program for certain New York City renters with incomes under \$200,000. The credit would be calculated on a sliding scale, with a maximum amount of \$750.
- **Part MM — Clarify Eligibility Under the Farm Worker Overtime Credit:** The Assembly includes language to ensure certain farm operations that use a third-party entity to handle payroll are eligible for the Farm Worker Overtime Credit.
- **Part NN — Increase and Extend Enhanced Article 9-A Tax Rates:** The Assembly includes language to extend the current 7.25 percent tax rate for certain corporate franchise taxpayers with a business income base of at least \$5 million for an additional three years, through tax year 2029, and increase such rate to 9.25 percent for certain taxpayers with a business income base of at least \$10 million, also through tax year 2029.
- **Part OO — Enhance the Small Business Subtraction Modification:** The Assembly includes language to increase the current small business subtraction modification from 15 to 25 percent of net income.
- **Part PP — Small Business Hardship Savings Accounts:** The Assembly includes language to allow qualified small businesses with fewer than 25 employees, to make contributions, up to 10 percent of net income, into a tax-deferred savings account. During times of specified economic hardship, these small businesses would be able to withdraw from the account tax-free for purposes of job retention or creation.
- **Part QQ — Establish the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC):** The Assembly includes language to establish a \$30 million tax credit program for employers who hire and pay wages to State residents who are members of certain “targeted groups”, including veterans, formerly incarcerated individuals, and long-term unemployment recipients. This new program would be in effect for three years, beginning in Tax Year 2025.

- **Part RR – Farm Workforce Retention Credit:** The Assembly includes language to extend the Farm Workforce Retention Credit for three years, from January 1, 2026 until January 1, 2029.
- **Part SS — Establish a Commercial Energy Storage Systems Sales Tax Exemption:** The Assembly includes language to exempt commercial energy storage systems from the State’s four percent sales tax for two years, beginning June 1, 2025. To maintain conformity, the proposal would also extend the existing residential energy storage systems sales tax exemption for an additional year, until June 1, 2027.
- **Part TT — Cannabis Processor Annual Tax Filing:** The Assembly includes language to allow cannabis processors the option to file annual sales tax returns, instead of quarterly returns under current law.
- **Part UU — Vapor Products Wholesale Tax:** The Assembly includes language to impose a 20 percent tax on the wholesale price of vapor products at the distributor level, which would replace the current 20 percent tax rate at the retail level. The proposal would also provide the Department of Taxation and Finance with expanded enforcement authority relating to vapor products.
- **Part VV — Enhance the Residential Solar Tax Credit:** The Assembly includes language to increase the current max credit amount allowed under the residential solar tax credit program from \$5,000 to \$10,000, and provide that the credit would be fully refundable for certain low- and moderate-income households.
- **Part WW — Pass-Through Manufacturer Tax Parity:** The Assembly includes language to eliminate the income tax on distributions made to shareholders of certain pass-through corporations.
- **Part XX – Western OTB Tax Rate:** The Assembly includes language to reduce the current tax rate on net win for the Batavia Down Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) facility.
- **Part YY – Increase Real Estate Transfer Tax (RETT) into the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF):** The Assembly includes language to increase the current statutory amount of RETT collections that must be deposited into the EPF, from \$257 million to \$357 million.
- ELFA Part K — Intentionally Omitted.
- ELFA Part M — Intentionally Omitted.
- PPGG Part S — Intentionally Omitted.

Executive Revenue Proposals that are not Included

- **Part G — Establish the Companies Attracting Talent to Advance Leading Innovations and Scale Technologies “CATALIST” NY Program:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish the CATALIST NY Program, which would allow certain small businesses that have completed a NYS incubator program to provide a Personal Income Tax benefit for up to eight newly hired full time employees.
- **Part P — Eliminate Duplicative IDA Sales Tax Exemption Reporting Requirement:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to eliminate the requirement for agents and project operators appointed by Industrial Development Agencies (IDAs) to annually report the value of all state and local sales use taxes exempted during the preceding calendar year. IDAs would still be required to report such information the Authorities Budget Office and the State Comptroller.
- **Part Q — Enact Pass Through Entity Tax Flexibility:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal extend the deadline for entities to elect to pay the Pass-Through-Entity-Tax (PTET) from March 15th to September 15th of the applicable tax year and make conforming changes to estimated payment deadlines.
- **Part X — Amend the NYC Relocation and Employment Assistance Program:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the New York City Relocation and Employment Assistance Program (REAP) for five years, until July 1, 2030; or the proposal to establish a new three-year Relocation Assistance Credit Per Employee (RACE) program, which would provide tax credits to certain out-of-state businesses that relocate to eligible buildings by July 1, 2028. The Assembly will continue to explore options that would create a single business relocation tax incentive program to attract out-of-state businesses into both Lower Manhattan and New York City at-large.
- **ELFA Part K — Create an Affordable Homebuyer Tax Exemption:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish a partial real property tax exemption for certain residential properties that are built with the help of nonprofits, community land trusts, land banks, or governmental entities and sold or leased to qualified low-income households. The exemption would be at local option, and the property would be required to be used as the primary residence for households with incomes of up to 80 percent of Area Median Income.
- **ELFA Part M — Expand Availability of Redevelopment of Inhibited Property Exemption:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize municipalities across the State to opt-in to the current Redevelopment of Inhibited Property Tax Exemption,

for the redevelopment of certain vacant, abandoned, or blighted residential properties. The proposal would also amend the current exemption, to allow certain one- to four-unit buildings to be eligible for the exemption.

- **PPGG Part S — Amend the New York City Industrial and Commercial Abatement Program (ICAP):** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to remove parking facilities from eligibility under the New York City Industrial and Commercial Abatement Program (ICAP), designate Governor’s Island as a special commercial abatement area under the program, and decouple the ICAP program from the energy rates demand curve reset period.

Other Revenue Proposals

- The Assembly supports efforts to reinstate the New York City sales tax for interior decorating services.

Fiscal Impact - Assembly Revenue Proposals
(\$ in Millions)

Part	Proposal	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
A	Enact a One-Time Inflation Refund	(3,080)	-	-	-
B	Provide a Middle-Class Tax Cut and Extend the Temporary Personal Income Tax (PIT) High Income Surcharge for Five Years	(1,897)	(1,143)	(1,063)	2,174
C	Enhance the Empire State Child Credit for Three Years	(825)	-	-	-
D	Extend and Double the Low-Income Housing Credits	-	(15)	(45)	(75)
E	Amend the State Historic Property Tax Credits	-	-	-	-
F	Waiting Period Restriction and Limit Deductions on Institutional Real Estate Investors	-	6	7	7
H	Extend and Amend the Excelsior Jobs Program	-	-	-	-
I	Extend and Amend the Film Tax Credit	-	(111)	(115)	(115)
J	Make a Technical Change to the Newspaper and Broadcast Media Jobs Program	-	-	-	-
K	Amend the Digital Gaming Media Production Credit Program	-	-	-	-
L	Extend the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Credit for Two Years	-	-	(50)	(50)
M	Clarify Taxpayer Notification and Protest Rights	-	-	-	-
N	Improve the Tax Warrant Process	-	-	-	-
O	Simplify the STAR Income Definition	-	(9)	(9)	(9)
R	Increase the Article 9-A Estimated Tax Threshold	(84)	(144)	-	-
S	Establish a Tax Credit for Organ Donation	-	(1)	(1)	(1)
T	Make Permanent the Estate Tax Three-Year Gift Addback Rule	-	-	-	-
U	Expand the Credit for Employment of Persons with Disabilities	-	(2)	(2)	(2)
V	Reporting of Federal Partnership Adjustments	-	-	-	-
W	Eliminate NYC PIT for Certain Filers	-	-	-	-
Y	Extend the Clean Heating Fuel Credit for Three Years	-	-	(5)	(5)
Z	Extend the Alternative Fuels and Electric Vehicle Recharging Property Credit for Three Years	-	-	(3)	(3)
AA	Extend the Sales Tax Vending Machine Exemption for One Year	(8)	(2)	-	-
BB	Extend the Workers with Disabilities Tax Credit for Three Years	-	-	(1)	(1)
CC	Extend the Hire a Vet Credit for Three Years	-	-	(1)	(1)
DD	Extend the Musical and Theatrical Production Credit for Four Years	-	-	(8)	(8)
EE	Extend the Financial Institution Data Match System for Five Years	-	-	-	-
FF	Amend and Simplify the Pari-Mutuel Tax Rate Structure	-	-	-	-
GG	Temporarily Extend the Lowered Casino Slot Tax Rates	-	(49)	(49)	(49)
HH	Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain OTB Corporation for One Year	-	-	-	-
II	Conduct a Study of Thoroughbred Fetlock Joint Injury Detection Through Advanced Imaging	3	6	6	3
JJ	Establish a New York Works Tax Credit	-	-	(565)	(879)
KK	Establish a LIFT New York Tax Credit	-	(225)	(225)	(225)
LL	Establish a New York City Renters Tax Relief Credit	-	(275)	(275)	(275)
MM	Establish a Farm Employer Overtime Tax Credit	-	-	-	-
NN	Amend and Extend Enhanced Article 9-A Rates	1,425	2,105	1,600	1,400
OO	Amend the Small Business Subtraction Modification	-	(67)	(67)	(67)
PP	Establish Small Business Savings Accounts	-	(100)	(100)	(100)
QQ	Establish a Work Opportunity Tax Credit	-	(30)	(30)	(30)
RR	Establish a Farm Workforce Retention Credit	-	-	(25)	(25)
SS	Establish a Commercial Sales Tax Exemption For Energy Storage Systems	(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)
TT	Authorizes distributors of cannabis products to file annual returns electronically	-	-	-	-
UU	Modify the Taxation of Vapor Products	(7)	(13)	(13)	(13)
VV	Enhance Residential Solar Tax Credits	-	(74)	(74)	(74)
WW	Provide Pass Thru Manufacturer Tax Parity	-	-	(17)	(17)
XX	Amend the Tax Rate for a Certain Western New York OTB Facility	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)
YY	Increase RETT Deposit into the EPF	(100)	(100)	(100)	(100)
Total Fiscal Impact		(4,598)	(268)	(1,255)	1,435
Total Fiscal Impact (Excluding One Time Proposals)		(1,518)	(268)	(1,255)	1,435

PUBLIC PROTECTION & GENERAL GOVERNMENT

By Agency

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control**

The Assembly accepts the Executive proposed All Funds appropriation of \$94.6 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

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

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Audit and Control**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$598.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of Budget (DOB)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$51.1 million, an increase of \$602,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Assembly proposes provides \$602,000 to restore funding for legislative membership dues.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Civil Service**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$132.3 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to update public safety recruitment requirements.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the civil service examination fee waiver until June 30, 2026. The Assembly proposes this date be extended to December 31, 2027.
- The Assembly supports establishing a 25-year retirement plan for firefighters employed by the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs, mirroring the retirement benefits available to municipal firefighters. A.5552 (Pheffer Amato) would allow such members to retire upon completion of 25 years of service and to receive a pension benefit and an annuity equal to one-half of their final average salary. For each additional year worked, the benefit would be increased by one-sixtieth of their final salary.
- The Assembly supports establishing an improved retirement plan for New York State Environmental Conservation Police, New York State Park Police, and New York State University Police. A.6718 (Pheffer Amato) would establish a new 25-year retirement plan for officers who started prior to January 1, 2010 with enhance benefits, and a new

20-year plan for officers who started after such date, to mirror the retirement benefits available to the New York State Police.

- **The Assembly supports restoring the 20-year service retirement plans for corrections officers and police officers in New York City. A.3968 (Pheffer Amato) would provide for New York City Police Officers to retire upon completing 20 years of credible service or at age 62 A5548 (Pheffer Amato) would provide for New York City Uniformed Correction Plan members to retire on the same terms.**
- **Finally, the Assembly supports providing an increase in the final average salary for New York City detectives, sergeants, or lieutenants. A.5376 (Pheffer Amato) would increase the final average salary for these officers at 25, 30, and 35 years of service equal to 5%, 10% and 15% of the pay of the highest grade of their rank, respectively.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Corrections and Community Supervision**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.3 billion, an increase of \$5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$5 million for residential stabilization for individuals re-integrating after justice involvement, for a total of \$14.1 million.

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the Commissioner of Department of Correction and Community Supervision to designate additional programs that are eligible for merit time and expand limited credit time allowances for successful completion of programs of not less than 18 months.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the closure of up to five DOCCS correctional facilities. The proposal will extend the authority provided in the last year's budget (SFY 2024-25) to ensure a total of five facilities may be closed over the two fiscal years, 2024-25 and 2025-26.
- The Assembly includes language to require the Department to collect data related to complaints made to the Office of Special Investigation (OSI) and report it quarterly to the Assembly, Senate, and Governor. Such report would include how complaints filed with OSI are handled, which OSI division the complaint was referred to, number of investigations closed, referrals for criminal prosecution, referrals to other divisions within the department, the number of referrals to the bureau of labor relations, the average length of investigations, and OSI staffing data.

- **The Assembly will include the Executive proposal to implement a body-worn cameras program for corrections office, security and civilian staff in DOCCS facilities.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Commission of Correction**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to expand the oversight functions and duties of the State Commission of Correction. The modification of the proposal includes requiring employees the opportunity to have counsel or a union representative present during an interview by the commission and requiring incarcerated individuals the opportunity to have counsel present during an interview by the commission (Part HH).**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Division of Criminal Justice Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.05 billion, an increase of \$99.7 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides an additional \$30 million for Alternatives to Incarceration, for a total of \$61.4 million.**
- **The Assembly provides an additional \$7 million for Aid to Defense, for a total of \$47 million.**
- **The Assembly provides an additional \$4 million for the district attorney and indigent legal services attorney loan forgiveness program, for a total of \$6.4 million.**
- **The Assembly proposal includes various legislative restorations, including:**
 - **\$7.5 million to support criminal justice programs, including re-entry programs, community dispute resolution centers, community-based organizations, transitional housing, civil or criminal legal services, and crime prevention programs;**
 - **\$2.5 million for the New York State Defenders Association;**
 - **\$2.5 million for Prisoner Legal Services;**
 - **\$609,000 in domestic violence related civil and criminal legal services support; and**
 - **\$600,000 for immigrant legal services.**

Legal Services Assistance Fund

- The Assembly restores the carve out of \$2.8 million for Legal Services Assistance Fund (LSAF) support for civil and criminal legal services grants.

Anti-Gun Violence Programs

- The Assembly provides an additional \$10 million for SNUG, for a total of \$30.9 million.

Byrne/Jag Funding

- The Assembly restores the carve out of \$300,000 for the Assembly's share of Edward Byrne Memorial/Justice Assistance Grants.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$30 million for nonprofit, government-operated entities, and residential centers providing alternative to incarceration services to justice involved individuals.
- The Assembly provides \$5 million for the acquisition of electronic monitoring equipment for law enforcement entities.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend various criminal justice programs.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to make various amendments to the discovery law.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish the crime of domestic violence by establishing a new penal law class A misdemeanor crime of domestic violence.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to remove the criminal statute of limitations for sex trafficking and sex trafficking of a child.

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to add Artificial Intelligence to certain penal law crimes by amending offenses related to sexual performance of a child to include images created or altered by digitization.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to create the crime of aggravated transportation offense.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand existing penalties related to assault against certain transportation workers to include additional workers and locations.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to include intellectual disabilities in the Sex Trafficking statute by amending the offense of sex trafficking to include those who intentionally advance or profit from prostitution of an individual who is mentally disabled.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the burglary and criminal trespass statutes by amending the penal definition of “building” as it applies to criminal trespass and burglary to include structures used for the business of transporting persons.**
- **The Assembly includes language to establish the Office of Gun Violence Prevention within the Division of Criminal Justice Services and require the Office to coordinate with the Department of Health and Office of Mental Health, to prevent and respond to gun violence and collaborate with municipalities as well as stakeholders to educate the public on gun violence prevention.**
- **The Assembly includes language to require immediate assessment by probation services upon arrest of a juvenile delinquent and require intensive supervision and support services be offered during the first weeks immediately following a youth’s arrest.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 State Board of Elections

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$145.4 million, an increase of \$3 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$2.5 million for local Boards of Elections for costs related to elections held in 2025.**
- **The Assembly provides \$500,000 for the cost of implementing a program to expand voting opportunities to eligible people in detention.**

Capital Projects

- **Not Applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of Employee Relations**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$16.0 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Executive Chamber and Lieutenant Governor**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$26 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Financial Services (DFS)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$549.8 million, an increase of \$250,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$250,000 to restore the Education Debt and Consumer Assistance Program.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Physicians Excess Medical Malpractice Program for one year and reject provisions requiring participating providers to pay 50% of their excess coverage premium.**
- **The Assembly includes the Executive proposal to extend the New York State Health Insurance Continuation Assistance Demonstration Program for one year.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require pharmacy benefits managers to annually publish data related to rebate contracts on their websites.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to allow owners of for-hire vehicles with a seating capacity of less than eight passengers to obtain a group insurance policy.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Financial Services to promulgate regulations authorizing certain for-hire vehicles insurance rate increases without prior approval.**

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require insurers providing coverage to for-hire vehicles to submit rates to the Superintendent for prior approval by August 1, 2025 and every three years thereafter.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize certain public benefit corporations to form a captive insurance company**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to require Buy Now Pay Later (BNPL) lenders to be licensed by Department of Financial Services.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish procedures for financial institutions to identify and temporarily hold transactions suspected of defrauding or exploiting disabled individuals over the age of 18 and individuals age 60 and older.**
- **The Assembly includes the Executive proposal to create a New York State task force to study cryptocurrency and Blockchain technology.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of General Services**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.7 billion, a decrease of \$5 million from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Assembly transfers \$5 million for the New York State Commission on Reparations Remedies from the Office of General Services to the Department of State.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to allow design-build and construction manager as constructor contracts for public projects.**
- **The Assembly proposes to modify the Executive proposal to make the preferred source program permanent, to instead provide for a three-year extension.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.1 billion, an increase of \$10.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$500,000 for the American Red Cross.**

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly provides \$10 million for facility improvements and the purchase of equipment for volunteer firefighter departments, for a total of \$35 million.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require municipalities to report cybersecurity attacks to the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services within seventy-two hours of an incident.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of Indigent Legal Services**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$505.4 million, an increase of \$20.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$20.5 million for family court representation.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of the State Inspector General**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$12 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Interest on Lawyer Account**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$80.9 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Commission on Judicial Conduct**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.3 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Law

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$495.1 million, an increase of \$7.3 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Assembly provides \$7.3 million for an additional 95 full time equivalents (FTEs) to support various agency programs.**

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of Military and Naval Affairs**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$446.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$19.4 million, an increase of \$50,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$50,000 for the SUNY Buffalo family violence and women's rights clinic.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to codify Executive Order 17, which requires state agencies to implement workplace gender-based violence policies and mandates that bidders certify such policies to qualify for state contracts.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Public Employment Relations Board**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.7 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government (COELIG)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.3 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of State Police**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.2 billion.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Statewide Financial System

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$35.3 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of Information Technology Services**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.2 billion.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of Victim Services**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$352.1 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to require hospitals to provide coverage for HIV-post-exposure prophylaxis for a full 28-day regimen and increase the forensic rape exam coverage from the Medicare rate to a higher rate determined by the Office of Victim Services and the Department of Health.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to increase reimbursement for scam victims, raise funeral reimbursement caps, expand crime scene cleanup reimbursement and allow medical records to qualify people as a disabled victim.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Workers' Compensation Board**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$232 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize medical residents and fellows to treat workers' compensation claimants.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize medical providers to treat workers' compensation claimants.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish an employer's payment of medical bills for workers' compensation claimants is not an admission of liability.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require private insurers to continue payment of medical bills for workers' compensation claimants when their claims are being contested.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 General State Charges

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.7 billion.

State Operations

- The Assembly does not include the Executive 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.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to cease reimbursement of Medicare Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA) to high income retirees and their dependents to provide a premium refund to certain enrollees in the New York State Insurance Program (NYSHIP).
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to establish an optional payment for newly hired state employees and proposes to instead require the executive to review what is necessary to eliminate the payroll lag and make requests to the Legislature.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the provision granting the Public Employment Relations Board authority to engage the MTA and its recognized employee organization in binding interest arbitration until 2027.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to adjust the amortization schedule for unfunded accrued liabilities for certain in retirement systems in New York City.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Miscellaneous: Public Protection and General Government

Local Government Assistance

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$929.8 million, an increase of \$50 million over the Executive proposal.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$50 million in funding for Temporary Municipal Assistance payments, for a total of \$100 million.

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to increase the bonding limit for the New York City Transitional Finance Authority (TFA) by \$3 billion to \$30.5 billion, starting in July 2025, to tie the limit to MTA spending.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the New York City Relocation and Employment Assistance Program (REAP) for five years, until July 1, 2030; or the proposal to establish a new three-year Relocation Assistance Credit Per Employee (RACE) program, which would provide tax credits to certain out-of-state businesses that relocate to eligible buildings by July 1, 2028. The Assembly will continue to explore options that would create a single business relocation tax incentive program to attract out-of-state businesses into both Lower Manhattan and New York City at-large.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would expand New York City's authorization to use the Construction Manager Build and Progressive Design-Build procurement methods to include a wider range of agencies and projects.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would remove the requirement that Industrial Development Agency (IDA) agents and project operators annually report their claimed sales and use tax exemptions to the Department of Taxation and Finance.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal mandating annual cybersecurity training for state and local government employees who use technology in their roles.

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal on suspending or revoking licenses, permits, or registrations, which clarifies that such actions may only be taken in cases involving ties to organized crime or terrorism and convictions for racketeering.**
- **The Assembly includes with modifications the Executive proposal on extending the MWBE and Service Disabled Veterans Owned Business programs in infrastructure projects.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to raise the purchasing threshold for state agencies and public authorities when procuring goods or services from certified MWBEs and SDVOBs, opting to address this as a standalone bill.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit discrimination in real estate appraisals, which would enforce penalties through fines, license suspensions, or revocations, with fines partially supporting the Anti-Discrimination in Housing Fund, opting to address this as a standalone bill.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to amend the existing discrimination complaint process by introducing a "Discrimination Complaints Escrow Fund" to manage and distribute monetary awards from settlements or rulings.**

EDUCATION, LABOR & FAMILY ASSISTANCE

By Agency

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Veterans' Services**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$35 million, an increase of \$2.4 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$2.4 million in restorations for various veterans' programs.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to expanded eligibility criteria for the Gold Star Annuity Program.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
New York State Council on the Arts**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$110.9 million, an increase of \$39.4 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly proposes \$39.4 million in additional grantmaking support, for a total of \$100 million.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 City University of New York (CUNY)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.2 billion, an increase of \$830.9 million over Executive.

State Operations

- **The Assembly provides \$34 million for CUNY collective bargaining costs.**
- **The Assembly provides \$21.6 million in new operating funds for CUNY, which includes:**
 - **\$7 million for the Career Success Model;**
 - **\$4 million restoration for the CUNY Medical School;**
 - **\$2.5 million restoration for the School of Labor and Urban Studies, for a total of \$6.2 million;**
 - **\$1.7 million restoration for Search for Education, Elevation and Knowledge (SEEK) and provides a \$1.2 million increase, for a total of \$39.9 million;**
 - **\$1.2 million restoration for the Black Male Initiative;**
 - **\$1 million restoration for Expansion of Nursing Programs, for a total of \$2 million;**
 - **\$1 million restoration for Mental Health Services, for a total of \$2 million;**
 - **\$350,000 restoration for the Asian American Research Institute;**
 - **\$350,000 restoration for the W. Haywood Burns Chair in Human and Civil Rights; and**
 - **\$1.3 million restoration for other legislative adds.**

Aid to Localities

The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal for NY Opportunity Promise Scholarship in favor of establishing the New York College Access Program (NYCAP) to provide tuition-free associate degree programs for all SUNY and CUNY students. To accomplish this, the Assembly provides:

- **\$74 million for Academic Year (AY) 2025-26, a \$55.2 million increase over the Executive's proposal.**

The Assembly proposal includes:

- **\$20 million in additional base aid to CUNY Community Colleges for the 2025-26 Academic Year (AY); and**
- **\$81,000 restoration for College Discovery and provides a \$56,000 increase, for a total of \$1.9 million.**

Capital Projects

The Assembly proposal includes:

- **\$250 million for CUNY critical maintenance, for a total of \$534.2 million;**
- **\$220 million to support CUNY energy efficiency projects;**
- **\$109 million for CUNY's comprehensive IT modernization and security enhancement;**
- **\$119 million in additional flexible capital to support various CUNY needs; and**
- **\$2 million for the School of Labor and Urban Studies.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly would create the New York College Access Program (NYCAP) by modifying the Executive proposal to create a scholarship program for certain students attending community college. The Assembly proposal would expand eligibility by including students obtaining an associate degree at any SUNY or CUNY college offering such degree, and eliminating certain restrictions based on age, area of study and having obtained another post-secondary degree.**
- **The Assembly is supportive of efforts to help reduce the amount of fees paid by graduate students attending SUNY and CUNY, particularly those who work for these institutions. Graduate students should not be required to pay back a portion of their salary or stipend to colleges and universities through burdensome fees, and reducing such fees can provide necessary financial relief.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 State Education Department (SED)

The Assembly provides an All-Funds appropriation of \$49.3 billion, an increase of \$1.3 billion over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides:
 - \$12 million to support the State Education Department Office of Cultural Education;
 - \$2.3 million to implement changes on the Blue Ribbon Commission's Graduation Standards; and
 - \$750,000 to report on the general health, usage and function of the New York State Museum.

- The Assembly restores:
 - \$4 million for New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test;
 - \$1.2 million for Summer School of the Arts, for a total of \$2.7 million; and
 - \$150,000 for Rochester Fiscal Consultant.

Aid to Localities

Formula Based Aid

- Under the Assembly proposal, State funding for school aid would total \$38.5 billion, an increase of \$1.1 billion over the Executive and \$2.7 billion over School Year (SY) 2024-25. This includes a \$569 million increase to Foundation Aid over the Executive, which would be a \$2 billion increase over SY 2024-25.

- The Assembly proposal:
 - updates the Regional Cost Index (RCI) to be the greater of the 2006 Index or the 2024 updated values for each region;

- increases the English Language Learner Factor of the Pupil Needs Index from 0.5 to 0.65;
- lowers the Income Wealth Index floor from 0.65 to 0 over three years; and
- provides a 2.9 percent minimum increase to Foundation Aid.
- The Assembly provides:
 - \$327.4 million for Universal Prekindergarten, including:
 - \$302.4 million used to increase the minimum per pupil funding distributed via formula from \$5,400 to \$10,000 per pupil; and
 - \$25 million through the Statewide Universal Full Day Prekindergarten grant, which funds pupils at \$10,000 per pupil.
 - \$57.9 million to increase the salary cap aid for BOCES instructors from \$30,000 to \$40,000;
 - \$16.5 million to increase Academic Improvement and Career Education Services Aid for 9th graders;
 - \$14.6 million in School Library Materials Aid to fund a reimbursement increase for library materials from \$6.25 per pupil to \$11.50 per pupil; and
 - an alternative growth factor for Transportation After 4 to use 2.5 times the Personal Income Growth Index.

Nonpublic Schools

- The Assembly restores \$1 million to Nonpublic Immunization, for a total of \$1 million.
- The Assembly restores \$500,000 for Nonpublic Academic Intervention Services, for a total of \$1.4 million.

Adult Career and Continuing Education Services

- The Assembly restores \$750,000 for Independent Living Centers, for a total of \$16.8 million.

- The Assembly restores \$500,000 for Adult Literacy Education, for a total of \$9.8 million.

Special Education

- The Assembly provides \$3.4 million increase for Schools for the Blind and Deaf (4201 schools), for a total of \$116.8 million;
- The Assembly restores \$5.3 million for nine individual 4201 schools:
 - \$1 million for the Lavelle School for the Blind;
 - \$903,000 for the New York School for the Deaf;
 - \$903,000 for the Henry Viscardi School;
 - \$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;
 - \$150,000 for the St. Mary's School; and
 - \$150,000 for the St. Francis de Sales School for the Deaf.

Office of Higher Education and the Professions

- The Assembly proposal restores:
 - \$2.1 million for the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP) and provides a \$1.5 million increase, for a total of \$50.5 million;
 - \$2 million for Students with Disabilities, for a total of \$4 million.
 - \$1.1 million for the Liberty Partnerships Program (LPP) and provides a \$761,000 increase, for a total of \$26.1 million;
 - \$954,000 for the Science and Technology Entry Program (STEP) and provides a \$654,000 increase, for a total of \$22.5 million;
 - \$723,000 for the Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program (CSTEP) and provides a \$497,000 increase, for a total of \$17 million; and
 - \$362,000 for the Foster Youth Initiative and provides a \$248,000 increase, for a total of \$8.5 million.

Cultural Education

- The Assembly provides a \$2.5 million increase in funding for Library Aid over the Executive, for a total of \$107.1 million.
- The Assembly restores \$125,000 for Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture for a total of \$500,000 and \$55,000 for Langston Hughes Community Library and Cultural Center of Queens Library, for a total of \$167,500.

Other Programs

- The Assembly provides \$25 million for the Internet-Enabled Device School Ban, for a total of \$38.5 million.
- The Assembly provides \$5 million for Digital Inclusion programs.
- The Assembly provides \$2 million for My Brother's Keeper, for a total of \$30 million.
- The Assembly provides \$2 million to fund a start-up network of schools/districts who choose to participate in regionalization efforts.
- The Assembly restores funding for the following programs:
 - \$18.7 million for Prior-Year Aid Claims;
 - \$14.3 million for Teacher Resource and Computer Training Centers;
 - \$1.5 million for the Consortium for Worker Education, for a total of \$13 million;
 - \$1.2 million for Buffalo School Health Services;
 - \$1.2 million for Rochester School Health Services;
 - \$750,000 for State Appointed Monitors;
 - \$500,000 for the Teacher Diversity Pipeline Pilot;
 - \$461,000 for the Bard Queens Early College High School;
 - \$385,000 for Bilingual or Multilingual Training Programs for Teachers
 - \$250,000 for CWE Enhanced Credentialing; and
 - \$9.9 million in funding for various initiatives.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly transfers \$135 million for State Museum, Library and Archives, from Economic Development to the State Education Department.

The Assembly proposal provides:

- \$100 million for Schools on Native American Reservations, for a total of \$120.1 million;
- \$34 million for Library Capital, for a total of \$68 million;
- \$20 million for Administration Maintenance, for a total \$47.6 million; and
- \$4.5 million for Batavia School for the Blind, for a total \$9 million.

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Farm-to-School Program to expand it to include breakfast and snacks.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive Dual Enrollment Policy to make technical changes.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to require the Commissioner of Education to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature containing data regarding the general health, usage and function of the New York State Museum before September 2025, updated annually thereafter, with modifications to alleviate unfeasible reporting requirements.
- The Assembly includes extensions of provisions of law regarding the Hempstead, Rochester, and Wyandanch school district's state monitors.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require schools to adopt a written policy prohibiting the use of internet-enabled devices by students on school grounds by August 2025; however, the Assembly is continuing to explore the issue and supports restricting students' use of cell phones and other internet-enabled devices in school to better cultivate a healthy and productive environment for children to learn. This initiative can reduce distractions and improve students' academic performance, social engagement, and mental health. The Assembly is committed to furthering this goal and ensuring that the policies implemented in schools are comprehensive and account for the needs of stakeholders, including students, parents, and school professionals.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the scope of practice for dental hygienists, pharmacists, registered pharmacy technicians, physician assistants, and certified nurse aides.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize New York State to join the Interstate Nurse Licensure Compact.

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize medical assistants to administer immunizations under the supervision of a physician or physician assistant.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to transfer the oversight of physicians, physician assistants, and specialist assistants from SED to DOH.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Office of Children and Family Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.2 billion, an increase of \$372.6 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$2 billion for child care subsidies, an increase of \$212.5 million over the Executive proposal, to create and preserve child care slots.**
- **The Assembly proposes \$100 million for afterschool programs in high need districts serving youth up to age 18. This would provide funding for an additional 40,000 afterschool slots.**
- **The Assembly proposes \$5 million for afterschool providers whose programs are not eligible for other state-funded afterschool grants and whose programs serve primarily economically disadvantage students.**
- **The Assembly restores \$28.6 million to reject the Executive proposal to eliminate the state share for Committee on Special Education placements outside of New York City.**
- **The Assembly provides an additional \$2 million for Runaway and Homeless Youth, for a total of \$12 million.**
- **The Assembly provides an additional \$1.5 million for the Youth Development Program, for a total of \$23.1 million.**
- **The Assembly restores the following programs that were eliminated by the Executive:**
 - **\$11.9 million for Facilitated Enrollment;**
 - **\$4 million for Settlement Houses and provides an increase of \$1 million, for a total of \$5 million;**
 - **\$1.9 million for Kinship Care;**
 - **\$1 million for Safe Harbor; and**
 - **\$100,000 for Kinship Navigator.**

- The Assembly includes \$250,000 for a Child Care Cost of Estimate Model Study to determine the actual cost of providing child care.
- The Assembly increases funding for child care within the Office of Children and Family Services by \$8.6 million, and decreases funding in the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance Temporary Assistance and Needy Families (TANF) appropriation for the same purpose.

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to establish the New York Coalition on Child Care panel to examine strategies to increase revenue to fund future child care spending. The proposal will specify the panel participants and require a report be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature.
- The Assembly proposes to require the Office of Children and Family Services to utilize a cost estimation model to determine the actual cost of providing child care.
- The Assembly proposes to eliminate minimum wage eligibility requirements to access child care assistance.
- The Assembly proposes to modify the Executive proposal to establish and certify a child care substitute pool for caregivers at child day care centers, to clarify the employer liability of the child care support center, and require the center to be operated by a non-profit.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to permanently eliminate state reimbursement for 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.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.3 billion, an increase of \$554.7 million over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly is strongly supportive of efforts to implement microchip technology for New York Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cardholders and supports the allocation of resources to ensure prompt adoption of such technology to protect New Yorkers receiving needed benefits through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and other cash assistance programs.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$8.6 million in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) restorations to provide support for the following programs that were eliminated in the Executive Budget:**
 - **\$4.1 million for ATTAIN;**
 - **\$1.4 million for Career Pathways;**
 - **\$800,000 for ACCESS;**
 - **\$785,000 for Preventive Services;**
 - **\$475,000 for Wage Subsidy Program;**
 - **\$334,000 for SUNY/CUNY Child Care;**
 - **\$200,000 for additional funding for Non-Residential Domestic Violence, for a total of \$3.2 million;**
 - **\$200,000 for the Jewish Child Care Association of New York;**
 - **\$144,000 for Wheels for Work;**
 - **\$82,000 for Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority; and**
 - **\$25,000 for Centro of Oneida.**
- **The Assembly includes \$200 million to establish the Increasing Nutrition Support for Prenatal and Infant Resiliency (INSPIRE) pilot program, to provide cash assistance of \$400 per month to low-income households during the last three months of pregnancy and through the first year of a child's life.**

- The Assembly provides \$100 million to establish the Learning Empowering and Developing (LEAD) Summer Youth Program, intended to supplement the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) to provide employment and career exploration opportunities to youth under 400% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).
- The Assembly provides an additional \$100 million for the New York State Rental Supplement Program, for a total of \$200 million.
- The Assembly provides \$16.2 million to provide a rate increase for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients residing in enhanced residential care facilities.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$15 million for the New York State Supportive Housing Program (NYSSHP), for a total of \$86.4 million.
- The Assembly restores \$15 million for Legal Protection for Eviction, for a total of \$50 million to expand services statewide.
- The Assembly restores \$5 million for the Refugee Resettlement Program, for a total of \$7 million.
- The Assembly restores \$2 million for the Nutrition Outreach and Education Program (NOEP), for a total of \$5.5 million.
- The Assembly restores \$1.5 million for the Disability Advocacy Program (DAP), for a total of \$6.8 million.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides an additional \$100 million for the Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP), for a total of \$253 million.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) pass-through for 2026.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the legal authority of the Office of Temporary Disability Assistance and the Office of Children and Family Services to

appoint a temporary operator for emergency shelters that have seriously endangered or jeopardized shelter residents through 2028.

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to require local social services departments to waive public assistance eligibility requirements for survivors of gender-based violence in certain instances.**
- **The Assembly proposes to replace the Executive’s BABY Benefit proposal with a proposal to establish the INSPIRE Program, which would provide a cash benefit allowance of \$400 per month for the last 3 months of pregnancy and first 12 months of a child’s life for low-income households that are public assistance recipients or income eligible to receive public assistance.**
- **The Assembly proposes to add an increase to the Standard of Need for households residing in enhanced residential care and receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) including State Supplemental Payments from \$1,637 to \$1,768 a month.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$47.4 million over the Executive.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$37.1 million Academic Year (AY) to increase income eligibility for the Excelsior Scholarship eligibility from \$125,000 to \$150,000 per household, for a total of \$150 million.**
- **The Assembly provides \$9.2 million (AY) to increase the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) income threshold from \$125,000 to \$150,000 for dependent students, certain independent students, and students who qualify as an orphan, foster child or ward of the court.**
- **The Assembly restores \$1 million for the Senator Patricia K. McGee Nursing Faculty Scholarship, for a total of \$4.9 million.**
- **The Assembly restores \$100,000 for the Child Welfare Worker Incentive Scholarship Program, for a total of \$150,000.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly will increase the income threshold for Excelsior eligibility from \$125,000 to \$150,000.**
- **The Assembly will increase the income threshold for dependent students under the Tuition Assistance Program from \$125,000 to \$150,000.**

- **The Assembly will expand applicant eligibility and reimbursement under the New York State District Attorney and Indigent Legal Services Attorney Loan Forgiveness Program.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Division of Housing and Community Renewal

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.6 billion, an increase of \$2.4 billion over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly supports investments in community land trusts, conversion of rental housing to homeownership housing, and tenant or tenant organization ownership of housing accommodations.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$250 million to create the Housing Access Voucher Program (HAVP).**
- **The Assembly provides \$100 million for Mitchell-Lama units and New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) developments to assist with operating needs, such as offsetting maintenance costs, and other extraordinary needs.**
- **The Assembly restores \$10 million for Land Banks.**
- **The Assembly restores \$ 2 million for Fair Housing Testing, for a total of \$4 million.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal of \$50 million for First-Time Homebuyer Down Payment Assistance to restore language that would require a minimum of 50 percent AMI for program eligibility.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal of \$10.5 million for the Pro-Housing Supply Fund to clarify that the funds may be used for technical assistance to assist communities gain pro-housing designation.**
- **Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF): The Assembly transfers from the Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF) \$6 million for the Neighborhood Preservation Program (NPP), for a total of \$18.8 million and \$2.7 million for Rural Preservation Programs (RPP), for a total of \$8 million. The Assembly restores carveouts for the Neighborhood Preservation Coalition and Rural Housing Coalition of \$250,000 each.**

Capital Projects

- The Assembly supports assisting individuals who are exiting incarceration in their need for permanent, stable housing. The Assembly recommends that no less than \$125 million of the \$1.5 billion appropriated for supportive housing in the five-year Housing Plan be directed to assist individuals who have been incarcerated that are at risk of or facing homelessness.
- The Assembly provides \$750 million for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), which may be used for lead, mold, or asbestos remediation, including for vacant units.
- The Assembly provides \$750 million for Mitchell-Lama Preservation and Homeownership.
- The Assembly provides \$225 million for Rest of State Public Housing Authorities for rehabilitation and new construction.
- The Assembly provides \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Co-op Program.
- The Assembly provides \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Rental Program.
- The Assembly provides \$40 million for Land Banks.
- The Assembly provides \$7 million for the Small Rental Housing Development Initiative.
- The Assembly provides \$3 million for Access to Home, for a total of \$4 million.
- The Assembly provides \$2.6 million for Housing Opportunities Program for the Elderly (includes RESTORE program), for a total of \$4 million.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to create a housing access voucher program for eligible individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- The Assembly proposes to require the Commissioner to connect eligible tenants and nonprofit housing organizations with the multitude of homeownership programs funded within the state's multi-year housing program.

- **The Assembly proposes to codify the Homeowner Protection Program (HOPP) to provide free housing counseling and legal services to homeowners related to homeownership retention such as preventing foreclosure and deed theft.**
- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to reduce property taxes for Mitchell-Lama developments to no more than 5% of the annual shelter rent or carrying charges for projects located in New York City and at local option for projects located outside New York City.**
- **The Assembly proposes to modify the Executive proposal to transfer \$106.7 million in excess Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF) reserves to provide an additional \$6 million for Neighborhood Preservation Programs (NPPs), an additional \$2.7 million for Rural Preservation Programs (RPPs) and restore carveouts for the Neighborhood Preservation Coalition and Rural Housing Coalition at \$250,000 each.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to provide the use of an algorithm or algorithmic device to adjust rental price levels is unlawful collusion.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of Human Rights**

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

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to create a Discrimination Complaints Escrow Fund to manage and distribute settlement awards in discrimination cases.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive Proposal to prohibit discrimination in real estate appraisals, which would enforce penalties through fines, license suspensions, or revocations, with fines partially supporting the Anti-Discrimination in Housing Fund.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Labor

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$14.3 billion, an increase of \$7 billion over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$7 billion to pay off the State's outstanding Unemployment Insurance (UI) Trust Fund debt. This would alleviate trust fund insolvency measures for businesses for taxable year 2025 and would allow unemployment benefit rates for claimants to begin rising again. The current benefit rates have been flat since 2019. The Assembly supports re-implementing the benefit rate at the level established in law so that workers can regain their livelihoods and keep pace with the current economic climate. In addition, the Assembly supports decreasing the UI benefit suspension period for workers participating in legal, sanctioned strikes and revising the standard for reinsurance assurance of employment for workers in academic settings, thereby lessening the financial hardships experienced by such workers.
- The Assembly restores funding for the following programs:
 - \$1.6 million for the Displaced Homemaker Program;
 - \$350,000 for the New York Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH);
 - \$150,000 for the Sexual Harassment Prevention program at Cornell University;
 - \$50,000 for the Labor Relations School of Cornell Criminal Records Program; and
 - \$6.2 million for various labor initiatives.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to clarify that unemployment benefit rates for claimants will catch up to their 2025 levels after the unemployment insurance debt is paid.
- The Assembly includes a proposal that decreases the suspension period workers engaged in sanctioned strikes must wait to access unemployment benefits and allows this period to be served concurrently with the waiting period.
- The Assembly proposes to expand the number of adjunct professors who can access unemployment benefits by modifying the definition of reasonable assurance for adjunct professors.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to modernize the youth employment system.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to amend the Healthy Terminals Act. The Assembly supports making changes to the Healthy Terminals Act in order to provide fair wages and benefits for covered airport workers at John F. Kennedy International Airport, LaGuardia Airport, and Stewart Airport. Such changes should ensure that any person employed to perform work at these airports receives a new applicable wage and benefit rate designated by the New York State Commissioner of Labor or the New York City Comptroller based on determinations made by the General Services Administration pursuant to the federal McNamara-O'Hara Service Contract Act, including overtime pay for any covered airport worker working more than eight hours per day, or more than 40 hours per week.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to exempt employers who pay manual workers on a semi-monthly basis from current liquidated damages and establish separate damages for those employers.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Labor to issue warrants and seize the business or personal property of employers who violate wage theft laws.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to increase penalties and adds felonies for employers who violate child labor laws.
- The Assembly strongly supports updating section 224-a of the Labor Law to ensure that construction projects paid for in whole or in part with public funds are subject to prevailing wage requirements. Only six projects have been approved by the Public Subsidy Board since 2022, clearly demonstrating that the law has not been as effective as it was intended to be. A.6708 (Bronson) would broaden the definition of “covered

project” to capture more construction projects based on the amount of public funds received, as well as **clarify the types of funds and benefits considered under the definition of “public funds”**. It would also eliminate the Public Subsidy Board, thus **placing approval and enforcement authority directly in the hands of the New York State Department of Labor**.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
State of New York Mortgage Agency**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$187.6 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 State University of New York (SUNY)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$16.8 billion, an increase of \$1.5 billion over the Executive.

State Operations

- The Assembly proposal would shift the cost of SUNY Hospital debt service from the hospitals to the State, saving the SUNY Hospitals \$70 million.
- The Assembly restores \$9.5 million in operating funds:
 - \$1.9 million for the Educational Opportunity Program and provides an increase of \$2.2 million, for a total of \$45.7 million;
 - \$2.0 million for the Maritime Appointments Program, for a total of \$2.2 million;
 - \$1.0 million for Mental Health Services, for a total of \$2 million;
 - \$1 million for the High Needs Nursing Program;
 - \$433,000 for the Immigrant Integration Research and Policy Center;
 - \$350,000 for the Black Leadership Institute;
 - \$350,000 for the Asian American Native American and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Leadership Institute;
 - \$165,000 for the Long Island Veteran's Home; and
 - \$525,000 million for various legislative adds.
- The Assembly provides \$850,000 for the Timbuctoo Climate Science Careers Summer Institute, with an additional \$1.3 million in the Environmental Protection Fund;

Aid to Localities

The Assembly proposal modifies the Executive NY Opportunity Promise Scholarship in favor of establishing the New York College Access Program (NYCAP) to provide tuition-free associate degree programs for all SUNY and CUNY students. To accomplish this, the Assembly provides:

- \$133 million for Academic Year (AY) 2025-26, a \$104.8 million increase over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly proposal also:

- provides \$30 million in additional base aid for SUNY Community Colleges;
- restores \$1.7 million for the Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE), for a total of \$6.1 million; and
- restores \$500,000 for various legislative adds.

Capital Projects

The Assembly proposal includes:

- \$300 million for SUNY Critical Maintenance, for a total of \$850 million;
- \$600 million for SUNY Research Facilities, for a total of \$800 million;
- \$250 million for SUNY Downstate Hospital, for a total of \$700 million; and
- \$250 million for SUNY Upstate Hospital, for a total of \$450 million.

Article VII

- The Assembly would create the New York College Access Program (NYCAP) by modifying the Executive proposal to create a scholarship program for certain students obtaining an associate degree at any SUNY or CUNY college offering such degree, and eliminating certain restrictions based on age, area of study, and having obtained another post-secondary degree.
- The Assembly is supportive of efforts to help reduce the amount of fees paid by graduate students attending SUNY and CUNY, particularly those who work for these institutions. Graduate students should not be required to pay back a portion of their salary or stipend to colleges and universities through burdensome fees, and reducing such fees can provide necessary financial relief.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of the Welfare Inspector General**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.4 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Miscellaneous: Education, Labor, and Family Assistance**

Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program

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

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly provides \$50 million for the Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program to support capital projects for eligible nonprofit human services organizations.**

Higher Education Facilities Capital Matching Grants Program

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

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly provides \$40 million for the Higher Education Capital Matching Grants Program (HECap).**

Raise the Age

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$350 million, a \$100 million increase over the Executive proposal, and modifies language to remove the requirement that localities must adhere to the 2% tax cap, or be fiscally distressed to participate in the program.

The Assembly proposes to require immediate assessment by probation services upon arrest of a juvenile delinquent and require intensive supervision and support services be offered during the first weeks immediately following a youth's arrest.

Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program

The Assembly proposes an All Funds appropriation of \$100 million, a \$60 million increase over the Executive proposal.

Capital Projects

The Assembly provides an additional \$60 million for the Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program which would provide facility enhancement grants to small and mid-sized organizations, to be administered by the New York State Council on the Arts.

HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE

By Agency

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
State Office for the Aging (SOFA)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$431 million, an increase of \$7.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$1.1 million to restore funding for the Holocaust Survivors Initiative.**
- **The Assembly provides \$6.4 million to restore various legislative adds.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Council on Developmental Disabilities**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.3 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Health

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$136 billion, an increase of \$1.7 billion over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly Majority is committed to ensuring that the Medical Indemnity Fund (MIF) remains open to new enrollees so that children born with neurological injuries can continue to receive needed care. The MIF is an important program intended to prevent detrimental financial burdens for both families and hospitals. For this reason, it is vitally important that the enacted budget make necessary changes to maintain the long-term viability of the MIF.

The Assembly Majority is committed to ensuring the financial sustainability of nursing homes across the State. Nursing homes are a cornerstone of the healthcare system, both for patients receiving care and for the integral function they serve in providing continuity of care for those discharged from inpatient settings. For this reason, the Assembly Majority believes that nursing home rates need to be addressed to better reflect the costs incurred by institutions to ensure capacity continues to meet the demand for care.

The Assembly is committed to supporting access to emergency medical services across the State in a manner that maximizes quality of care and minimizes response times. The Assembly also recognizes the critical role of emergency medical services in the delivery of life-saving health care services. For this reason, the Assembly believes that it is vital that local governments have the flexibility to develop, manage, and fund services that meet their specific needs.

State Operations

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to raise \$2.5 million in fees for vital record modernization.**

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to exclude \$2.1 billion of non-DOH Other State Agency (OSA) spending from the Global Cap by reclassifying an additional \$239 million of OSA spending to further offset the Global Cap.**

The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to reinvest \$1.4 billion in MCO tax revenue as follows:

- \$100 million in hospital outpatient rate increases, for a total of \$405 million in hospital investments;
 - \$50 million in nursing home, assisted living, and hospice rates for a total of \$250 million;
 - \$25 million to increase rates for clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers, for a total of \$35 million;
 - \$16.5 million in children’s behavioral health investments;
 - \$15 million in Certified Home Health Agency investments;
 - \$10 million to increase Early Intervention rates by 5 percent;
 - \$12.4 million to restore funding for prescriber prevails;
 - \$9.6 million for Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) reforms;
 - \$7.5 million reduction in the physician fee schedule investments, for a total of \$42.5 million, to account for spending associated with not including the elimination of the specialty physician independent dispute resolution (IDR) process;
 - \$5 million reduction in the Mainstream Managed Care Quality Pool investment, for a total of \$45 million, to account for spending associated with not including the authorization of plan penalties; and
 - \$239 million reduction in the Global Cap offset to reflect the additional OSA spending reclassification.
- The Assembly provides \$575 million to restore the Vital Access Provider Assurance Program (VAPAP) for financially distressed hospital and nursing homes.
 - The Assembly provides \$39.3 million to restore Excess Medical Malpractice.
 - The Assembly provides \$20 million for Nourish NY, for a total of \$75 million.
 - The Assembly provides \$17.2 million for the Hunger Prevention Nutrition Assistance Program (HPNAP), for a total of \$75 million.
 - The Assembly provides \$13.7 million to partially restore the nursing home capital rate add on by 5 percent.
 - The Assembly provides \$12 million to increase Early Intervention reimbursement by 5 percent.
 - The Assembly provides \$12 million for the Reproductive Freedom and Equity Program, for a total of \$37 million. Of the additional funds, \$2 million will be available for clinical training of reproductive health providers.

- The Assembly provides \$6.5 million to restore the EQUAL program.
- The Assembly provides \$3.8 million to restore funding for School Based Health Centers.
- The Assembly provides \$3 million to create a loan forgiveness program for dentists.
- The Assembly provides \$2.2 million to restore various public health programs.
- The Assembly provides \$2 million for a study on the feasibility of a public long-term care insurance program.
- The Assembly provides \$2 million to expand access for Licensed Creative Arts Therapist services under Medicaid.
- The Assembly provides \$1.4 million to not include the Executive proposal to expand the scope of covered services for pharmacists.
- The Assembly provides \$1 million to restore funding for the Nurse Family Partnership program, for a total of \$4 million.
- The Assembly saves \$800,000 by not including the Executive proposal to authorize paramedics to administer buprenorphine.
- The assembly provides \$10 million to restore various legislative adds.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$1 billion for health care facility capital needs.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Medicaid Global Cap, that would extend the legal authority for the Medicaid Global Cap through fiscal year 2026-27.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend various provisions of the public health law, mental hygiene law, insurance law, state finance law, and social services law. The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal for extensions to follow historic precedent and will not include the extension of the deadline to determine the Assisted Living Program Need Methodology.

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal for the repeal to provider prevails protections under the Medicaid program.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to discontinue certain Upper Payment Limit (UPL) and Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments to NYC H+H hospitals, to make the proposal contingent on NYC's federal funding being approved.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to carve Medicaid out of the Independent Dispute Resolution, nor the proposal to authorize the Commission of Health to penalize managed care organizations for contract noncompliance or failing to meet performance standards. The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to shift the payment model for long-term nursing home stays from Medicaid Managed Care to Fee-for-Service.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal for the MCO provider tax to include an increase in Medicaid reimbursements to hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living residences, and federally qualified health centers.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to discontinue certain public health programs.**
- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to eliminate the electronic death registry system fee.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to retroactively extend the deadline for statewide transformation rewards.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the authority of temporary operators to takeover hospitals and adult care facilities.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to modify the medical debt law.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require hospitals to directly report to DOH their community benefit fund expenditures.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the scope of the spinal cord injury research program.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the state-controlled substance schedule, allowing hospitals to dispense buprenorphine, or allowing EMTs to administer buprenorphine.**

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to codify abortion as an emergency medical service, or prescription labels for abortion medications to include the name or address of the prescribing healthcare facility instead of the name of the prescriber.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to add iatrogenic infertility treatment as a covered service under Medicaid and would require the Commissioner of Health to establish a grant program to fund uncompensated healthcare services related to infertility. The Assembly includes a modification to remove language that permits these grants to be offered without procurement or competitive bids and includes a proposal to expand Medicaid coverage to include ovulation-enhancing drugs.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to classify Emergency Medical Service (EMS) as an essential service, require county reporting to DOH to evaluate EMS quality and accessibility, require counties to develop EMS and require designated EMS agencies to respond to calls, redefine EMS to include community paramedicine, and establish a scope/funding expansion for community-based paramedicine.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand reporting requirements for healthcare entities in relation to proposed material transactions.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to require hospitals to have sexual violence response coordinators and sexual assault forensic examiners on staff 24/7. The Assembly includes a modification to extend the effective date.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish requirements for requesting and providing genealogical records by DOH, increase the fee for birth and death certificates from \$30 to \$45, allow DOH to charge a \$50/hour retrieval fee and increase processing fees for vital records requests from \$15 to \$30.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish a “Hospital at Home” program to allow hospitals to provide acute care off-site, in a patient’s home.
- The Assembly includes a proposal to permanently carve school-based health centers out of Medicaid Managed Care.
- The Assembly includes a proposal to establish a loan repayment program for dentists.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$59.2 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Mental Hygiene**

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

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.3 billion, an increase of \$3.4 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$1 million to restore funding for Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialists (SAPIS).**
- **The Assembly provides \$2.4 million to restore various legislative initiatives.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Office of Mental Health (OMH)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.3 billion, an increase of \$31.1 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposals and recommends no changes.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$20 million to implement a Daniel’s Law Pilot Program.**
- **The Assembly provides \$2.5 million to increase funding for Safe Options Support (SOS) teams, for a total of \$11.5 million.**
- **The Assembly provides \$2.5 million to increase funding for the establishment of a hospital-based peer-bridger program and expansion of Intensive and Sustained Engagement Teams (INSET), for a total of \$6.3 million.**
- **The Assembly provides \$2.1 million to restore various legislative priorities.**
- **The Assembly provides \$2 million for Crisis Intervention Teams.**
- **The Assembly provides \$2 million to establish a Behavioral Health Technical Advisory Center**

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposals and recommends no changes.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal that would make the legal authority for agencies under the Department of Mental Hygiene to design and implement time limited demonstration programs permanent by extending this authority for one year until March 31, 2026.**

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal that would make permanent the legal authority for OMH and OPWDD to appoint a temporary operator by extending for one year until March 31, 2026.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would authorize a homeless youth to provide consent for behavioral health treatment.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand involuntary commitment, involuntary removal, and assisted outpatient treatment criteria by lowering the standard used to determine the need for involuntary treatment.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize a psychiatric nurse practitioner to certify a person for involuntary commitment.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish a diagnostic standard of care that requires clinicians to assess credibility of information about a person's recent behavior and other information.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand who can initiate the process for involuntary commitment and assisted outpatient treatment orders.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to allow testifying physicians to appear in assisted outpatient court proceedings via videoconference without the patient's consent.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal that would establish and fund a 2.1% Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by increasing the TII to 7.8%.**
- **The Assembly includes language to require hospitals to incorporate safety planning into the discharge plan for patients with high risk needs and communicate with post discharge service providers to coordinate community based services.**
- **The Assembly includes language to enhance hospital discharge planning for a person with complex needs brought in for psychiatric assessment, by securing community-based services and coordinating with care managers, community-based providers, residential programs, and make a referral for an intensive care management program or high intensity voluntary community-based services such as peer-bridger, assertive community treatment teams, or Intensive and sustained engagement teams.**
- **The Assembly includes language to ensure that voluntary services, including enhanced voluntary service packages, assertive community treatment teams or intensive and sustained engagement teams, are considered as an alternative to an assisted outpatient**

treatment order and require quarterly reviews to determine if the subject's treatment needs could be met with voluntary services.

- **The Assembly includes language to require the implementation of incident review panels upon the request of a local governmental unit when a serious incident occurs in the community and involves a person with a mental illness and establish public reporting requirements on the work of the incident review panels.**
- **The Assembly includes language to establish the Daniel's Law Behavioral Health Technical Advisory Center (BH-TAC) under the Office of Mental Health to develop standardized protocols and provide technical assistance for implementing a peer and behavioral health led crisis response system.**
- **The Assembly includes language to establish a statewide advisory council consisting of peers, behavioral health professionals, and people with lived experience in the behavioral health crisis delivery system to advise and make recommendations on policies and procedures on behavior health crisis services.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$10.1 billion, an increase of \$700,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$700,000 to restore various legislative initiatives.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the legal authorization for the OPWDD to implement managed long term care plans for an additional two years.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Justice Center for the Protection of People with Special Needs**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$63.3 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Miscellaneous: Health and Mental Health**

Targeted Inflationary Increase

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$575.7 million.

State Operations

- **Not applicable.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal by increasing the Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by 5.7%, for a total of 7.8%. The State Fiscal Year cost for the additional 5.7% TII for the Human Services agencies would be \$575.7 million, including:**
 - **\$314.6 million for the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities;**
 - **\$182.1 million for the Office of Mental Health;**
 - **\$33.9 million for the Office of Addiction Services and Supports;**
 - **\$32 million for the Office of Children and Family Services;**
 - **\$12.8 million for the State Office of the Aging; and**
 - **\$271,000 for the Office of Temporary Disability Assistance.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT &
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**

By Agency

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Adirondack Park Agency**

The Assembly provides an All-Funds appropriation of \$18.2 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Agriculture and Markets

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$379.9 million, an increase of \$15.8 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$64.2 million for Aid to Localities programs, an increase of \$10.8 million over the Executive Proposal as follows:
 - \$1.3 million for New York Farm Viability Institute, for a total of \$2.3 million;
 - \$1 million for Cornell University “Core” Diagnostic Lab, for a total of \$9.3 million;
 - \$950,000 for Grow NYC;
 - \$500,000 for Cornell University Pro-Dairy, for a total of \$2 million;
 - \$250,000 for Northeast Organic Farming Association;
 - \$250,000 for John May Farm Safety Fund, for a total of \$500,000;
 - \$149,000 for Cornell Vegetable Research, for a total of \$200,000;
 - \$125,000 for Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County;
 - \$100,000 for Cornell Harvest NY, for a total of \$700,000;
 - \$75,000 for Empire Sheep Producers;
 - \$74,000 for New York State Brewers, for a total of \$150,000;
 - \$49,000 for New York State Distillers Guild, for a total of \$125,000; and
 - \$31,000 for Cornell University Maple Research, for a total \$250,000.
- The Assembly fully restores the following:
 - \$1 million for Beginning Farmers;
 - \$1 million for Economically and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers;
 - \$758,500 for New York State Apple Growers Association, for a total of \$1.2 million;
 - \$700,000 for Farmland for a New Generation Resource Center & Navigator;
 - \$300,000 for Northern New York Agricultural Development;
 - \$300,000 for Cornell Hops Breeding Research and Extension;
 - \$250,000 for Cornell Pro-Livestock;
 - \$200,000 for Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship;

- \$150,000 for New York State Wine and Grape Foundation, for a total of \$1.23 million;
 - \$110,00 for Agricultural Child Care (Migrant), for a total of \$10.4 million;
 - \$100,000 for Cannabis Association of NY;
 - \$100,000 for Cannabis Farmers Alliance;
 - \$100,000 for Hop Growers of New York State;
 - \$100,000 for Black Farmers United of New York State, for a total of \$200,000;
 - \$50,000 for Local Fairs, for a total of \$550,000;
 - \$50,000 for Cornell Malting Barley Research, for a total of \$353,000;
 - \$50,000 for Maple Producers Association for a total of \$251,000;
 - \$50,000 for Cornell University Concord Grape Research, for a total of \$252,000;
 - \$49,000 for New York Corn and Soybean Growers, for a total of \$125,000;
 - \$41,500 for New York State Cider Association, for a total of \$117,500; and
 - \$20,000 for Cornell University Onion Research, for a total of \$71,000.
- The Assembly partially restores the following:
 - \$125,000 for Cornell Cooperative Extension - Bridging the Upstate-Downstate Food Network Divide.
- The Assembly provides funding for the following new programs:
 - \$150,000 for the creation of an online safety and health workforce training program, to be developed by the NY Center for Agricultural Medicine and Cornell University;
 - \$100,000 for City Harvest;
 - \$50,000 for the New York State Horse Council; and
 - \$50,000 for New York State Vegetable Growers Association.

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive Proposal that would add urban agriculture and regional food system support to current farmland protection initiatives and increase the maximum financial assistance that can be received for implementing these initiatives.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Economic Development

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$138.3 million, an increase of \$37.4 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly restores \$1 million in support for additional local tourism matching grants, which was eliminated in the Executive proposal.
- The Assembly provides additional support for the following programs:
 - \$16.4 million in additional funding for the Centers for Advanced Technology, thereby allocating a total of \$2 million for each center;
 - \$16 million for the Centers of Excellence, thereby allocating a total of \$2 million for each center;
 - \$3 million for the New York State Innovation Hot Spots and New York State Incubators, and
 - Expands the appropriation language within the New York State Hot Spots and Incubator program to allow for costs associated with the administration and coordination of regional hot spots throughout the State.
- The Assembly provides \$500,000 for the RNA Research and Therapeutics Center of Excellence with the University of Rochester and University at Albany.
- The Assembly provides \$250,000 for the Eastern NY satellite to the Cornell Center of Excellence for Food Agriculture.
- The Assembly provides \$250,000 for a new RPI Seed to City Center of Excellence.

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly includes with modifications the Executive proposal on the Linked Deposit program to retain the limitation that not more than \$100 million from the program shall be on deposit at any given time.**
- **The Assembly includes with modifications the Executive proposal on the Excelsior Jobs program to extend the program for five years, does not provide for the repeal of the Employee Training Incentive Program and provide that semiconductor workforce training be included in such program, make technical changes to the Semiconductor Research and Development Project Program and the clarify eligibility criteria for the Jobs Retention Program.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
New York State Energy Research and Development Authority**

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

State Operations

- **Not applicable.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the authorization for NYSERDA to receive an additional \$7 million from a utility assessment and include a requirement that NYSERDA conduct electric vehicle charging planning and a study related to energy affordability.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Environmental Conservation

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.8 billion, an increase of \$225 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

Environmental Protection Fund

- The Assembly proposal includes \$500 million for the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), an additional \$100 million over the Executive proposal. The Assembly makes various increases above the Executive proposal, including:
 - \$22.5 million for Land Acquisition, for a total of \$60 million;
 - \$10 million for Public Access and Stewardship, for a total of \$59 million;
 - \$6 million for Farmland Protection, for a total of \$27 million;
 - \$6 million for Municipal Recycling, for a total of \$25 million;
 - \$5.8 million for the Water quality Improvement Program, for a total of \$28 million;
 - \$5.5 million for the Oceans and Great Lakes Initiative, for a total of \$28 million;
 - \$5 million for Zoos, Botanical Gardens, and Aquaria (ZBGA), for a total of \$25 million;
 - \$5 million for Environmental Justice, for a total of \$18 million;
 - \$4.8 million for Climate Resilient Farms, for a total of \$20 million;
 - \$3.7 million for Environmental Health, for a total of \$14.9 million;
 - \$3.5 million for Invasive Species, for a total of \$22 million;
 - \$3.1 million for Municipal Parks, for a total of \$29 million;
 - \$3 million for the Long Island South Shore Estuary Preserve, for a total of \$5 million;
 - \$2.8 million for Soil and Water Conservation Districts, for a total of \$20 million;

- \$2 million for Hudson River Estuary Plan, for a total of \$9.5 million;
 - \$1.5 million for Climate Smart Communities Projects, for a total of \$13.5 million;
 - \$1.5 million for the Finger Lakes Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance (FLOWPA), for a total of \$5 million;
 - \$1.4 million for State Climate Adaptation Projects, for a total of \$7.9 million;
 - \$1 million for agriculture non-point source pollution control, for a total of \$19.5 million;
 - \$1 million for non-agriculture non-point source pollution control, for a total of \$7 million;
 - \$1 million for the Hudson River Park, for a total of \$5.4 million;
 - \$725,000 for Waterfront Revitalization, for a total of \$15 million;
 - \$675,000 for the Urban Farms and Community Garden Grants Program, for a total of \$3 million;
 - \$650,000 for Biodiversity Stewardship, for a total of \$2.5 million;
 - \$600,000 for Greenhouse Gas Management, for a total of \$3 million;
 - \$400,000 for the Pollution Prevention Institute, for a total of 5 million;
 - \$400,000 for the Albany Pine Bush Preserve Commission, for a total of \$3.5 million;
 - \$350,000 for Secondary Marketing, for a total of \$1 million;
 - \$200,000 for Smart Growth, for a total of \$4 million; and
 - \$100,000 for Agricultural Waste Management, for a total of \$2 million.
- The Assembly makes the following suballocations:
 - \$15 million for Inner City/Underserved Municipal Parks;
 - \$12 million for Adirondack and Catskill Park Overuse;
 - \$7.8 million for Invasive Species Eradication;
 - \$6 million for Food Waste Diversion;
 - \$5 million for Urban Forestry;
 - \$5 million for the Land Trust Alliance;
 - \$5 million for Environmental Justice Air Monitoring Grants;
 - \$5 million for Children’s Environmental Health Centers;
 - \$4.9 million for Fresh Connect and SNAP EBT;
 - \$4.5 million for Connect Kids;
 - \$4 million for Friends Group Capacity Grants;
 - \$3 million for Land Trust Conservation Easements;
 - \$3 million for Survey of Climate Change and Adirondack Lake Ecosystems (SCALE);
 - \$1.5 million for the Mohawk River Action Plan;
 - \$1.3 million for Timbuctoo, with an additional \$850,000 in SUNY;
 - \$1 million for the Community Forests Grants Program;
 - \$1 million for the Cornell Agrivoltaics Study;
 - \$1 million for the Stony Brook Phosphorous Removal Study;
 - \$1 million for the Peconic Bay Estuary;

- \$1 million for the Billion Oyster Project;
 - \$1 million for the Cornell Soil Health Program;
 - \$500,000 for Resiliency Planting;
 - \$500,000 for Agricultural Forestry;
 - \$500,000 for Suffolk County Nutrient Management;
 - \$500,000 for Save the Great South Bay;
 - \$250,000 for Adirondack Mountain Club Welcome Centers;
 - \$250,000 for Tivoli Park;
 - \$200,000 for the Wood Products Council;
 - \$200,000 for the Cary Institute;
 - \$200,000 for the Adirondack Watershed Institute; and
 - \$200,000 for the Atmospheric Sciences Research Center.
- The Assembly makes the following new suballocations:
 - \$2 million for the African American Experience Exhibit at the Adirondack Experience Museum;
 - \$1 million for Saranac Chain of Lakes carrying capacity study;
 - \$500,000 for Grassland Bird Conservation;
 - \$250,000 for Wildlife Research on State Lands; and
 - \$200,000 for technical assistance grants for community groups representing schools or daycare facilities impacted by brownfield site remedial programs.
 - The \$100 million increase to the EPF is funded by increasing the annual Real Estate Transfer Tax deposit into the EPF, from \$257.4 million to \$357.4 million.

Other Capital

- The Executive Budget proposes a \$500 million lump sum appropriation for clean water infrastructure. The Assembly provides an additional \$100 million, for a total of \$600 million, and allocates this funding as follows:
 - \$250 million for the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) and \$50 million for the Intermunicipal Water Infrastructure Grant program;
 - \$100 million for replacement of lead drinking water service lines;
 - \$72.5 million for projects to protect the New York City watershed;
 - \$70 million for water quality improvement projects;
 - \$30 million for septic systems and cesspools;
 - \$15 million for private drinking water well testing; and
 - \$12.5 million to address harmful algal blooms.
- The Assembly incudes \$150 million for the State Superfund Program, a \$25 million increase over the Executive Proposal.

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Waste Tire Management and Recycling fee for five years and expand the program to include tires purchased online by extending the fee for three years, clarifying the requirements for online retailers, and requiring DEC to report on the status of tire stockpiles and other information.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend, by five years, the deer hunting program for mentored youth by extending the program for two years.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to refinance and make programmatic changes to the State Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Program (Superfund) by increasing the amount of the refinancing; accepting some of the proposed cost recovery mechanisms; increasing planning, transparency, and reporting; increasing penalties; and requiring updated PFAS standards for air, soil and water.
- The Assembly includes a proposal that would create a program, to be funded with \$15 million of Clean Water Infrastructure Act Funding, to mitigate contamination from emerging contaminants in private wells.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit the manufacture, sale, or distribution of firefighting personal protective equipment that contains intentionally added PFAS.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to remove the requirement that state acquisition of conservation easements be approved by the Attorney General and exempt certain entities from real estate transfer taxes.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend, by five years, the statutory authority of DEC to manage crabs and horseshoe crabs through regulation.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Taxation and Finance to share petroleum tax data with DEC and NYSERDA to facilitate implementation of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Metropolitan Transportation Authority

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$11 billion, an increase of \$6 million over the Executive proposal. In addition, the Assembly provides a contingency appropriation of \$858.9 million.

The Assembly remains committed to discussing new revenues to fund the MTA capital program, guided by the following:

- The MTA requires long-term, stable sources of revenue, to support the capital program which are adequate to maintain a state of good repair and improve system reliability and service levels on the subway, bus, and commuter rail systems.**
- Such MTA revenue sources could include an increase to the payroll mobility tax, a fee on for-hire-vehicles rides, and a delivery surcharge.**

The Assembly remains committed to exploring ways to improve discount programs that make MTA services more affordable, including free and fare discounts on the commuter railroads and subway and buses.

State Operations

- Not applicable.**

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$32 million for the Verrazano Narrows Bridge Rebate Program, an increase of \$6 million above the Executive proposal.**

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to require the State to provide \$3 billion, and New York City to provide \$3 billion, to fund the 2025-2029 MTA Capital Plan.**

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the ability for municipalities to create mass transportation capital districts to facilitate tax increment financing of Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) capital projects for ten years. The modification would change the extension to one year.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the MTA's ability to obtain temporary or permanent use, control, or possession of vacant and underdeveloped real property owned by New York City for capital projects included in its capital plan through December 31, 2030. The modification would maintain the limited scope of capital project purposes where the agreements can be used.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to permanently require New York City to fund 80 percent of the MTA's paratransit program. The modification would extend the program for two years rather than make it permanent.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
New York Waterfront Commission**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.9 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to modify conditions for when the commission may temporarily suspend or revoke licenses, permits or registrations issued by the commission.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 New York State Gaming Commission

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$438 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to remove language replacing the existing pari-mutuel tax (PMT) structure with a simplified flat tax rate on live racing handle; remove language allowing potential future agreements between racing entities on the distribution of revenues to supersede existing provisions of law; establish that winning bets will be rounded to the nearest five cents; and extend certain PMT provisions for one year.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the reduced tax rate on slot machine gross gaming revenues from April 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028, for commercial casinos in Zone Two, to instead extend such provisions until June 30, 2031. Additionally, the Assembly includes language to ensure certain conditions are met in order for a licensed gaming facility located in the Tioga County region of zone five to maintain the reduced rate.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend Capital Off-Track Betting Corporation's authorization to use Capital Acquisition Funds to accept authorized wagers and meet statutory and contractual obligations by one year.

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to fund a three-year thoroughbred injury detection and prevention study by the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine of the fetlock joint through advanced imaging to clarify that upon conclusion of the study, Cornell would own any screening and imaging capital equipment purchased; clarify that excess money from the study would be deposited into the racing regulation account; require Cornell to release an annual report on the study's findings; specify that the research be conducted locations proximate to Belmont Park and Saratoga racetracks; and specify that the New York Racing Association's (NYRA) expenditure of \$2 million be used for the exclusive purchase of screening and imaging capital equipment.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Motor Vehicles

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$492.5 million, a reduction of \$2.5 million from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly does not include a \$2.5 million increase for the administrative adjudication program related to the Executive proposal to modify and expand the work zone speed camera program.

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal that would extend for five years, the online pre-licensing course program to prohibit persons 21 years of age and younger from taking the course online.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to modify abandoned vehicle criteria and the value at which ownership of certain abandoned vehicles would vest in the local authority.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to add or modify various provisions of law relating to driving while intoxicated or while ability is impaired by alcohol or drugs.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit New York City from allowing motor vehicles to stop, stand or park within 20 feet of a crosswalk located near elementary school grounds.

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to define class three e-bikes weighing 100 pounds or more as mopeds.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize New York City to establish maximum speed limits specifically in bicycle lanes and bicycle paths.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize certain state agencies and public authorities to establish programs to permanently enforce motor vehicle weight and axle weight restrictions with weigh-in-motion photo enforcement systems.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the New York City bus lane camera program to enforce laws prohibiting motor vehicles from obstructing traffic at intersections.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to modify and make permanent the law authorizing DOT and the Thruway Authority to operate work zone photo speed violation monitoring systems and expand this authorization to the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority and the New York Bridge Authority.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize DMV to issue Gold Star Family distinctive license plates.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Olympic Regional Development Authority

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$124.4 million, an increase of \$300,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Assembly provides \$300,000 to continue with planning and logistics for future national and international sporting events.**

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly modifies the Executive Proposal for \$110 million in total capital funding:**
 - **to include a carveout of \$10 million to create a grant program for independent ski mountains to acquire energy efficient snowmaking equipment; and**
 - **to require that the strategic modernization and investment plan approved by the by the Director of the Division of Budget be submitted to the Senate and Assembly.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to allow ORDA to enter into agreements for defense and indemnification purposes with other ski facilities.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$60 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly provides an additional \$50 million for NY Statewide Investment in More Swimming (NY SWIMS), for a total of \$100 million.**
- **The Assembly restores \$10 million in capital funding for zoos, botanical gardens, and aquaria.**
- **The Assembly amends appropriation language to ensure that the NY Works appropriation continues to fund projects at state parks and historic sites.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Public Service**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$355 million, an increase of \$200 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$200 million for the Energy Affordability Program to ensure that enrollment in the program can continue to grow and to extend program eligibility.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly modifies Executive proposal to authorize certain State agencies to receive funds from assessments on cable television and public utilities, from five years to one year.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to increase penalties on excavators that fail to notify utilities before undertaking construction by decreasing the proposed penalty and accepting the transfer of penalty revenue to the Environmental Protection Fund.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would require Energy Service Companies (ESCOs) to remit unclaimed customer deposits and refunds to the State Comptroller.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of State

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$899.7 million, an increase of \$208.3 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **The Assembly provides \$1 million for legislative task forces and commissions.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$90 million for entities providing workforce development, education, economic, healthcare, housing assistance and civic engagement programs in underserved communities.**
- **The Assembly provides \$50 million for the Communities Helping Improve Lives Daily Program for at risk- youth in high needs communities.**
- **The Assembly restores \$20 million and provides an additional \$10 million for programs that assist non-citizens.**
- **The Assembly transfers \$5 million for the New York State Community Commission on Reparations Remedies from the Office of Grand Series to the Department of State.**
- **The Assembly restores \$2 million and provides \$250,000 for the Public Utility Law Project (PULP), for a total of \$2.3 million.**

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly provides \$30 million in capital for the Communities Helping Improve Lives Daily program for at-risk youth in high needs communities.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to create additional safety features relating to consumer use of AI companion technology.**

- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish minimum refund policy standards for retailers, including requiring the disclosure of refund policies to the consumer and offering returns, refunds and exchanges within 30 days of purchases.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require subscription services to provide a clear conspicuous notice to consumers outlining the terms of the subscription renewal prior to renewing a subscription.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require businesses to notify consumers when pricing is established using algorithms based on individual's personal consumer data and prohibit sellers from engaging in price discrimination based on personal consumer data.**
- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to establish a commission overseeing the replacement of the Robert R. Livingston statue in the National Statuary Hall with a Harriet Tubman statue, ensuring the design meets U.S. Capitol requirements.**
- **The Assembly includes a one-year extension to the Legislative Commission.**
- **The Assembly includes an 18-month extension to the New York State Community Commission on Reparations Remedies.**

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Department of Taxation and Finance**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$525.2 million.

State Operations

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no change.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no change.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to establish that the use of the Department’s Online Services System (OLS) by a taxpayer to access tax information related to them does not confer protest rights before the Division of Tax Appeals (DTA). The proposal would also establish that notices through the OLS system related to past-due fixed and final liabilities do not confer hearing rights before the DTA.**
- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to establish that the filing of a tax warrant at the Department of State by the Department of Taxation and Finance (DTF) establishes the State’s lien priority, instead of the filing of a tax warrant at the county clerk where tax debtor owns real property. DTF would still be required to file a copy of such warrant with the clerk of the county named in the warrant.**
- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend for five years current provisions authorizing the Department of Taxation and Finance to use the financial institution data match system for the State collection of past-due fixed and final tax debts, as well as allows the Department to serve warrantless income executions on individual tax debtors and if**

necessary, on the employers of such debtors. These present law provisions are otherwise scheduled to expire on April 1, 2025.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of Tax Appeals**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.5 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **Not applicable.**

Capital Projects

- **Not applicable.**

Article VII

- **Not applicable.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Department of Transportation

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$14.6 billion, an increase of \$317.1 million over the Executive Proposal.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly provides \$356.5 million for upstate transit operating assistance, an increase of \$12.1 million above the Executive proposal, reflecting a \$23.3 million, or seven percent, increase from last year.**
- **The Assembly provides \$1 million in one-time operating funding to the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CENTRO) for the costs associated with incorporating Cortland County into their service area.**
- **The Assembly provides \$32 million for the Verrazano Narrows Bridge Rebate Program, an increase of \$6 million above the Executive proposal.**

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly provides \$1.48 billion in Local Capital Aid, an increase of \$150 million over the Executive proposal, including:**
 - **\$50 million for Local Pave NY, which is distributed through the CHIPs formula, for a total of \$200 million;**
 - **\$50 million for the State Touring Route program, for a total of \$190 million; and**
 - **\$50 million for a new competitive grant program for costs associated with ADA compliance for local road projects, such as curb cuts.**
- **The Assembly provides \$319.5 million for non-MTA Transit Capital, an increase of \$100 million over the Executive proposal, including:**
 - **\$26 million for the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA) light rail system;**

- **\$20 million for Upstate Transit Capital, for a total of \$40 million; and**
 - **\$54 million for non-MTA transit capital statewide, for a total of \$253.5 million.**
- **The Assembly provides an increase of \$35.5 million for passenger rail projects, for a total of \$45.5 million.**
- **The Assembly provides an increase of \$12.5 million for the Aviation Capital Grant Program, for a total of \$25 million.**
- **The Assembly reallocates appropriations for engineering costs to support DOT State workforce engineers.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal that would add Cortland County to the State Transportation Operating Assistance (STOA) formula for the distribution of STOA aid to the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CENTRO) for mass transportation services to be provided in Cortland County by CENTRO.**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Urban Development Corporation

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.5 billion, an increase of \$641.9 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- **Not applicable.**

Aid to Localities

- **The Assembly proposes to restore:**
 - **\$5 million for Alive Downtowns!, and provides an additional \$2.5 million, for a total of \$7.5 million; and**
 - **\$365,000 for the Minority and Women-Owned Business Development and Lending Program, for a total of \$1 million.**
- **The Assembly proposes to provide:**
 - **\$7 million in support of various economic initiatives;**
 - **\$5 million to establish an Adult-use Cannabis Cultivator and Microbusiness Revolving Loan Fund; and**
 - **\$1 million for not-for-profit small theater venues located outside New York City.**
- **The Assembly does not include \$9 million in funding for the CATALIST NY program.**

Capital Projects

- **The Assembly proposes to restore:**
 - **\$50 million for the Restore NY Communities Initiative; and**
 - **\$15 million for another round of New York Fund for Innovation in Research and Scientific Talent (NYFIRST) to support academic medical centers.**

- **The Assembly proposes to provide:**
 - **\$200 million for public and private museums, as well as arts and cultural organizations;**
 - **\$200 million for various capital improvements to municipal, educational institution, and other not-for-profit owned sport facilities, as well as municipal and not-for-profit owned convention centers across the State;**
 - **\$100 million for infrastructure improvements to produce, meat, and farmers markets, and other food hubs across the State;**
 - **\$100 million for the FAST-NY Shovel-Ready Grant Program for a total of \$200 million; and**
 - **\$100 million in additional funding to enhance the Redevelopment of Underutilized Sites for Housing (NY-RUSH) program, for a total of \$350 million and modifies the Executive proposal to require projects be approved by the legislature.**
- **The Assembly proposes to shift \$135 million in funding intended for the NYS Museum within the Executive Championing Albany’s Potential Initiative from Urban Development Corporation to the State Education Department.**
- **The Assembly supports the redevelopment of seven acres at Wadsworth Laboratory Harriman Campus for mixed-use development.**

Article VII

- **The Assembly proposes to modify the Executive proposal to extend the authorization of the Urban Development Corporation to administer the Economic Development for three years, to instead extend the authorization for one year.**
- **The Assembly proposes to modify the Executive proposal to extend the general loan powers of the Urban Development Corporation for three years, to instead extend the authorization for one year.**
- **The Assembly proposes to not include the Executive proposal to establish the Companies Attracting Talent to Advance Leading Innovations and Scale Technologies in New York Program (CATALIST NY).**

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Miscellaneous: Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental

Sustainable Future Program

- **The 2025-26 Executive Budget proposes a \$1 billion appropriation for the Sustainable Future Program. The Assembly amends the appropriation language to include a reporting requirement, ensure that disadvantaged communities will receive 35 percent, with a goal of 40 percent, of program benefits, and allocate the \$1 billion as follows:**
 - **\$330 million for the Empower Plus program, including for pre-electrification building improvements;**
 - **\$200 million for electric school buses and related infrastructure;**
 - **\$150 million for thermal energy networks;**
 - **\$100 million for fast EV chargers and related infrastructure. The Assembly supports the development of fast charging stations and supporting infrastructure for municipal, commercial, heavy-duty, and fleet vehicles, in support of achieving zero emission vehicle goals, but also in recognition of the essential role sufficient charging infrastructure will play in achieving those goals, even with DEC's proposed five-year delay on enforcing the regulatory Advanced Clean Truck Rule;**
 - **\$100 million for the P-12 Initiative (formerly Clean Green Schools);**
 - **\$100 million for Charge Ready NY; and**
 - **\$20 million for a mechanical insulation incentive program for projects in municipal buildings and public hospitals and schools.**

Hudson River Park Trust

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

New York Power Authority

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

Public Facilities Sustainability Program

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

Green Thumb Program

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

Greenway Heritage Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley

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

Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council

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

LEGISLATURE & JUDICIARY

By Agency

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Legislature

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$300.7 million.

State Operations

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

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes a one-year extension of the Legislative Commission.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Judiciary

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.1 billion, an increase of \$6.8 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides \$6.8 million for problem solving courts.

Aid to Localities

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

Capital Projects

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

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish the interest rate on a judgment or accrued claim consistent with the one-year United States treasury bill rate.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to provide rent regulated tenant's security deposit protections that are currently provided to other tenants.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to amend the definition of a vacant dwelling and provide that a property may be found abandoned when it has certain property maintenance code violations outstanding for at least one year.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to establish a 75-day waiting period before covered entities can purchase a single or two-family home, in addition to establishing compliance procedures and granting the Office of the Attorney General enforcement authority. The Assembly proposal also lowers the monetary threshold for covered entities from \$50 million to \$5 million, imposes tax limitations on depreciation and interest deductions for covered properties owned by institutional real estate investor, amends cease and desist provisions to grant property owners automatic protection from real estate solicitors, requires property owners to affirmatively opt out

of the cease-and-desist protection, and requires the Secretary of State to maintain an opt-out list.

DEBT SERVICE

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26 Capital and Debt

The Assembly accepts the Debt Service appropriation of \$10.7 billion. The Assembly provides All Funds Capital appropriations totaling \$33.9 billion, an increase of \$6.7 billion over the Executive.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$2.2 billion in additional support for the Housing Capital Plan, including:
 - \$750 million for Mitchell-Lama Preservation;
 - \$750 million for NYCHA;
 - \$225 million for Public Housing outside of New York City;
 - \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Co-op Program;
 - \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Rental Program;
 - \$100 million for NY-RUSH;
 - \$100 million for the Homeless Housing and Assistance Program;
 - \$40 million for Land Banks;
 - \$7 million for the Small Rental Housing Development Initiative;
 - \$3 million for the Access to Home program; and
 - \$2.6 million for the HOPE/Restore program.

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide additional support for the following initiatives:
 - \$500 million for SUNY Hospitals, for a total of \$1.3 billion;
 - \$119 million for CUNY Senior Colleges, for a total of \$403 million;
 - \$100 million for Native American Schools Capital, for a total of \$120 million;
 - \$100 million for Clean Water Infrastructure, for a total of \$600 million;

- \$100 million for FAST NY, for a total of \$200 million;
 - \$100 million to the Environmental Protection Fund, for a total of \$500 million;
 - \$60 million for Arts and Cultural Grants, for a total of \$100 million;
 - \$50 million to NY SWIMS, for a total of \$100 million;
 - \$35.5 million to modernize rail services, for a total of \$60.5 million;
 - \$34 million for Library Capital Grants, for a total of \$68 million;
 - \$25 million to the State Superfund, for a total of \$150 million;
 - \$10 million for volunteer fire department grants, for a total of \$35 million;
 - \$5 million for animal shelters, for a total of \$10 million; and
 - \$4.5 million for Schools for the Blind and Deaf, for a total of \$11.5 million.
- The Assembly proposes the following initiatives:
 - \$1 billion for Healthcare Facilities Capital;
 - \$600 million for SUNY Research Facilities;
 - \$300 for SUNY Critical Maintenance;
 - \$250 million for CUNY State of Good Repair;
 - \$200 million for Museums and Arts and Cultural Organizations;
 - \$200 million for Sport Facilities and Convention Centers across the State;
 - \$109 million for CUNY Information Technology Initiatives;
 - \$100 million for Food Hubs;
 - \$54 million for non-MTA Transit Capital;
 - \$50 million for the Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment program;
 - \$50 million for ADA Curb Compliance through Pave NY Formula;
 - \$50 million for Local Pave NY;
 - \$50 million for State Touring Routes;
 - \$50 million for RESTORE NY's Community Initiatives;
 - \$40 million for HECAP;
 - \$30 million for Alternatives to Incarceration;
 - \$30 million for Communities Helping Improve Lives Daily program (CHILD);
 - \$26 million for the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority;
 - \$20 million for Upstate Transit Capital;
 - \$20 million for State Education Administrative Maintenance;
 - \$15 million for NY-First;
 - \$12.5 million for Aviation Capital;
 - \$10 million for ZBGA Parks Capital;
 - \$5 million for DCJS Ankle Monitors; and
 - \$2 million for School of Labor and Urban Studies.
 - The Assembly shifts the Executive proposed \$135 million for the City of Albany Capital Investments for the State Museum from the Urban Development Corporation to the State Education Department.

Article VII

- **The Assembly accepts 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 Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the New York State Comptroller to transfer \$25 million from various State Bond Funds to the General Debt Service Fund to redeem or defease outstanding State bonds.**
- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Comptroller to separately deposit monies received from the Roswell Park Cancer Institute corporation and its subsidiaries from the Department of Health Income Fund upon the defeasance of bonds through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.**
- **The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York's authorization to enter into design and construction management agreements with the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historical Preservation for an additional two years.**
- **The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to authorize the authorization of Personal Income Tax Revenue Bonds issuers to issue Personal Income Tax Revenue Bonds from permanently to four years, omits the Housing Finance Authority and Environmental Facilities Corporation as authorized issuers.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the permanent issuance of up to \$3 billion in short-term PIT notes.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to provide services to libraries chartered by the board of regents or incorporated under not-for-profit corporation law.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize DASNY to provide services to any agency or municipal project that is wholly or in part funded by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, allows grant administration services to the Department of Environmental Conservation.**
- **The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the authorization of the Private Activity Bond Allocation Act for three years.**

- **The Assembly modifies the following bond caps:**
 - **Economic Development Initiatives increased from \$20.9 billion to \$23.4 billion;**
 - **SUNY Education Facilities increased from \$19.0 billion to \$21.9 billion;**
 - **Transportation Initiatives increased from \$15.2 billion to \$17.2 billion;**
 - **Housing Programs increased from \$14.5 billion to \$18.7 billion;**
 - **CHIPS and Local Highway Projects increased from \$14.8 billion to \$15.9 billion;**
 - **CUNY Education Facilities increased from \$11.8 billion to \$12.7 billion;**
 - **Environmental Infrastructure increased from \$10.9 billion to \$13.5 billion;**
 - **ITS and Department of Law increased from \$1.7 billion to \$1.9 billion;**
 - **Corrections and Community Supervision increased from \$10.3 billion to \$11.1 billion;**
 - **Homeland Security increased from \$ 522.5 million to \$560.5 million;**
 - **Youth Facilities increased from \$1.1 billion to \$1.2 billion;**
 - **Library Facilities increased from \$411 million to \$479 million; and**
 - **Special Schools increased from \$396.9 million to \$701.9 million.**

- **The Assembly proposes the following bond caps:**
 - **\$6.2 billion for Health Facilities, an increase of \$1 billion;**
 - **\$465 million for Higher Education Capital Matching Grants, an increase of \$40 million; and**
 - **\$220 million for the Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program, an increase of \$50 million.**