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AN ACT to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to the creation of a special license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail for consumption off the premises (Part A); to amend the alcoholic beverage control law, in relation to alcohol in certain motion picture theatres, and providing for the expiration and repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof (Part B); to amend the tax law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the school tax reduction credit for residents of a city with a population of one million or more; and to repeal section 54-f of the state financial law relating thereto (Part C); to amend the real property tax law, in relation to the maximum amount of tax savings allowable under the STAR program (Part D); to amend the real property tax law and the tax law, in relation to making the STAR income verification program mandatory; and repealing certain provisions of such laws relating thereto (Part E); to amend the real property tax law, in relation to authorizing partial payments of property taxes (Part F); to amend the tax law, in relation to the STAR personal income tax credit (Part G); to amend the real property tax law and the tax law, in relation to the applicability of the STAR credit to cooperative apartment corporations; and repealing certain provisions of the tax law relating thereto (Part H); to amend chapter 540 of the laws of 1992, amending the real property tax law relating to oil and gas charges, in relation to the effectiveness thereof (Part I); to amend the state finance law, in relation to the veterans' home assistance fund (Part J); to amend the economic development law and the tax law, in relation to life sciences companies (Part K); to amend the economic development law, in relation to the employee training incentive

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[] is old law to be omitted.

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program (Part L); to amend the tax law, in relation to extending the empire state film production credit and empire state film post production credit for three years (Part M); to amend the labor law and the tax law, in relation to a program to provide tax incentives for employers employing at risk youth (Part N); to amend the tax law, relation to extending the alternative fuels and electric vehicle recharging property credit for five years (Part O); to amend the tax in relation to the investment tax credit (Part P); to amend the tax law, in relation to the treatment of single member limited liability companies that are disregarded entities in determining eligibility for tax credits (Part Q); to amend the tax law, in relation to extending the top personal income tax rate for three years; and to repeal subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (a), subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (b) and subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (c) of section 601 of the tax law, relating to the imposition of tax (Part R); to amend the tax law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to permanently extending the high income charitable contribution deduction limitation (Part S); to amend the tax law, in relation to increasing the child and dependent care tax credit (Part T); to amend the tax law, in relation to the financial institution data match system for state tax collection purposes (Part U); to amend the civil service law and the tax law, in relation to tax clearances for applicants for civil service employment (Part V); to amend chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, amending the civil practice law and rules and other laws relating to malpractice and professional medical conduct, in relation to apportioning premium for certain policies; to amend part J of chapter 63 of the laws of 2001 amending chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, amending the civil practice law and rules and other laws relating to malpractice and professional medical conduct, in relation to extending certain provisions concerning the hospital excess liability pool; and to amend the tax law, relation to extending certain provisions concerning the hospital excess liability pool and requiring a tax clearance for doctors and dentists to be eligible for such excess coverage (Part W); to amend chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, amending the tax law relating to serving an income execution with respect to individual tax debtors without filing a warrant, in relation to making the provisions authorizing service of income executions on individual tax debtors without filing a warrant permanent (Part X); to amend the tax law, in relation to the taxation of S corporations; and to repeal certain provisions of such law relating thereto (Part Y); to amend the tax law, in relation to the definition of New York source income (Part Z); to close the nonresident partnership asset sale loophole (Part AA); to amend the tax law, in relation to requiring marketplace providers to collect sales tax (Part BB); to amend the tax law, in relation to closing the existing tax loopholes for transactions between related entities under article 28 and pursuant to the authority of article 29 of such law (Part CC); to amend the tax law, in relation to clarifying the imposition of sales tax on gas service or electric service of whatever nature (Part DD); to amend the tax law and the county law, in relation to the imposition of a surcharge on prepaid wireless communications service and devices (Part EE); to amend the public health law and the education law, in relation to tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, and vapor products; and to amend the tax law, in relation to imposing a tax on vapor products (Part FF); to amend the tax law in relation to the amount of untaxed cigarettes required to seize a vehicle and to



increase the penalty for the possession or sale of counterfeit tax stamps or the device necessary to manufacture such stamps (Part GG); to amend the tax law, in relation to authorizing jeopardy assessments on cigarette and tobacco product taxes assessed under article 20 thereof (Part HH); to amend the tax law, in relation to the imposition of a tax on cigars under article 20 thereof (Part II); to amend the tax in relation to the definition of a conveyance for real estate transfer taxes (Part JJ); to amend the tax law, in relation to the additional real estate transfer tax (Part KK); to amend the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, in relation to modifying the funding of and improve the operation of drug testing in horse racing (Part LL); to amend the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, the executive law, and the general municipal law, in relation to the operation of charitable gaming; to amend the social services law, in relation to penalties for unauthorized transactions relating to certain public assistance; to amend the tax law, in relation to certain income derived from the conduct of certain games of chance; and to repeal certain provisions of the executive law and the general municipal law relating thereto (Part MM); to amend the racing, parimutuel wagering and breeding law, in relation to allowing for the reprivatization of NYRA, and under certain circumstances racing after sunset and a reduction in winter racing days (Part NN); to amend the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, in relation to licenses for simulcast facilities, sums relating to track simulcast, simulcast out-of state thoroughbred races, simulcasting of races run by outof-state harness tracks and distributions of wagers; to amend chapter 281 of the laws of 1994 amending the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law and other laws relating to simulcasting and chapter 346 of the laws of 1990 amending the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law and other laws relating to simulcasting and the imposition of certain taxes, in relation to extending certain provisions thereof; and to amend the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, in relation to extending certain provisions thereof (Part 00); to amend the tax law, in relation to vendor fees paid to vendor tracks (Part PP); to amend the tax law, in relation to capital awards to vendor tracks (Part QQ); and to amend the state finance law, in relation to the distribution of certain gaming aid; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof (Part RR)

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. This act enacts into law major components of legislation which are necessary to implement the state fiscal plan for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year. Each component is wholly contained within a Part identified as Parts A through RR. The effective date for each particular provision contained within such Part is set forth in the last section of such Part. Any provision in any section contained within a Part, including the effective date of the Part, which makes a reference to a section "of this act", when used in connection with that particular component, shall be deemed to mean and refer to the corresponding section of the Part in which it is found. Section three of this act sets forth the general effective date of this act.

12 PART A

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- 1 Section 1. The alcoholic beverage control law is amended by adding a 2 new section 63-b to read as follows:
- § 63-b. Special license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail for consumption off the premises. 1. Any person with a written agreement with the department of agriculture and markets to operate a "Taste NY" store may make application to the authority for a special license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail for consumption off the licensed premises subject to the provisions of such written agreement and those set forth herein. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no alcoholic beverage shall be sold or tastings allowed on the thruway.
- 2. An application for a license under this section shall be in such form and shall contain such information as shall be required by the authority and shall be accompanied by a check or draft in the amount required by this chapter.
 - 3. Section fifty-four of this chapter shall control so far as is applicable to the procedure in connection with such application.
 - 4. A license under this section shall be issued to all eligible applicants except for good cause shown, provided, however, that no more than ten such licenses shall be in effect at any time, and that all such licenses shall be issued in a manner consistent with federal law and regulations. Such license shall be limited to the premises subject to the written agreement with the department of agriculture and markets.
- 5. A license under this section shall not be subject to the provisions of subdivisions two, three and six of section one hundred five of this chapter.
- 6. Subject to any further restriction contained in the agreement with the department of agriculture and markets, the holder of a license issued under this section may offer samples of alcoholic beverages to customers to be consumed on the licensed premises upon the following conditions:
 - (a) no fee shall be charged for any sample;
 - (b) each sample shall be limited;

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- 33 <u>(i) in the case of beer, wine products and cider, to three ounces or</u> 34 <u>less;</u>
 - (ii) in the case of wine, to two ounces;
 - (iii) in the case of liquor, to one-quarter ounce;
 - (c) no sample shall be provided to a customer during the hours prohibited by the provisions of subdivision five of section one hundred six of this chapter; and
 - (d) no customer may be provided with more than three samples in one calendar day.
- 7. Subject to any further restriction contained in the agreement with the department of agriculture and markets, the holder of a license issued under this section shall not:
 - (a) offer any tastings of, or sell, any beer or cider except during the hours in which beer may be sold for consumption off the premises in the county in which the licensed premises is located; and
- 48 (b) offer any tastings of, or sell, any liquor or wine except during
 49 the hours in which liquor and wine may be sold for consumption off the
 50 premises in the county in which the licensed premises is located.
- 8. In addition to the sale of alcoholic beverages, the following items
 may be sold at a premises licensed under this section:
- 53 (a) non-alcoholic beverages for consumption off premises, including 54 but not limited to bottled water, juice and soda beverages;
- 55 (b) food items grown or produced in this state not specifically 56 prepared for immediate consumption upon the premises; and

- 1 (c) souvenir items, which shall include, but not be limited to
 2 artwork, crafts, clothing, agricultural products and any other articles
 3 which can be construed to propagate tourism within the state.
- 9. A license issued under this section shall be effective for three years at three times the annual fee.

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- § 2. Subdivision 3 of section 17 of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by section 3 of chapter 297 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. To revoke, cancel or suspend for cause any license or permit issued under this chapter and/or to impose a civil penalty for cause against 10 any holder of a license or permit issued pursuant to this chapter. Any 11 civil penalty so imposed shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand 13 dollars as against the holder of any retail permit issued pursuant to 14 sections ninety-five, ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine-d, and paragraph f of subdivision one of section ninety-nine-b of this chapter, 16 and as against the holder of any retail license issued pursuant to 17 sections fifty-three-a, fifty-four, fifty-four-a, fifty-five, fifty-18 five-a, sixty-three, sixty-three-b, sixty-four, sixty-four-a, sixty-19 four-b, sixty-four-c, seventy-six-f, seventy-nine, eighty-one and eighty-one-a of this chapter, and the sum of thirty thousand dollars as 20 21 against the holder of a license issued pursuant to sections fifty-three, sixty-one-a, sixty-one-b, seventy-six, seventy-six-a, and seventy-eight 23 of this chapter, provided that the civil penalty against the holder of a wholesale license issued pursuant to section fifty-three of this chapter shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars where that licensee 26 violates provisions of this chapter during the course of the sale of 27 beer at retail to a person for consumption at home, and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars as against the holder of any license issued 29 pursuant to sections fifty-one, sixty-one, and sixty-two of this chapter. Any civil penalty so imposed shall be in addition to and separate 30 and apart from the terms and provisions of the bond required pursuant to 31 section one hundred twelve of this chapter. Provided that no appeal is 32 33 pending on the imposition of such civil penalty, in the event such civil penalty imposed by the division remains unpaid, in whole or in part, more than forty-five days after written demand for payment has been sent by first class mail to the address of the licensed premises, a notice of 37 impending default judgment shall be sent by first class mail to the 38 licensed premises and by first class mail to the last known home address 39 of the person who signed the most recent license application. The notice 40 impending default judgment shall advise the licensee: (a) that a 41 civil penalty was imposed on the licensee; (b) the date the penalty was 42 imposed; (c) the amount of the civil penalty; (d) the amount of the 43 civil penalty that remains unpaid as of the date of the notice; (e) the 44 violations for which the civil penalty was imposed; and (f) that a judg-45 ment by default will be entered in the supreme court of the county in which the licensed premises are located, or other court of civil juris-47 diction or any other place provided for the entry of civil judgments 48 within the state of New York unless the division receives full payment 49 of all civil penalties due within twenty days of the date of the notice of impending default judgment. If full payment shall not have been 51 received by the division within thirty days of mailing of the notice of impending default judgment, the division shall proceed to enter with such court a statement of the default judgment containing the amount of the penalty or penalties remaining due and unpaid, along with proof of 54 55 mailing of the notice of impending default judgment. The filing of such judgment shall have the full force and effect of a default judgment duly

docketed with such court pursuant to the civil practice law and rules and shall in all respects be governed by that chapter and may be enforced in the same manner and with the same effect as that provided by law in respect to execution issued against property upon judgments of a court of record. A judgment entered pursuant to this subdivision shall remain in full force and effect for eight years notwithstanding any other provision of law.

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§ 3. Subdivision 3 of section 17 of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by section 4 of chapter 297 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

3. To revoke, cancel or suspend for cause any license or permit issued under this chapter and/or to impose a civil penalty for cause against any holder of a license or permit issued pursuant to this chapter. Any civil penalty so imposed shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars as against the holder of any retail permit issued pursuant to sections ninety-five, ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine-d, and paragraph f of subdivision one of section ninety-nine-b of this chapter, and as against the holder of any retail license issued pursuant to sections fifty-three-a, fifty-four, fifty-four-a, fifty-five, fiftyfive-a, sixty-three, sixty-three-b, sixty-four, sixty-four-a, sixtyfour-b, sixty-four-c, seventy-six-f, seventy-nine, eighty-one, eighty-one-a of this chapter, and the sum of thirty thousand dollars as against the holder of a license issued pursuant to sections fifty-three, sixty-one-a, sixty-one-b, seventy-six, seventy-six-a and seventy-eight of this chapter, provided that the civil penalty against the holder of a wholesale license issued pursuant to section fifty-three of this chapter shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars where that licensee violates provisions of this chapter during the course of the sale of beer at retail to a person for consumption at home, and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars as against the holder of any license issued pursuant to sections fifty-one, sixty-one and sixty-two of this chapter. Any civil penalty so imposed shall be in addition to and separate and apart from the terms and provisions of the bond required pursuant to section one hundred twelve of this chapter. Provided that no appeal is 35 pending on the imposition of such civil penalty, in the event such civil penalty imposed by the division remains unpaid, in whole or in part, more than forty-five days after written demand for payment has been sent by first class mail to the address of the licensed premises, a notice of impending default judgment shall be sent by first class mail to the licensed premises and by first class mail to the last known home address of the person who signed the most recent license application. The notice of impending default judgment shall advise the licensee: (a) that a civil penalty was imposed on the licensee; (b) the date the penalty was imposed; (c) the amount of the civil penalty; (d) the amount of the civil penalty that remains unpaid as of the date of the notice; (e) the violations for which the civil penalty was imposed; and (f) that a judgment by default will be entered in the supreme court of the county in which the licensed premises are located, or other court of civil jurisdiction, or any other place provided for the entry of civil judgments within the state of New York unless the division receives full payment of all civil penalties due within twenty days of the date of the notice of impending default judgment. If full payment shall not have been received by the division within thirty days of mailing of the notice of impending default judgment, the division shall proceed to enter with such court a statement of the default judgment containing the amount of the penalty or penalties remaining due and unpaid, along with proof of

mailing of the notice of impending default judgment. The filing of such judgment shall have the full force and effect of a default judgment duly docketed with such court pursuant to the civil practice law and rules and shall in all respects be governed by that chapter and may be enforced in the same manner and with the same effect as that provided by law in respect to execution issued against property upon judgments of a 7 court of record. A judgment entered pursuant to this subdivision shall remain in full force and effect for eight years notwithstanding any other provision of law.

§ 4. Subdivision 1 of section 56-a of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by chapter 422 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

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- 1. In addition to the annual fees provided for in this chapter, there shall be paid to the authority with each initial application for a license filed pursuant to section fifty-one, fifty-one-a, fifty-two, fifty-three, fifty-eight, fifty-eight-c, fifty-eight-d, sixty-two, seventy-six, seventy-seven or seventy-eight of this chapter, a filing fee of four hundred dollars; with each initial application for a license filed pursuant to section sixty-three, sixty-three-b, sixtyfour, sixty-four-a or sixty-four-b of this chapter, a filing fee of two hundred dollars; with each initial application for a license filed pursuant to section fifty-three-a, fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-five-a, seventy-nine, eighty-one or eighty-one-a of this chapter, a filing fee of one hundred dollars; with each initial application for a permit filed pursuant to section ninety-one, ninety-one-a, ninety-two, ninety-two-a, ninety-three, ninety-three-a, if such permit is to be issued on a calendar year basis, ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-six or ninety-six-a, or pursuant to paragraph b, c, e or j of subdivision one of section ninety-nine-b of this chapter if such permit is to be issued on a calendar year basis, or for an additional bar pursuant to subdivision four of section one hundred of this chapter, a filing fee of twenty dollars; and with each application for a permit under section ninety-three-a of this chapter, other than a permit to be issued on a calendar year basis, section ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, or ninety-nine-b of this chapter, other than a permit to be issued pursuant to paragraph b, c, e or j of subdivision one of section ninety-nine-b of this chapter on a calendar year basis, a filing fee of ten dollars.
- 38 § 5. Subdivision 2 of section 56-a of the alcoholic beverage control 39 law, as amended by chapter 422 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read 40 as follows:
- 2. In addition to the annual fees provided for in this chapter, there shall be paid to the authority with each renewal application for a license filed pursuant to section fifty-one, fifty-one-a, fifty-two, fifty-three, fifty-eight, fifty-eight-c, fifty-eight-d, sixty-one, sixty-two, seventy-six, seventy-seven or seventy-eight of this chapter, a filing fee of one hundred dollars; with each renewal application for a license filed pursuant to section sixty-three, sixty-three-b, sixtyfour, sixty-four-a or sixty-four-b of this chapter, a filing fee of ninety dollars; with each renewal application for a license filed pursuant to section seventy-nine, eighty-one or eighty-one-a of this chapter, 51 a filing fee of twenty-five dollars; and with each renewal application for a license or permit filed pursuant to section fifty-three-a, fiftyfour, fifty-five, fifty-five-a, ninety-one, ninety-one-a, ninety-two, ninety-two-a, ninety-three, ninety-three-a, if such permit is issued on a calendar year basis, ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-six or ninety-55 six-a of this chapter or pursuant to paragraph b, c, e or j of subdivi-

sion one of section ninety-nine-b, if such permit is issued on a calendar year basis, or with each renewal application for an additional bar pursuant to subdivision four of section one hundred of this chapter, a filing fee of thirty dollars.

§ 6. Section 66 of the alcoholic beverage control law is amended by adding a new subdivision 11 to read as follows:

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- 11. The annual fee for a special license to sell alcoholic beverages at retail for consumption off the licensed premises shall be five hundred dollars.
- 10 § 7. Section 67 of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by 11 section 4 of part Z of chapter 85 of the laws of 2002, is amended to 12 read as follows:
 - § 67. License fees, duration of licenses; fee for part of year. Effective April first, nineteen hundred eighty-three, licenses issued pursuant to sections sixty-one, sixty-two, sixty-three, sixty-three-b, sixty-four, sixty-four-a and sixty-four-b of this article shall be effective for three years at three times that annual fee[, except that, in implementing the purposes of this section, the liquor authority shall schedule the commencement dates, duration and expiration dates thereof to provide for an equal cycle of license renewals issued under each such section through the course of the fiscal year. Effective December first, nineteen hundred ninety-eight, licenses issued pursuant to sections sixty-four, sixty-four-a and sixty-four-b of this article shall be effective for two years at two times that annual fee, except that, implementing the purposes of this section, the liquor authority shall schedule the commencement dates, duration and expiration dates thereof to provide for an equal cycle of license renewals issued under each such section through the course of the fiscal year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, commencing on December first, nineteen hundred ninety-eight and concluding on July thirty-first, two thousand two, a licensee issued a license pursuant to section sixty-four, sixty-four-a or sixty-four-b of this article may elect to remit the fee for such license in equal annual installments. Such installments shall be due on dates established by the liquor authority and the failure of a licensee to have remitted such annual installments after a due date shall be a violation of this chapter. For licenses issued for less than the three-year licensing period, the license fee shall be levied on a pro-rated basis]. license fee shall be due and payable at the time of application. liquor authority may make such rules as shall be appropriate to carry out the purpose of this section.
 - § 8. Subdivision 8 of section 100 of the alcoholic beverage control law, as added by chapter 256 of the laws of 1978 and as renumbered by chapter 466 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:
 - 8. Within ten days after filing a new application to sell liquor retail under section sixty-three, sixty-three-b, sixty-four, sixty-four-a or sixty-four-b of this chapter, a notice thereof, in the form prescribed by the authority, shall be posted by the applicant in a conspicuous place at the entrance to the proposed premises. The applicant shall make reasonable efforts to insure such notice shall remain posted throughout the pendency of the application. The provisions hereof shall apply only where no retail liquor license has previously been granted for the proposed premise and shall, specifically, not be applicable to a proposed sale of an existing business engaged in the retail sale of liquor. The authority may adopt such rules it may deem necessary to carry out the purpose of this subdivision.

- § 9. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that:
- (a) the amendments to subdivision 3 of section 17 of the alcoholic beverage control law made by section two of this act shall be subject to the expiration and reversion of such section pursuant to section 4 of chapter 118 of the laws of 2012, as amended, when upon such date the provisions of section three of this act shall take effect; and
- (b) if chapter 422 of the laws of 2016 shall not have taken effect on or before such date then sections four and five of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as such chapter of the laws of 2016, takes effect.

12 PART B

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- 13 Section 1. Section 106 of the alcoholic beverage control law is 14 amended by adding a new subdivision 16 to read as follows:
 - 16. A person holding a retail on-premises license for a movie theatre, other than a license for a movie theatre that meets the definitions of restaurant and meals, and where all seating is at tables where meals are served, shall:
 - (a) for every purchase of an alcoholic beverage, require the purchaser to provide written evidence of age as set forth in paragraph (b) of subdivision two of section sixty-five-b of this chapter; and
 - (b) allow the purchase of only one alcoholic beverage per transaction; and
 - (c) only permit the sale or delivery of alcoholic beverages directly to an individual holding a ticket for a motion picture with a Motion Picture Association of America rating of "PG-13," "R," or "NC-17"; and
 - (d) not commence the sale of alcoholic beverages until one hour prior to the start of the first motion picture, and cease all sales of alcoholic beverages after the conclusion of the final motion picture.
 - § 2. Subdivision 6 of section 64-a of the alcoholic beverage control law, as amended by chapter 475 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:
 - 6. No special on-premises license shall be granted except for premises in which the principal business shall be (a) the sale of food or beverages at retail for consumption on the premises or (b) the operation of a legitimate theatre, including a motion picture theatre that is a building or facility which is regularly used and kept open primarily for the exhibition of motion pictures for at least five out of seven days a week, or on a regular seasonal basis of no less than six contiguous weeks, to the general public where all auditorium seating is permanently affixed to the floor and at least sixty-five percent of the motion picture theatre's annual gross revenues is the combined result of admission revenue for the showing of motion pictures and the sale of food and non-alcoholic beverages, or such other lawful adult entertainment or recreational facility as the liquor authority, giving due regard to the convenience of the public and the strict avoidance of sales prohibited by this chapter, shall by regulation classify for eligibility. [Nothing contained in this subdivision shall be deemed to authorize the issuance of a license to a motion picture theatre, except those meeting the definition of restaurant and meals, and where all seating is at tables where meals are served.]
- 52 § 3. Subdivision 8 of section 64-a of the alcoholic beverage control 13 law, as added by chapter 531 of the laws of 1964, is amended to read as 14 follows:



- 1 8. Every special on-premises licensee shall regularly keep food avail-2 able for sale to its customers for consumption on the premises. The availability of sandwiches, soups or other foods, whether fresh, processed, pre-cooked or frozen, shall be deemed compliance with this For motion picture theatres licensed under paragraph (b) requirement. of subdivision six of this section, food that is typically found in a 7 motion picture theatre, including but not limited to: popcorn, candy, and light snacks, shall be deemed to be in compliance with this requirement. The licensed premises shall comply at all times with all the requlations of the local department of health. Nothing contained in this 10 11 subdivision, however, shall be construed to require that any food be 12 sold or purchased with any liquor, nor shall any rule, regulation or 13 standard be promulgated or enforced requiring that the sale of food be substantial or that the receipts of the business other than from the sale of liquor equal any set percentage of total receipts from sales 16 made therein.
 - § 4. Subdivision 9 of section 64-a of the alcoholic beverage control law, as added by chapter 531 of the laws of 1964, is amended to read as follows:
 - 9. In the case of a motion picture theatre applying for a license under this section, any municipality required to be notified under section one hundred ten-b of this chapter may express an opinion with respect to whether the application should be approved, and such opinion may be considered in determining whether good cause exists to deny any such application.
 - 10. The liquor authority may make such rules as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- 28 § 5. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be 29 deemed repealed 3 years after such date.

30 PART C

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Section 1. Section 54-f of the state finance law is REPEALED.

§ 2. Subsection (ggg) of section 606 of the tax law, as added by section 1 of part E of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, and as relettered by section 1 of part A of chapter 73 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(ggg) School tax reduction credit for residents of a city with a population over one million. (1) For taxable years beginning after two thousand fifteen, a school tax reduction credit shall be allowed to a resident individual of the state who is a resident of a city with a population over one million, as provided below. The credit shall be allowed against the taxes authorized by this article reduced by the credits permitted by this article. If the credit exceeds the tax as so reduced, the excess shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section six hundred eighty-six of this article, provided however, that no interest will be paid thereon. For purposes of this subsection, no credit shall be granted to an individual with respect to whom a deduction under subsection (c) of section one hundred fifty-one of the internal revenue code is allowable to another taxpayer for the taxable year.

(2) The amount of the credit under this [paragraph] <u>subsection</u> shall be determined based upon the taxpayer's income as defined in subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of subdivision four of section four hundred twenty-five of the real property tax law.

- (3) For taxable years beginning in two thousand sixteen, the credit shall be determined as provided in this paragraph, provided that for the purposes of this paragraph, any taxpayer under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph with income of more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars shall not receive a credit.
- (A) Married individuals filing joint returns and surviving spouses. In the case of married individuals who make a single return jointly and of a surviving spouse, the credit shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars.
- (B) All others. In the case of an unmarried individual, a head of a household or a married individual filing a separate return, the credit shall be sixty-two dollars and fifty cents.
- (4) For taxable years beginning after two thousand sixteen, the credit shall equal the "fixed" amount provided by paragraph (4-a) of this subsection plus the "rate reduction" amount provided by paragraph (4-b) of this subsection.
- (4-a) The "fixed" amount of the credit shall be determined as provided in this paragraph, provided that any taxpayer with income of more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars shall not receive such amount.
- (A) Married individuals filing joint returns and surviving spouses. In the case of married individuals who make a single return jointly and of a surviving spouse, the "fixed" amount of the credit shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars.
- (B) All others. In the case of an unmarried individual, a head of a household or a married individual filing a separate return, the "fixed" amount of the credit shall be sixty-two dollars and fifty cents.
- 26 (4-b) The "rate reduction" amount of the credit shall be determined as 27 provided in this paragraph, provided that any taxpayer with income of 28 more than five hundred thousand dollars shall not receive such amount.
 - (A) For married individuals who make a single return jointly and for a surviving spouse:

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31 If the city taxable income is:
32 Not over $21,600
33 Over $21,600 but not over $500,000
34 The "rate reduction" amount is:
0.171% of the city taxable income $37 plus 0.228% of excess over $21,600
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(B) For a head of household:

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0.171% of the city taxable income

\$25 plus 0.228% of excess over

\$14,400

41 <u>Over \$500,000</u>

42 <u>(C) For an unmarried individual or a married individual filing</u> 43 <u>a separate return:</u>

44 If the city taxable income is:
45 Not over \$12,000

Over \$12,000 but not over \$500,000

The "rate reduction" amount is:
0.171% of the city taxable income
\$21 plus 0.228% of excess over
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- [(3)] (5) Part-year residents. If a taxpayer changes status during the taxable year from resident to nonresident, or from nonresident to resident, the school tax reduction credit authorized by this subsection shall be prorated according to the number of months in the period of residence.
- § 3. Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of subsection (a) of section 1304 of the 55 tax law, as amended by section 2 of part B of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, are amended to read as follows:

1 (1) Resident married individuals filing joint returns and resident surviving spouses. The tax under this section for each taxable year on the city taxable income of every city resident married individual who makes a single return jointly with his or her spouse under subsection (b) of section thirteen hundred six of this article and on the city taxable income of every city resident surviving spouse shall be determined in accordance with the following tables:

8 (A) For taxable years beginning after two thousand [fourteen] $\underline{\text{sixteen}}$:

9 If the city taxable income is: The tax is: 10 Not over \$21,600 2.7% of the city taxable income 11 Over \$21,600 but not \$583 plus 3.3% of excess 12 <u>over \$45,000</u> over \$21,600 13 Over \$45,000 but not \$1,355 plus 3.35% of excess 14 <u>over \$90,000</u> over \$45,000 15 Over \$90,000 \$2,863 plus 3.4% of excess 16 over \$90,000

17 (B) For taxable year beginning after two thousand fourteen

18 and before two thousand seventeen:

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29 [(B)] (C) For taxable years beginning after two thousand nine and

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41 (2) Resident heads of households. The tax under this section for each 42 taxable year on the city taxable income of every city resident head of a 43 household shall be determined in accordance with the following tables:

(A) For taxable years beginning after two thousand [fourteen] sixteen:

45 If the city taxable income is:
46 Not over \$14,400
47 Over \$14,400 but not
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49 Over \$30,000 but not
40 The tax is:
2.7% of the city taxable income
\$389 plus 3.3% of excess
over \$14,400
\$904 plus 3.35% of excess

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4 (B) For taxable years beginning after two thousand fourteen and before two thousand sixteen:

6 If the city taxable income is: The tax is: 7 Not over \$14,400 2.55% of the city taxable income 8 Over \$14,400 but not \$367 plus 3.1% of excess 9 over \$30,000 over \$14,400 \$851 plus 3.15% of excess 10 Over \$30,000 but not 11 over \$60,000 over \$30,000 12 Over \$60,000 but not \$1,796 plus 3.2% of excess 13 over \$500,000 over \$60,000 14 Over \$500,000 \$16,869 plus 3.4% of excess 15 over \$500,000

16 [(B)] (C) For taxable years beginning after two thousand nine and before 17 two thousand fifteen:

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- 28 (3) Resident unmarried individuals, resident married individuals
 29 filing separate returns and resident estates and trusts. The tax under
 30 this section for each taxable year on the city taxable income of every
 31 city resident individual who is not a city resident married individual
 32 who makes a single return jointly with his or her spouse under
 33 subsection (b) of section thirteen hundred six of this article or a city
 34 resident head of household or a city resident surviving spouse, and on
 35 the city taxable income of every city resident estate and trust shall be
 36 determined in accordance with the following tables:
- 37 (A) For taxable years beginning after two thousand [fourteen] sixteen:

38 <u>If the city taxable income is:</u> The tax is: 39 Not over \$12,000 2.7% of the city taxable income 40 Over \$12,000 but not \$324 plus 3.3% of excess 41 over \$25,000 over \$12,000 42 Over \$25,000 but not \$753 plus 3.35% of excess 43 <u>over \$50,000</u> over \$25,000 44 Over \$50,000 \$1,591 plus 3.4% of excess 45 over \$50,000

46 (B) For taxable years beginning after two thousand fourteen and before 47 two thousand seventeen:



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§ 4. Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of subsection (a) of section 11-1701 of the 24 administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by section 3 of 25 part B of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, are amended to read as 26 follows:

27 (1) Resident married individuals filing joint returns and resident 28 surviving spouses. The tax under this section for each taxable year on 29 the city taxable income of every city resident married individual who 30 makes a single return jointly with his or her spouse under subdivision 31 (b) of section 11-1751 of this chapter and on the city taxable income of 22 every city resident surviving spouse shall be determined in accordance 33 with the following tables:

34 (A) For taxable years beginning after two thousand [fourteen] sixteen:

35 <u>If the city taxable income is:</u> The tax is: 36 Not over \$21,600 2.7% of the city taxable income 37 Over \$21,600 but not \$583 plus 3.3% of excess 38 <u>over \$45,000</u> over \$21,600 39 Over \$45,000 but not \$1,355 plus 3.35% of excess 40 <u>over \$90,000</u> over \$45,000 41 Over \$90,000 \$2,863 plus 3.4% of excess 42 over \$90,000 43

43 (B) For taxable years beginning after two thousand fourteen and before 44 two thousand seventeen:

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2 (3) Resident unmarried individuals, resident married individuals
3 filing separate returns and resident estates and trusts. The tax under
4 this section for each taxable year on the city taxable income of every
5 city resident individual who is not a married individual who makes a
6 single return jointly with his or her spouse under subdivision (b) of
7 section 11-1751 of this chapter or a city resident head of a household
8 or a city resident surviving spouse, and on the city taxable income of
9 every city resident estate and trust shall be determined in accordance
10 with the following tables:

11 (A) For taxable years beginning after two thousand [fourteen] sixteen:

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12 If the city taxable income is:
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13 Not over $12,000
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     (B) For taxable years beginning after two thousand fourteen and before
21 two thousand sixteen:
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                                           2.55% of the city taxable income
24 Over $12,000 but not
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32 [(B)] (C) For taxable years beginning after two thousand nine and 33 before two thousand fifteen:

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34 If the city taxable income is:
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35 Not over $12,000
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§ 5. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the method of determining the amount to be deducted and withheld from wages on account of taxes imposed by or pursuant to the authority of article 30 of the tax law in connection with the implementation of the provisions of this act shall be prescribed by the commissioner of taxation and finance with due consideration to the effect such withholding tables and methods would have on the receipt and amount of revenue. The commission-

1 er of taxation and finance shall adjust such withholding tables and methods in regard to taxable years beginning in 2017 and after in such manner as to result, so far as practicable, in withholding from an employee's wages an amount substantially equivalent to the tax reasonably estimated to be due for such taxable years as a result of the provisions of this act. Provided, however, for tax year 2017 the with-7 holding tables shall reflect as accurately as practicable the full amount of tax year 2017 liability so that such amount is withheld by December 31, 2017. In carrying out his or her duties and responsibilities under this section, the commissioner of taxation and finance may 10 prescribe a similar procedure with respect to the taxes required to be deducted and withheld by local laws imposing taxes pursuant to the 13 authority of articles 30, 30-A and 30-B of the tax law, the provisions of any other law in relation to such a procedure to the contrary notwithstanding.

- § 6. 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no addition to tax shall be imposed for failure to pay the estimated tax in subsection (c) of section 685 of the tax law and subdivision (c) of section 11-1785 of the administrative code of the city of New York with respect to any underpayment of a required installment due prior to, or within thirty days of, the effective date of this act to the extent that such underpayment was created or increased by the amendments made by this act, provided, however, that the taxpayer remits the amount of any underpayment prior to or with his or her next quarterly estimated tax payment.
- 2. The commissioner of taxation and finance shall take steps to publicize the necessary adjustments to estimated tax and, to the extent reasonably possible, to inform the taxpayer of the tax liability changes made by this act.
- 30 § 7. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable 31 years beginning on and after January 1, 2017.

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33 Section 1. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 1306-a of the real property tax law, as amended by section 6 of part N of chapter 58 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows: 36 (i) The tax savings for each parcel receiving the exemption authorized 37 by section four hundred twenty-five of this chapter shall be computed by subtracting the amount actually levied against the parcel from the amount that would have been levied if not for the exemption, provided 40 however, that [beginning with] for the two thousand eleven-two thousand 41 twelve through two thousand sixteen-two thousand seventeen school [year] 42 years, the tax savings applicable to any "portion" (which as used herein 43 shall mean that part of an assessing unit located within a school district) shall not exceed the tax savings applicable to that portion in the prior school year multiplied by one hundred two percent, with the result rounded to the nearest dollar; and provided further that begin-46 ning with the two thousand seventeen-two thousand eighteen school year, 48 the tax savings applicable to any portion shall not exceed the tax savings for the prior year. The tax savings attributable to the basic 49 and enhanced exemptions shall be calculated separately. It shall be the responsibility of the commissioner to calculate tax savings limitations for purposes of this subdivision. 52

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.



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Section 1. Subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 425 of the real property tax law, as amended by section 3 of part E of chapter 83 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows: The term "income" as used herein shall mean the "adjusted gross income" for federal income tax purposes as reported on the applicant's federal or state income tax return for the applicable income tax year, subject to any subsequent amendments or revisions, reduced by distributions, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income, received from an individual retirement account and an individual retirement annuity; provided that if no such return was filed for the applicable income tax year, "income" shall mean the adjusted gross income that would have been so reported if such a return had been filed. Provided further, that effective with exemption applications for final assessment rolls to be completed in two thousand eighteen, where an income-eligibility determination is wholly or partly based upon the income of one or more individuals who did not file a return for the applicable income tax year, then in order for the application to be considered complete, each such individual must file a statement with the department showing the source or sources of his or her income for that income tax year, and the amount or amounts thereof, that would have been reported on such a return if one had been filed. Such statement shall be filed at such time, and in such form and manner, as may be prescribed by the department, and shall be subject to the secrecy provisions of the tax law to the same extent that a personal income tax return would be. The department shall make such forms and instructions available for the filing of such statements.

- § 2. Subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 425 of the real property tax law, as amended by chapter 451 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- (A) Effective with applications for the enhanced exemption on final assessment rolls to be completed in two thousand [three] eighteen, the application form shall indicate that [the] all owners of the property and any owners' spouses residing on the premises [may authorize the assessor to] must have their income eligibility verified annually [thereafter] by the [state] department [of taxation and finance, in lieu of furnishing copies of the applicable income tax return or returns with the application. If the owners of the property and any owners' spouses residing on the premises elect to participate in this program, which shall be known as the STAR income verification program, they] and must furnish their taxpayer identification numbers in order to facilitate matching with records of the department. [Thereafter, their] The income eligibility of such persons shall be verified annually by department, and the assessor shall not request income documentation from them[, unless such department advises the assessor that they do not satisfy the applicable income eligibility requirements, or that it is unable to determine whether they satisfy those requirements]. All applicants for the enhanced exemption and all assessing units shall be required to participate in this program, which shall be known as the STAR income verification program.
- (B) Where the commissioner finds that the enhanced exemption should be replaced with a basic exemption because the income limitation applicable to the enhanced exemption has been exceeded, he or she shall provide the property owners with notice and an opportunity to submit to the commissioner evidence to the contrary. Where the commissioner finds that the

1 enhanced exemption should be removed or denied without being replaced with a basic exemption because the income limitation applicable to the basic exemption has also been exceeded, he or she shall provide the property owners with notice and an opportunity to submit to the commissioner evidence to the contrary. In either case, if the owners fail to 6 respond to such notice within forty-five days from the mailing thereof, 7 or if their response does not show to the commissioner's satisfaction that the property is eligible for the exemption claimed, the commission-9 er shall direct the assessor or other person having custody or control of the assessment roll or tax roll to either replace the enhanced 10 exemption with a basic exemption, or to remove or deny the enhanced 11 12 exemption without replacing it with a basic exemption, as appropriate. 13 The commissioner shall further direct such person to correct the roll 14 accordingly. Such a directive shall be binding upon the assessor or 15 other person having custody or control of the assessment roll or tax 16 roll, and shall be implemented by such person without the need for 17 <u>further documentation or approval.</u>

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(C) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, neither an assessor nor a board of assessment review has the authority to consider an objection to the replacement or removal or denial of an exemption pursuant to this subdivision, nor may such an action be reviewed in a proceeding to review an assessment pursuant to title one or one-A of article seven of this chapter. Such an action may only be challenged before the department of taxation and finance. If a taxpayer is dissatisfied with the department's final determination, the taxpayer may appeal that determination to the state board of real property tax services in a form and manner to be prescribed by the commissioner. Such appeal shall be filed within forty-five days from the issuance of the department's final determination. If dissatisfied with the state board's determination, the taxpayer may seek judicial review thereof pursuant to article seventy-eight of the civil practice law and rules. The taxpayer shall otherwise have no right to challenge such final determination in a court action, administrative proceeding or any other form of legal recourse against the commissioner, the department of taxation and finance, the state board of real property tax services, the assessor or other person having custody or control of the assessment roll or tax roll regarding such action.

- § 3. Subparagraphs (v) and (vi) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 425 of the real property tax law are REPEALED.
- 40 § 4. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subdivision 5 of section 425 of the 41 real property tax law are REPEALED.
 - § 5. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 5 of section 425 of the real property tax law, as amended by section 5 of part E of chapter 83 of the laws of 2002 and subparagraph (i) as further amended by subdivision (b) of section 1 of part W of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
 - (d) Third party notice. (i) A senior citizen eligible for the enhanced exemption may request that a notice be sent to an adult third party. Such request shall be made on a form prescribed by the commissioner and shall be submitted to the assessor of the assessing unit in which the eligible taxpayer resides no later than sixty days before the first taxable status date to which it is to apply. Such form shall provide a section whereby the designated third party shall consent to such designation. Such request shall be effective upon receipt by the assessor. The assessor shall maintain a list of all eligible property owners who

have requested notices pursuant to this paragraph and shall furnish a copy of such list to the department upon request.

(ii) [In the case of a senior citizen who has not elected to participate in the STAR income verification program, a notice shall be sent to the designated third party at least thirty days prior to each ensuing taxable status date; provided that no such notice need be sent in the first year if the request was not received by the assessor at least sixty days before the applicable taxable status date. Such notice shall read substantially as follows:

"On behalf of (identify senior citizen or citizens), you are advised that his, her, or their renewal application for the enhanced STAR exemption must be filed with the assessor no later than (enter date). You are encouraged to remind him, her, or them of that fact, and to offer assistance if needed, although you are under no legal obligation to do so. Your cooperation and assistance are greatly appreciated."

(iii) In the case of a senior citizen who has elected to participate in the STAR income verification program, a] $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$ notice shall be sent to the designated third party whenever the assessor or department sends a notice to the senior citizen regarding the possible removal of the enhanced STAR exemption. When the exemption is subject to removal because the commissioner has determined that the income eligibility requirement is not satisfied, such notice shall be sent to the third party by the department. When the exemption is subject to removal because the assessor has determined that any other eligibility requirement is not satisfied, such notice shall be sent to the third party by the assessor. Such notice shall read substantially as follows:

"On behalf of (identify senior citizen or citizens), you are advised that his, her, or their enhanced STAR exemption is at risk of being removed. You are encouraged to make sure that he, she or they are aware of that fact, and to offer assistance if needed, although you are under no legal obligation to do so. Your cooperation and assistance are greatly appreciated."

- [(iv)] <u>(iii)</u> The obligation to mail such notices shall cease if the eligible taxpayer cancels the request or ceases to qualify for the enhanced STAR exemption.
- § 6. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 6 of section 425 of the real property tax law is REPEALED.
- § 7. Subdivision 9-b of section 425 of the real property tax law, as added by section 8 of part E of chapter 83 of the laws of 2002 and paragraph (b) as amended by chapter 742 of the laws of 2005 and further amended by subdivision (b) of section 1 of part W of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- 9-b. Duration of exemption; enhanced exemption. (a) [In the case of persons who have elected to participate in the STAR income verification program, the] <u>The</u> enhanced exemption, once granted, shall remain in effect until discontinued in the manner provided in this section.
- (b) [In the case of persons who have not elected to participate in the STAR income verification program, the enhanced exemption shall apply for a term of one year. To continue receiving such enhanced exemption, a renewal application must be filed annually with the assessor on or before the applicable taxable status date on a form prescribed by the commissioner. Provided, however, that if a renewal application is not so filed, the assessor shall discontinue the enhanced exemption but shall grant the basic exemption, subject to the provisions of subdivision eleven of this section.

(c) Whether or not the recipients of an enhanced STAR exemption have elected to participate in the STAR income verification program, the] The assessor [may review their] shall review the continued compliance of recipients of the enhanced exemption with the applicable ownership and residency requirements to the same extent as if they were receiving a basic STAR exemption.

- [(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subdivision, the enhanced exemption shall be continued without a renewal application as long as the property continues to be eligible for the senior citizens exemption authorized by section four hundred sixty-seven of this title.]
- § 8. Section 425 of the real property tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision 14-a to read as follows:
- 14-a. Implementation of certain eligibility determinations. When a taxpayer's eligibility for exemption under this section for a school year is affected by a determination made in accordance with subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (b) of subdivision four of this section or paragraph (c) or (d) of subdivision fourteen of this section, and the determination is made after the school district taxes for that school year have been levied, the provisions of this subdivision shall be applicable.
- (a) if the determination restores or increases the taxpayer's exemption for that school year, the commissioner is authorized to remit the excess directly to the property owner upon receiving confirmation that the taxpayer's original school tax bill has been paid in full. The amounts payable by the commissioner under this paragraph shall be paid from the account established for the payment of STAR benefits to late registrants pursuant to subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision fourteen of this section. When the commissioner implements the determination in this manner, he or she shall so notify the assessor and county director of real property tax services, but no correction shall be made to the assessment roll or tax roll for that school year, and no refund shall be issued by the school authorities to the property owner or his or her agent for the excessive amount of school taxes paid for that school year.
- (b) If the determination removes, denies or decreases the taxpayer's exemption for that school year, the commissioner is authorized to collect the shortfall directly from the owners of the property, together with interest, by utilizing any of the procedures for collection, levy, and lien of personal income tax set forth in article twenty-two of the tax law, and any other relevant procedures referenced within the provisions of such article. When the commissioner implements the determination in this manner, he or she shall so notify the assessor and county director of real property tax services, but no correction shall be made to the assessment roll or tax roll for that school year, and no corrected school tax bill shall be sent to the taxpayer for that school year.
 - § 9. Section 171-o of the tax law is REPEALED.
- § 10. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (eee) of section 606 of the tax law, as amended by section 8 of part A of chapter 73 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- (B) "Affiliated income" shall mean for purposes of the basic STAR credit, the combined income of all of the owners of the parcel who resided primarily thereon as of December thirty-first of the taxable year, and of any owners' spouses residing primarily thereon as of such date, and for purposes of the enhanced STAR credit, the combined income of all of the owners of the parcel as of December thirty-first of the taxable year, and of any owners' spouses residing primarily thereon as

1 of such date; provided that for both purposes the income to be so combined shall be the "adjusted gross income" for the taxable year as reported for federal income tax purposes, or that would be reported as adjusted gross income if a federal income tax return were required to be filed, reduced by distributions, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income, received from an individual retirement account 7 and an individual retirement annuity. For taxable years beginning on and after January first, two thousand eighteen, where an income-eligibility determination is wholly or partly based upon the income of one or more individuals who did not file a return pursuant to section six 10 11 hundred fifty-one of this article for the applicable income tax year, 12 then in order to be eligible for the credit authorized by this 13 subsection, each such individual must file a statement with the depart-14 ment showing the source or sources of his or her income for that income 15 tax year, and the amount or amounts thereof, that would have been 16 reported on such a return if one had been filed. Such statement shall be 17 filed at such time, and in such form and manner, as may be prescribed by the department, and shall be subject to the provisions of section six 18 19 hundred ninety-seven of this article to the same extent that a return 20 would be. The department shall make such forms and instructions avail-21 able for the filing of such statements. Provided further, that if the 22 qualified taxpayer was an owner of the property during the taxable year 23 but did not own it on December thirty-first of the taxable year, then 24 the determination as to whether the income of an individual should be included in "affiliated income" shall be based upon the ownership and/or 25 residency status of that individual as of the first day of the month 26 27 during which the qualified taxpayer ceased to be an owner of the proper-28 ty, rather than as of December thirty-first of the taxable year.

§ 11. No application for an enhanced exemption on a final assessment roll to be completed in 2018 may be approved if the applicants have not enrolled in the STAR income verification program established by subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 425 of the real property tax law as amended by section two of this act, regardless of when the application was filed. The assessor shall notify such applicants that participation in that program has become mandatory for all applicants and that their applications cannot be approved unless they enroll therein. The commissioner of taxation and finance shall provide a form for assessors to use, at their option, when making this notification.

§ 12. This act shall take effect immediately.

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Section 1. Section 928-a of the real property tax law, as added by chapter 680 of the laws of 1994, subdivision 1 as further amended by subdivision (b) of section 1 of part W of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010 and subdivision 2 as amended by chapter 199 of the laws of 1997, is amended to read as follows:

§ 928-a. Partial payment of taxes. 1. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, [the board of supervisors or the county legislature of any county may by resolution authorize the collecting officers in one or more of the classes of municipal corporations described herein] each collecting officer is hereby authorized to accept from any taxpayer at any time partial payments for or on account of taxes, special ad valorem levies or special assessments [in such amount or manner and apply such payments on

account thereof in such manner as may be prescribed by such resolution; provided, however, that such resolution], unless the governing body of the municipal corporation that employs the collecting officer has: (i) passed a resolution disallowing partial payments or (ii) passed a resolution limiting the conditions under which partial payments will be accepted, in which case partial payments shall be accepted in accordance with the conditions set forth in the resolution.

- (b) Such resolution may require a service charge not to exceed ten dollars to be paid with each partial payment. Such service charge shall belong to the municipal corporation that employs the collecting officer.
- (c) Where a statement of taxes contains separate charges for separate purposes, any partial payments shall be applied proportionately thereto.
- (d) Where school district taxes are payable to the collecting officer of a city or town that has not acted to disallow partial payments, the governing body of the school district may pass a resolution disallowing partial payments for school district purposes. If it has not done so, then the collecting officer shall be authorized to accept partial payments of school district taxes under the same conditions as may apply to city or town taxes.
- (e) Any resolution adopted pursuant to this section shall be adopted at least sixty days prior to the preparation and delivery of the tax rolls to the appropriate collecting officers. A copy of any resolution [enacting, amending or repealing any such partial payment program] adopted pursuant to this section, or amending or repealing a resolution adopted pursuant to this section, shall be filed with the commissioner and, in the case of a resolution adopted by a school district, with the city or town clerk, no later than thirty days after the adoption thereof.
- 2. [Such resolution shall apply to one or more of the following classes of municipal corporations: (a) all towns within the county; (b) all cities for which the county enforces the collection of delinquent taxes; or (c) all villages for which the county enforces the collection of delinquent taxes. If the resolution does not specify the class or classes of municipal corporations to which it applies, it shall be deemed to apply only to the towns in the county.
- 3.] After any partial payment authorized pursuant to this section has been paid, interest and penalties shall be charged against the unpaid balance only. The acceptance of a partial payment by any official pursuant to this section shall not be deemed to affect any liens and powers of any [county] <u>municipal corporation</u> conferred in any general or special act, but such rights and powers shall remain in full force and effect to enforce collection of the unpaid balance of such tax or tax liens together with interest, penalties and other lawful charges.
- 3. A collecting officer who is authorized to accept partial payments pursuant to this section may not decline to do so.
- 4. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to authorize a collecting officer to accept a partial payment after the expiration of his or her warrant, or at any other time that such collecting officer is not authorized to accept tax payments.
- § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to the collection of real property taxes, special ad valorem levies and special assessments for fiscal years beginning on and after January 1, 2019.

53 PART G

Section 1. Paragraph 7 of subsection (eee) of section 606 of the tax law, as amended by section 8 of part A of chapter 73 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

- (7) Disclosure of incomes <u>and other information</u>. (A) Where the commissioner has denied a taxpayer's claim for the credit authorized by this subsection in whole or in part on the grounds that the affiliated income of the parcel in question exceeds the applicable limit, the commissioner shall have the authority to reveal to that taxpayer the names and incomes of the other taxpayers whose incomes were included in the computation of such affiliated income.
- (B) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the names and addresses of individuals who have applied for or are receiving the credit authorized by this subsection shall be public information to the same extent as the names and addresses of individuals who have applied for or are receiving the STAR exemption authorized by section four hundred twenty-five of the real property tax law.
- § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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19 Section 1. Subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (k) of subdivision 2 of 20 section 425 of the real property tax law, as amended by section 2 of 21 part A of chapter 405 of the laws of 1999, is amended to read as 22 follows:

- That proportion of the assessment of such real property owned by a cooperative apartment corporation determined by the relationship of such real property vested in such tenant-stockholder to such entire parcel and the buildings thereon owned by such cooperative apartment corporation in which such tenant-stockholder resides shall be subject to exemption from taxation pursuant to this section and any exemption so granted shall be credited by the appropriate taxing authority against the assessed valuation of such real property. Upon the completion of the final assessment roll, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, the assessor shall forward to the cooperative apartment corporation a statement setting forth the exemption attributable to each eligible tenantstockholder. The reduction in real property taxes attributable to each eligible tenant-stockholder shall be credited by the cooperative apartment corporation against the amount of such taxes otherwise payable by or chargeable to such tenant-stockholder. The assessor shall also forward to the commissioner, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the commissioner, a statement setting forth the taxable assessed value attributable to each tenant-stockholder, without regard to the exemption, and such other information as the commissioner shall deem necessary to properly calculate the STAR credit authorized by subsection (eee) of section six hundred six of the tax law for those tenant-stockholders who qualify for it.
- § 2. Subparagraph (E) of paragraph 1 of subsection (eee) of section 606 of the tax law, as amended by section 8 of part A of chapter 73 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- (E) "Qualifying taxes" means the school district taxes that were levied upon the taxpayer's primary residence for the associated fiscal year that were actually paid by the taxpayer during the taxable year; or, in the case of a city school district that is subject to article fifty-two of the education law, the combined city and school district taxes that were levied upon the taxpayer's primary residence for the associated fiscal year that were actually paid by the taxpayer during

the taxable year. Provided, however, that in the case of a cooperative apartment, "qualifying taxes" means the school district taxes that would have been levied upon the tenant-stockholder's primary residence if it were separately assessed, as determined by the commissioner based on the statement provided by the assessor pursuant to subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (k) of subdivision two of section four hundred twenty-five of the real property tax law, or in the case of a cooperative apartment corporation that is described in subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (k) of subdivision two of section four hundred twenty-five of the real property tax law, one third of such amount. In no case shall the term "qualifying taxes" be construed to include penalties or interest.

- 12 § 3. Subparagraph (A) of paragraph 6 of subsection (eee) of section 13 606 of the tax law is REPEALED.
- § 4. This act shall take effect immediately, provided that section one of this act shall apply to final assessment rolls used to levy school taxes for school years beginning on and after July 1, 2017, and provided further that sections two and three of this act shall apply to taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2017.

19 PART I

- Section 1. Section 2 of chapter 540 of the laws of 1992, amending the 21 real property tax law relating to oil and gas charges, as amended by section 1 of part C of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to 23 read as follows:
- § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after April 1, 1992; provided, however that any charges imposed by section 593 of the real property tax law as added by section one of this act shall first be due for values for assessment rolls with tentative completion dates after July 1, 1992, and provided further, that this act shall remain in full force and effect until March 31, [2018] 2021, at which time section 593 of the real property tax law as added by section one of this act shall be repealed.
- 33 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

34 PART J

- Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 81 of the state finance law, as added by chapter 432 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

 5. Moneys shall be payable from the fund on the audit and warrant of the comptroller on vouchers approved and certified by the commissioner of health, for veterans' homes operated by the department of health, and by the [commissioner of education] chancellor of the state university of New York, for the veterans' home operated by the state university of New
- 42 York.
 43 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to
 44 have been in full force and effect on and after November 14, 2016.

45 PART K

Section 1. Section 352 of the economic development law, as added by section 1 of part MM of chapter 59 of the laws of 2010, subdivisions 7, 48 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 as amended and subdivision 11 as added by section 1 of part K of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:



§ 352. Definitions. For the purposes of this article:

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- 1. "Agriculture" means both agricultural production (establishments performing the complete farm or ranch operation, such as farm owner-operators, tenant farm operators, and sharecroppers) and agricultural support (establishments that perform one or more activities associated with farm operation, such as soil preparation, planting, harvesting, and management, on a contract or fee basis).
- 2. "Back office operations" means a business function that may include one or more of the following activities: customer service, information technology and data processing, human resources, accounting and related administrative functions.
- 3. "Benefit-cost ratio" means the following calculation: the numerator is the sum of (i) the value of all remuneration projected to be paid for all net new jobs during the period of participation in the program, and (ii) the value of capital investments to be made by the business enterprise during the period of participation in the program, and the denominator is the amount of total tax benefits under this article that will be used and refunded.
- 4. "Certificate of eligibility" means the document issued by the department to an applicant that has completed an application to be admitted into the excelsior jobs program and has been accepted into the program by the department. Possession of a certificate of eligibility does not by itself guarantee the eligibility to claim the tax credit.
- 5. "Certificate of tax credit" means the document issued to a participant by the department, after the department has verified that the participant has met all applicable eligibility criteria in this article. The certificate shall be issued annually if such criteria are satisfied and shall specify the exact amount of each of the tax credit components under this article that a participant may claim, pursuant to section three hundred fifty-five of this article, and shall specify the taxable year in which such credit may be claimed.
- 32 6. "Distribution center" means a large scale facility involving proc-33 essing, repackaging and/or movement of finished or semi-finished goods 34 to retail locations across a multi-state area.
 - 7. "Entertainment company" means a corporation, partnership, limited partnership, or other entity principally engaged in the production or post production of (i) motion pictures, which shall include featurelength films and television films, (ii) instructional videos, (iii) televised commercial advertisements, (iv) animated films or cartoons, (v) music videos, (vi) television programs, which shall include, but not be limited to, television series, television pilots, and single television episodes, or (vii) programs primarily intended for radio broadcast. "Entertainment company" shall not include an entity (i) principally engaged in the live performance of events, including, but not limited theatrical productions, concerts, circuses, and sporting events, (ii) principally engaged in the production of content intended primarily for industrial, corporate or institutional end-users, (iii) principally engaged in the production of fundraising films or programs, or (iv) engaged in the production of content for which records are required under section 2257 of title 18, United States code, to be maintained with respect to any performer in such production.
 - 8. "Financial services data centers or financial services customer back office operations" means operations that manage the data or accounts of existing customers or provide product or service information and support to customers of financial services companies, including banks, other lenders, securities and commodities brokers and dealers,

investment banks, portfolio managers, trust offices, and insurance companies.

- 9. "Investment zone" shall mean an area within the state that had been designated under paragraph (i) of subdivision (a) and subdivision (d) of section nine hundred fifty-eight of the general municipal law that was wholly contained within up to four distinct and separate contiguous areas as of the date immediately preceding the date the designation of such area expired pursuant to section nine hundred sixty-nine of the general municipal law.
- 10. "Life sciences" means the field of biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, biomedical technologies, life systems technologies, health informatics, health robotics or biomedical devices.
- 11. "Life sciences company" means a business entity or an organization or institution that devotes the majority of its efforts in the various stages of research, development, technology transfer and commercialization related to any life sciences field.
- 12. "Manufacturing" means the process of working raw materials into products suitable for use or which gives new shapes, new quality or new combinations to matter which has already gone through some artificial process by the use of machinery, tools, appliances, or other similar equipment. "Manufacturing" does not include an operation that involves only the assembly of components, provided, however, the assembly of motor vehicles or other high value-added products shall be considered manufacturing.
- [11.] 13. "Music production" means the process of creating sound recordings of at least eight minutes, recorded in professional sound studios, intended for commercial release. "Music production" does not include recording of live concerts, or recordings that are primarily spoken word or wildlife or nature sounds, or produced for instructional use or advertising or promotional purposes.
 - [12.] <u>14.</u> "Net new jobs" means:

- (a) jobs created in this state that (i) are new to the state,
- (ii) have not been transferred from employment with another business located in this state including from a related person in this state,
- (iii) are either full-time wage-paying jobs or equivalent to a full-time wage-paying job requiring at least thirty-five hours per week, and (iv) are filled for more than six months; or
- (b) jobs obtained by an entertainment company in this state (i) as a result of the termination of a licensing agreement with another entertainment company, (ii) that the commissioner determines to be at risk of leaving the state as a direct result of the termination, (iii) that are either full-time wage-paying jobs or equivalent to a full-time wage-paying job requiring at least thirty-five hours per week, and (iv) that are filled for more than six months.
 - [13.] 15. "Participant" means a business entity that:
- 46 (a) has completed an application prescribed by the department to be 47 admitted into the program;
 - (b) has been issued a certificate of eligibility by the department;
 - (c) has demonstrated that it meets the eligibility criteria in section three hundred fifty-three and subdivision two of section three hundred fifty-four of this article; and
 - (d) has been certified as a participant by the commissioner.
 - [14.] 16. "Preliminary schedule of benefits" means the maximum aggregate amount of each component of the tax credit that a participant in the excelsior jobs program is eligible to receive pursuant to this article. The schedule shall indicate the annual amount of each component of



the credit a participant may claim in each of its ten years of eligibility. The preliminary schedule of benefits shall be issued by the department when the department approves the application for admission into the program. The commissioner may amend that schedule, provided that the commissioner complies with the credit caps in section three hundred fifty-nine of this article.

- [15.] 17. "Qualified investment" means an investment in tangible property (including a building or a structural component of a building) owned by a business enterprise which:
- (a) is depreciable pursuant to section one hundred sixty-seven of the internal revenue code;
 - (b) has a useful life of four years or more;
- (c) is acquired by purchase as defined in section one hundred seventy-nine (d) of the internal revenue code;
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- (e) is placed in service in the state on or after the date the certificate of eligibility is issued to the business enterprise.
- [16.] 18. "Regionally significant project" means (a) a manufacturer creating at least fifty net new jobs in the state and making significant capital investment in the state; (b) a business creating at least twenty net new jobs in agriculture in the state and making significant capital investment in the state, (c) a financial services firm, distribution center, or back office operation creating at least three hundred net new jobs in the state and making significant capital investment in the state, (d) a scientific research and development firm creating at least twenty net new jobs in the state, and making significant capital investment in the state, (e) a life sciences company creating at least twenty net new jobs in the state and making significant capital investment in the state or [(e)] (f) an entertainment company creating or obtaining at least two hundred net new jobs in the state and making significant capital investment in the state. Other businesses creating three hundred or more net new jobs in the state and making significant capital investment in the state may be considered eligible as a regionally significant project by the commissioner as well. The commissioner shall promulgate regulations pursuant to section three hundred fifty-six of this article to determine what constitutes significant capital investment for each of the project categories indicated in this subdivision and what additional criteria a business must meet to be eligible as a regionally significant project, including, but not limited to, whether a business exports a substantial portion of its products or services outside of the state or outside of a metropolitan statistical area or county within the state.
- [17.] 19. "Related person" means a "related person" pursuant to subparagraph (c) of paragraph three of subsection (b) of section four hundred sixty-five of the internal revenue code.
- [18.] <u>20.</u> "Remuneration" means wages and benefits paid to an employee by a participant in the excelsior jobs program.
 - [19.] 21. "Research and development expenditures" mean the expenses of the business enterprise that are qualified research expenses under the federal research and development credit under section forty-one of the internal revenue code and are attributable to activities conducted in the state. If the federal research and development credit has expired, then the research and development expenditures shall be calculated as if the federal research and development credit structure and definition in effect in federal tax year two thousand nine were still in effect.
- 55 [20.] <u>22.</u> "Scientific research and development" means conducting 56 research and experimental development in the physical, engineering, and

1 life sciences, including but not limited to agriculture, electronics, environmental, biology, botany, biotechnology, computers, chemistry, food, fisheries, forests, geology, health, mathematics, medicine, oceanography, pharmacy, physics, veterinary, and other allied subjects. For the purposes of this article, scientific research and development does not include medical or veterinary laboratory testing facilities.

- [21.] 23. "Software development" means the creation of coded computer instructions or production or post-production of video games, as defined in subdivision one-a of section six hundred eleven of the general business law, other than those embedded and used exclusively in advertising, 10 promotional websites or microsites, and also includes new media as defined by the commissioner in regulations.
 - § 2. Subdivisions 1 and 3 of section 353 of the economic development law, as amended by section 2 of part K of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, are amended to read as follows:
- 16 1. To be a participant in the excelsior jobs program, a business enti-17 ty shall operate in New York state predominantly:
- 18 (a) as a financial services data center or a financial services back 19 office operation;
 - (b) in manufacturing;
 - (c) in software development and new media;
 - (d) in scientific research and development;
 - (e) in agriculture;

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- 24 (f) in the creation or expansion of back office operations in the state; 25
 - (g) in a distribution center;
 - (h) in an industry with significant potential for private-sector economic growth and development in this state as established by the commissioner in regulations promulgated pursuant to this article. promulgating such regulations the commissioner shall include job and investment criteria;
 - (i) as an entertainment company; [or]
 - (j) in music production; or
 - (k) as a life sciences company.
- 3. For the purposes of this article, in order to participate in the excelsior jobs program, a business entity operating predominantly in manufacturing must create at least ten net new jobs; a business entity operating predominately in agriculture must create at least five net new jobs; a business entity operating predominantly as a financial service data center or financial services customer back office operation must create at least fifty net new jobs; a business entity operating predominantly in scientific research and development must create at least five net new jobs; a business entity operating predominantly in software development must create at least five net new jobs; a business entity creating or expanding back office operations must create at least fifty net new jobs; a business entity operating predominately in music production must create at least five net new jobs; a business entity operating predominantly as an entertainment company must create or obtain at least one hundred net new jobs; or a business entity operating predominantly as a distribution center in the state must create at least seventy-five net new jobs, notwithstanding subdivision five of this section; or a business entity operating predominately as a life sciences 53 company must create at least five net new jobs; or a business entity 54 must be a regionally significant project as defined in this article; or

- 1 § 3. Subdivision 4 of section 353 of the economic development law, as amended by section 1 of part C of chapter 68 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
 - 4. A business entity operating predominantly in one of the industries referenced in paragraphs (a) through (h) or in paragraph (k) of subdivision one of this section but which does not meet the job requirements of subdivision three of this section must have at least twenty-five fulltime job equivalents unless such business is a business entity operating predominantly in manufacturing then it must have at least ten full-time job equivalents and must demonstrate that its benefit-cost ratio is at least ten to one.

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- § 4. Subdivision 5 of section 354 of the economic development law, as amended by section 2 of part O of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- 5. A participant may claim tax benefits commencing in the first taxable year that the business enterprise receives a certificate of tax credit or the first taxable year listed on its preliminary schedule of benefits, whichever is later. A participant may claim such benefits for the next nine consecutive taxable years, provided that the participant demonstrates to the department that it continues to satisfy the eligi-21 bility criteria specified in section three hundred fifty-three of this article and subdivision two of this section in each of those taxable years, and provided that no tax credits may be allowed for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand [twenty-seven] thirty. If, in any given year, a participant who has satisfied the eligibility criteria specified in section three hundred fifty-three of this article realizes job creation less than the estimated amount, the credit shall be reduced by the proportion of actual job creation to the estimated amount, provided the proportion is at least seventy-five percent of the jobs estimated.
- 31 § 5. Section 359 of the economic development law, as amended by 32 section 1 of part O of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to 33 read as follows:
 - § 359. Cap on tax credit. The total amount of tax credits listed on certificates of tax credit issued by the commissioner for any taxable year may not exceed the limitations set forth in this section. One-half of any amount of tax credits not awarded for a particular taxable year in years two thousand eleven through two thousand twenty-four may be used by the commissioner to award tax credits in another taxable year.

40 Credit components in the aggregate With respect to taxable 41 shall not exceed: years beginning in:

42	\$ 50 million	2011
43	\$ 100 million	2012
44	\$ 150 million	2013
45	\$ 200 million	2014
46	\$ 250 million	2015
47	\$ 183 million	2016
48	\$ 183 million	2017
49	\$ 183 million	2018
50	\$ 183 million	2019
51	\$ 183 million	2020
52	\$ 183 million	2021
53	\$ 133 million	2022
54	\$ 83 million	2023

Twenty-five percent of tax credits shall be allocated to businesses accepted into the program under subdivision four of section three

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hundred fifty-three of this article and seventy-five percent of tax credits shall be allocated to businesses accepted into the program under subdivision three of section three hundred fifty-three of this article. Provided, however, if by September thirtieth of a calendar year, the department has not allocated the full amount of credits available in that year to either: (i) businesses accepted into the program under subdivision four of section three hundred fifty-three of this article or (ii) businesses accepted into the program under subdivision three of section three hundred fifty-three of this article, the commissioner may allocate any remaining tax credits to businesses referenced in this paragraph as needed; provided, however, that under no circumstances may the aggregate statutory cap for all program years be exceeded. One hundred percent of the unawarded amounts remaining at the end of two thousand twenty-four may be allocated in subsequent years, notwithstandthe fifty percent limitation on any amounts of tax credits not awarded in taxable years two thousand eleven through two thousand twenty-four. Provided, however, no tax credits may be allowed for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand [twenty-seven] thirty.

- § 6. Subdivision (b) of section 31 of the tax law, as amended by section 3 of part O of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- (b) To be eligible for the excelsior jobs program credit, the taxpayer shall have been issued a "certificate of tax credit" by the department of economic development pursuant to subdivision four of section three hundred fifty-four of the economic development law, which certificate shall set forth the amount of each credit component that may be claimed for the taxable year. A taxpayer may claim such credit for ten consecutive taxable years commencing in the first taxable year that the taxpayer receives a certificate of tax credit or the first taxable year listed on its preliminary schedule of benefits, whichever is later, provided that no tax credits may be allowed for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand [twenty-seven] thirty. taxpayer shall be allowed to claim only the amount listed on the certificate of tax credit for that taxable year. Such certificate must be attached to the taxpayer's return. No cost or expense paid or incurred by the taxpayer shall be the basis for more than one component of this credit or any other tax credit, except as provided in section three hundred fifty-five of the economic development law.
- 43 § 7. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 43 to read as 44 follows:
 - § 43. Life sciences tax credits. (a) Life sciences research and development tax credit. (1) Allowance of credit. (i) A taxpayer that is a qualified life sciences company, or that is a sole proprietor of or a partner in a partnership that is a qualified life sciences company or a shareholder of a New York S corporation that is a qualified life sciences company, and is subject to tax under article nine-A or twenty-two of this chapter, shall be allowed a credit against such tax, pursuant to the provisions referred to in subdivision (e) of this section, for a period of five years, as provided in clause (B) of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, to be computed as provided in this subdivision, provided that no credit shall be allowed for taxable years beginning on



or after January first, two thousand twenty-eight. Such credit may be claimed in the taxable year specified on the certificate of tax credit issued to the qualified life sciences company.

(ii) (A) For a qualified life sciences company that employs ten or more persons during the taxable year, the amount of the credit shall be equal to fifteen percent of such qualified life sciences company's research and development expenditures in this state for the taxable year. For a qualified life sciences company that employs less than ten persons during the taxable year, the amount of the credit shall be equal to twenty percent of such qualified life sciences company's research and development expenditures in this state for the taxable year.

(B) The credit shall be allowed only with respect to the first taxable year during which the criteria set forth in this paragraph are satisfied, and with respect to each of the four taxable years next following (but only, with respect to each of such years, if such criteria are satisfied). Subsequent certifications of the life sciences company by the department of economic development pursuant to this subdivision shall not extend the five taxable year time limitation on the allowance of the credit set forth in the preceding sentence.

(iii) The total amount of credit allowable to a qualified life sciences company, or, if the life sciences company is properly included or required to be included in a combined report, to the combined group, taken in the aggregate, shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars. If the life sciences company is a partner in a partnership or shareholder of a New York S corporation, then the total amount of credit allowable shall be applied at the entity level, so that the total amount of credit allowable to all the partners or shareholders of each such entity, taken in the aggregate, does not exceed five hundred thousand dollars.

(iv) No research and development expenditures made by the life sciences company and used either as the basis for the allowance of the credit provided for pursuant to this subdivision or used in the calculation of the credit provided pursuant to this subdivision shall be used to claim any other credit allowed pursuant to this chapter or be used in the calculation of any other credit allowed pursuant to this chapter.

(2) Maximum amount of credits. The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed under this subdivision to taxpayers subject to tax under articles nine-A and twenty-two of this chapter in any taxable year shall be ten million dollars, and shall be allotted from the funds available for tax credits under article seventeen of the economic development law. Such aggregate amount of credits shall be allocated by the department of economic development among taxpayers in order of priority based upon the date of filing an application for allocation of life sciences research and development tax credit with such department. If the total amount of allocated credits applied for in any particular year exceeds the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed for such year under this subdivision, such excess shall be treated as having been applied for on the first day of the subsequent year.

(b) Angel investor tax credit. (1) Allowance of credit. (i) A taxpayer that is a qualified angel investor, or that is a sole proprietor of or a partner in a partnership that is a qualified angel investor or a shareholder of a New York S corporation that is a qualified angel investor, and is subject to tax under article nine-A or twenty-two of this chapter, shall be allowed a credit against such tax, pursuant to the provisions referred to in subdivision (e) of this section, for a period of ten years, to be computed as provided in this subdivision, provided

that no credit shall be allowed for taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand twenty-eight. Such credit shall be claimed in the taxable year specified on the certificate of angel investment issued to the qualified angel investor.

(ii) The amount of the credit shall be equal to twenty-five percent of each angel investment made during the taxable year.

(iii) The total amount of credit allowable to a qualified angel investor, or, if the qualified angel investor is properly included or required to be included in a combined report, to the combined group, taken in the aggregate, shall not exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars. If the angel investor is a partner in a partnership or shareholder of a New York S corporation, then the total amount of credit allowable shall be applied at the entity level, so that the total amount of credit allowable to all the partners or shareholders of each such entity, taken in the aggregate, does not exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars.

(iv) No investment made by the taxpayer and used either as the basis for the allowance of the credit provided for pursuant to this subdivision or used in the calculation of the credit provided pursuant to this subdivision shall be used to claim any other credit allowed pursuant to this chapter or used in the calculation of any other credit allowed pursuant to this chapter.

(2) Recapture. (i) If the certificate of angel investment of an angel investor issued by the department of economic development under this section is revoked by such department because the investment made by the angel investor does not meet the eligibility requirements set forth in this section and in regulation, the amount of credit described in this subdivision and claimed by such angel investor prior to that revocation shall be added back as tax in the taxable year in which any such revocation becomes final.

(ii) Where a taxpayer sells, transfers or otherwise disposes of corporate stock, a partnership interest or other ownership interest arising from the making of an angel investment that was the basis, in whole or in part, for the allowance of the credit provided for under this subdivision, or where an investment that was the basis for such allowance is, in whole or in part, recovered by such taxpayer, and such disposition or recovery occurs during the taxable year or within forty-eight months from the close of the taxable year with respect to which such credit is allowed, the taxpayer shall add back as tax, with respect to the taxable year in which the disposition or recovery described above occurred, the amount of the credit originally claimed by the taxpayer.

(3) Maximum amount of credits. The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed under this subdivision to taxpayers subject to tax under articles nine-A and twenty-two of this chapter in any taxable year shall be five million dollars. Such aggregate amount of credits shall be allocated by the department of economic development among taxpayers in order of priority based upon the date of filing an application for allocation of angel investor tax credit with such department. If the total amount of allocated credits applied for in any particular year exceeds the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed for such year under this subdivision, such excess shall be treated as having been applied for on the first day of the subsequent year.

(c) Definitions. As used in this section the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Angel investment" means an investment in the form of a contribution to the capital of the qualified life sciences company, provided



that such investment is at risk and is not secured or guaranteed. An "angel investment" does not include any loans, or investments in hedge funds or commodity funds with institutional investors or with investments in a business involved in retail, real estate, professional services, gaming or financial services.

- (2) "Angel investor" means an accredited investor, as defined by the United State Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to section seventy-seven-b of title fifteen of the United States Code, or a network of accredited investors, that reviews new or proposed businesses for potential investment and that may seek active involvement, such as consulting and mentoring, in a life sciences company. "Angel investor" does not include a person controlling, directly or indirectly, fifty percent or more of the life sciences company invested in by the angel investor or who is involved in the life sciences company in a full-time professional capacity, and does not include a corporation of which such life sciences company is a direct or indirect subsidiary, as defined in section two hundred eight of this chapter.
- (3) "Certificate of angel investment" means the document issued to a qualified angel investor by the department of economic development for each angel investment made by the qualified angel investor, after the department or economic development has verified that such angel investor has met all applicable criteria in this section to be eligible for the angel investor tax credit allowed under subdivision (b) of this section, including but not limited to certifying that the life sciences company in which the angel investor has made such investment is a qualified life sciences company. The certificate shall be issued annually if such criteria are satisfied and shall specify the exact amount of each angel investment made by the angel investor and the amount of the tax credit that may be claimed by such angel investor, pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section, and shall specify the taxable year in which such credit may be claimed.
- (4) "Certificate of tax credit" means the document issued to a qualified life sciences company by the department of economic development, after the department of economic development has verified that such life sciences company has met all applicable criteria in this section to be eligible for the life sciences research and development tax credit allowed under subdivision (a) of this section, including but not limited to verifying that the life sciences company is a new business. The certificate shall be issued annually if such criteria are satisfied and shall specify the exact amount of the life sciences research and development tax credit that may be claimed by such qualified life sciences company, pursuant to subdivision (a) of this section, and shall specify the taxable year in which such credit may be claimed.
- (5) "New business" means any business that qualifies as a new business under either paragraph (f) of subdivision one of section two hundred ten-B or paragraph ten of subsection one of section six hundred six of this chapter.
- (6) "Qualified angel investor" means an angel investor certified by the department of economic development as an angel investor.
- (7) "Qualified life sciences company" means a life sciences company, as defined in subdivision eleven of section three hundred fifty-two of the economic development law, that has been certified by the department of economic development as a life sciences company and is a new business. Provided that, for purposes of the angel investor tax credit provided pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section, a qualified life sciences company shall at the time that the angel investor makes an

initial angel investment in such life sciences company employ twenty or fewer persons during the taxable year and shall have had, during the immediately preceding taxable year, gross receipts of not greater than five hundred thousand dollars. Provided however, for purposes of the credits authorized under this section, the department of economic devel-opment shall not certify as a life sciences company any corporation, partnership, limited partnership, or other entity that has been within the immediately preceding sixty months a related person to an entity that is a life sciences company or an entity that is engaged in scien-tific research and development as defined in subdivision twenty-two of section three hundred fifty-two of the economic development law.

- (8) "Research and development expenditures" means qualified research expenses as defined in subsection (b) of section 41 of the internal revenue code, provided, however, that such qualified research expenses shall not include amounts under subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (b) of section 41 of the internal revenue code and as further described in paragraph 3 of subsection (b) of section 41 of the internal revenue code. If section 41 of the internal revenue code has expired, then the research and development expenses shall be calculated as if the federal research and development credit structure and definition in effect in section 41 in federal tax year two thousand nine were still in effect.
- (9) "Related person" means a related person as defined in subparagraph (c) of paragraph three of subsection (b) of section 465 of the internal revenue code. For this purpose, a "related person" shall include an entity that would have qualified as a "related person" if it had not been dissolved, liquidated, merged with another entity or otherwise ceased to exist or operate.
- (d) (1) For purposes of this section, in order to be eligible for the life sciences research and development tax credit allowed under subdivision (a) of this section, a life sciences company must be issued a certificate of tax credit by the department of economic development. The department of economic development shall verify that such life sciences company has met all applicable eligibility criteria in this section before issuing a certificate of tax credit, including but not limited to verifying that the life sciences company is a new business.
- (2) For purposes of this section, in order to be eligible for the angel investor tax credit allowed under subdivision (b) of this section, an angel investor must be issued a certificate of angel investment by the department of economic development for each angel investment for which the credit is claimed. The department of economic development shall verify that such angel investor has met all applicable eligibility criteria in this section before issuing a certificate of angel investment, including but not limited to certifying that the life sciences company in which the angel investor has made such investment is a qualified life sciences company.
- (3) The commissioner of economic development, after consulting with the commissioner, shall promulgate regulations by October thirty-first, two thousand seventeen to establish procedures for the allocation of tax credits allowed under this section. Such rules and regulations shall include provisions describing the application process for each credit, the due dates for such applications, the eligibility standards for qualified life sciences companies, the standards which shall be used to evaluate the applications, the documentation that will be provided to taxpayers to substantiate to the department the amount of tax credits allocated to such taxpayers, and such other provisions as deemed neces-

1 sary and appropriate. Notwithstanding any other provisions to the
2 contrary in the state administrative procedure act, such rules and regu3 lations may be adopted on an emergency basis if necessary to meet such
4 October thirty-first, two thousand seventeen deadline.

- (e) Cross-references. For application of the credits provided for in this section, see the following provisions of this chapter:
 - (1) article 9-A: section 210-B: subdivision 52.

- (2) article 22: section 606: subsection (hhh).
- (f) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, (i) employees and officers of the department of economic development and the department shall be allowed and are directed to share and exchange information regarding the credits applied for, allowed, or claimed pursuant to this section and taxpayers who are applying for credits or who are claiming credits, including information contained in or derived from credit claim forms submitted to the department and applications for certification submitted to the department of economic development, and (ii) the commissioner and the commissioner of the department of economic development may release the names and addresses of any taxpayer claiming these credits and the amount of the credit earned by the taxpayer. Provided, however, if a taxpayer claims either of these credits because it is a member of a limited liability company or a partner in a partnership, only the amount of credit earned by the entity and not the amount of credit claimed by the taxpayer may be released.
- (g) For purposes of the credits allowed under this section, the number of persons employed by a qualified life sciences company during the taxable year shall be determined by ascertaining the number of such individuals employed full-time by such company, excluding general executive officers, on the thirty-first day of March, the thirtieth day of June, the thirtieth day of September and the thirty-first day of December during each taxable year, by adding together the number of such individuals ascertained on each of such dates and dividing the sum so obtained by the number of such dates occurring within such taxable year. An individual employed full-time means an employee in a job consisting of at least thirty-five hours per week, or two or more employees who are in jobs that together constitute the equivalent of a job of at least thirty-five hours per week (full-time equivalent).
- § 8. Section 210-B of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision 52 to read as follows:
- 52. Life sciences tax credits. (a) Life sciences research and development tax credit. (1) Allowance of credit. A taxpayer that is eligible pursuant to subdivision (a) of section forty-three of this chapter shall be allowed a credit to be computed as provided in such subdivision against the tax imposed by this article.
- (2) Application of credit. The credit allowed under this paragraph for any taxable year shall not reduce the tax due for such year to less than the amount prescribed in paragraph (d) of subdivision one of section two hundred ten of this article. Provided, however, that if the amount of the credit allowable under this paragraph for any taxable year reduces the tax to such amount or if the taxpayer otherwise pays tax based on the fixed dollar minimum amount, the excess shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section one thousand eighty-six of this chapter. Provided, further, the provisions of subsection (c) of section one thousand eighty-eight of this chapter notwithstanding, no interest shall be paid thereon.

- 1 (b) Angel investor tax credit. (1) Allowance of credit. A taxpayer
 2 that is eligible pursuant to subdivision (b) of section forty-three of
 3 this chapter shall be allowed a credit to be computed as provided in
 4 such subdivision against the tax imposed by this article.
 - (2) Application of credit. The credit allowed under this paragraph for any taxable year shall not reduce the tax due for such year to less than the amount prescribed in paragraph (d) of subdivision one of section two hundred ten of this article. Provided, however, that if the amount of the credit allowable under this paragraph for any taxable year reduces the tax to such amount or if the taxpayer otherwise pays tax based on the fixed dollar minimum amount, the excess shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section one thousand eighty-six of this chapter. Provided, further, the provisions of subsection (c) of section one thousand eighty-eight of this chapter notwithstanding, no interest shall be paid thereon.
 - § 9. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection (hhh) to read as follows:
 - (hhh) Life sciences tax credits. (1) Life sciences research and development tax credit. (A) Allowance of credit. A taxpayer who is eligible pursuant to subdivision (a) of section forty-three of this chapter shall be allowed a credit to be computed as provided in such subdivision against the tax imposed by this article.
 - (B) Application of credit. If the amount of the credit allowable under this paragraph for any taxable year exceeds the taxpayer's tax for such year, the excess shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or refunded as provided in section six hundred eighty-six of this article, provided, however, that no interest shall be paid thereon.
 - (2) Angel investor tax credit. (A) A taxpayer who is eligible pursuant to subdivision (b) of section forty-three of this chapter shall be allowed a credit to be computed as provided in such subdivision against the tax imposed by this article.
 - (B) Application of credit. If the amount of the credit allowable under this paragraph for any taxable year exceeds the taxpayer's tax for such year, the excess shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or refunded as provided in section six hundred eighty-six of this article, provided, however, that no interest shall be paid thereon.
- 38 § 10. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (i) of section 606 39 of the tax law is amended by adding two new clauses (xliii) and (xliv) 40 to read as follows:
- 41 (xliii) Life sciences research and
 42 development tax credit under
 43 paragraph one of subsection (hhh)

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 (a) of subdivision fifty-two of section two hundred ten-B
- 44(xliv) Angel investor taxAmount of credit under paragraph45credit under paragraph two of(b) of subdivision fifty-two of46subsection (hhh)section two hundred ten-B
- 47 § 11. This act shall take effect immediately, and shall apply to taxa-48 ble years beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

49 PART L

50 Section 1. Section 441 of the economic development law, as added by 51 section 1 of part O of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to 52 read as follows:

- § 441. Definitions. As used in this article, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- 1. "Approved provider" means an entity meeting such criteria as shall be established by the commissioner in rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to this article, that may provide eligible training to employ-6 ees of a business entity participating in the employee training incentive program; provided that, for internship programs, the business enti-8 ty shall be an approved provider or an approved provider in contract with such business entity. Such criteria shall ensure that any approved provider possess adequate credentials to provide the training described in an application by a business entity to the commissioner to participate in the employee training incentive program.
 - 2. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of economic development.
 - 3. "Eligible training" means (a) training provided by an approved provider that is:
 - (i) to upgrade, retrain or improve the productivity of employees;
 - (ii) provided to employees [filling net new jobs, or to existing employees] in connection with a significant capital investment by a participating business entity;
 - (iii) determined by the commissioner to satisfy a business need on the part of a participating business entity;
 - (iv) not designed to train or upgrade skills as required by a federal or state entity;
 - (v) not training the completion of which may result in the awarding of a license or certificate required by law in order to perform a job function; and
 - (vi) not culturally focused training; or
 - (b) an internship program in advanced technology or life sciences approved by the commissioner and provided by an approved provider, on or after August first, two thousand fifteen, to provide employment and experience opportunities for current students, recent graduates, and recent members of the armed forces.
 - 4. ["Net new job" means a job created in this state that:
 - (a) is new to the state;

- (b) has not been transferred from employment with another business located in this state through an acquisition, merger, consolidation or other reorganization of businesses or the acquisition of assets of another business, and has not been transferred from employment with a related person in this state;
- 40 (c) is either a full-time wage-paying job or equivalent to a full-time 41 wage-paying job requiring at least thirty-five hours per week;
 - (d) is filled for more than six months;
 - (e) is filled by a person who has received eligible training; and
 - (f) is comprised of tasks the performance of which required the person filling the job to undergo eligible training.] "Life sciences" means the field of biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, biomedical technologies, life systems technologies, health informatics, health robotics or biomedical devices. "Life sciences company" is a business entity or an organization or institution that devotes the majority of its efforts in the various stages of research, development, technology transfer and commercialization related to any life sciences field.
- 52 5. "Significant capital investment" means a capital investment [of at 153 least one million dollars] in new business processes or equipment, the 154 cost of which is equal to or exceeds ten dollars for every one dollar of 155 tax credit allowed to an eligible business entity under this program

pursuant to subdivision fifty of section two hundred ten-B or subsection
(ddd) of section six hundred six of the tax law.

- 6. "Strategic industry" means an industry in this state, as established by the commissioner in regulations promulgated pursuant to this article, based upon the following criteria:
 - (a) shortages of workers trained to work within the industry;

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- (b) technological disruption in the industry, requiring significant capital investment for existing businesses to remain competitive;
- (c) the ability of businesses in the industry to relocate outside of the state in order to attract talent;
- (d) the potential to recruit minorities and women to be trained to work in the industry in which they are traditionally underrepresented;
- (e) the potential to create jobs in economically distressed areas, which shall be based on criteria indicative of economic distress, including poverty rates, numbers of persons receiving public assistance, and unemployment rates; or
- (f) such other criteria as shall be developed by the commissioner in consultation with the commissioner of labor.
- § 2. Section 442 of the economic development law, as added by section 1 of part O of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- § 442. Eligibility criteria. In order to participate in the employee training incentive program, a business entity must satisfy the following criteria:
- 1. (a) The business entity must operate in the state predominantly in a strategic industry;
- (b) The business entity must demonstrate that it is obtaining eligible training from an approved provider;
- (c) The business entity must [create at least ten net new jobs or] make a significant capital investment in connection with the eligible training; and
- (d) The business entity must be in compliance with all worker protection and environmental laws and regulations. In addition, the business entity may not owe past due state taxes or local property taxes; or
- 2. (a) The business entity, or an approved provider in contract with such business entity, must be approved by the commissioner to provide eligible training in the form of an internship program in advanced technology or at a life sciences company pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision three of section four hundred forty-one of this article;
 - (b) The business entity must be located in the state;
- (c) The business entity must be in compliance with all worker protection and environmental laws and regulations. In addition, the business entity must not have past due state taxes or local property taxes;
 - (d) The internship program shall not displace regular employees;
 - (e) The business entity must have less than one hundred employees; and
- 48 (f) Participation of an individual in an internship program shall not 49 last more than a total of twelve months.
 - § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

51 PART M

52 Section 1. Paragraph 5 of subdivision (a) of section 24 of the tax 53 law, as amended by chapter 420 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read 54 as follows:

1 For the period two thousand fifteen through two thousand [nine-2 teen] twenty-two, in addition to the amount of credit established in paragraph two of this subdivision, a taxpayer shall be allowed a credit equal to the product (or pro rata share of the product, in the case of a member of a partnership) of ten percent and the amount of wages or salaries paid to individuals directly employed (excluding those employed as writers, directors, music directors, producers and performers, including 7 background actors with no scripted lines) by a qualified film production company or a qualified independent film production company for services performed by those individuals in one of the counties specified in this 10 11 paragraph in connection with a qualified film with a minimum budget of five hundred thousand dollars. For purposes of this additional credit, 13 the services must be performed in one or more of the following counties: 14 Albany, Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Dutchess, Erie, Essex, 16 Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, 17 Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orange, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Putnam, Rensselaer, Saratoga, 18 19 Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, Seneca, St. Lawrence, 20 [Suffolk,] Sullivan, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, Washington, Wayne, 21 Wyoming, or Yates. The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed pursuant to the authority of this paragraph shall be five million dollars each 23 year during the period two thousand fifteen through two thousand [nineteen] twenty-two of the annual allocation made available to the program pursuant to paragraph four of subdivision (e) of this section. Such 26 aggregate amount of credits shall be allocated by the governor's office 27 for motion picture and television development among taxpayers in order of priority based upon the date of filing an application for allocation 29 of film production credit with such office. If the total amount of allocated credits applied for under this paragraph in any year exceeds the 30 aggregate amount of tax credits allowed for such year under this para-31 such excess shall be treated as having been applied for on the 32 33 first day of the next year. If the total amount of allocated tax credits applied for under this paragraph at the conclusion of any year is less 35 than five million dollars, the remainder shall be treated as part of the 36 annual allocation made available to the program pursuant to paragraph 37 four of subdivision (e) of this section. However, in no event may the 38 total of the credits allocated under this paragraph and the credits 39 allocated under paragraph [five] six of subdivision (a) of section thirty-one of this article exceed five million dollars in any year during 41 the period two thousand fifteen through two thousand [nineteen] twenty-42 two.

§ 2. Paragraph 4 of subdivision (e) of section 24 of the tax law, as 44 amended by section 1-a of part P of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is 45 amended to read as follows:

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(4) Additional pool 2 - The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed in subdivision (a) of this section shall be increased by an additional four hundred twenty million dollars in each year starting in two thousand ten through two thousand [nineteen] twenty-two provided however, seven million dollars of the annual allocation shall be available for the empire state film post production credit pursuant to section thirty-one of this article in two thousand thirteen and two thousand fourteen and twenty-five million dollars of the annual allocation shall be available for the empire state film post production credit pursuant to section thirty-one of this article in each year starting in two thousand fifteen through two thousand [nineteen] twenty-two. This amount shall be allo-

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cated by the governor's office for motion picture and television development among taxpayers in accordance with subdivision (a) of this section. If the commissioner of economic development determines that the aggregate amount of tax credits available from additional pool 2 for the empire state film production tax credit have been previously allocated, and determines that the pending applications from eligible applicants for the empire state film post production tax credit pursuant to section thirty-one of this article is insufficient to utilize the balance of unallocated empire state film post production tax credits from such pool, the remainder, after such pending applications are considered, 10 shall be made available for allocation in the empire state film tax credit pursuant to this section, subdivision twenty of section two hundred ten-B and subsection (gg) of section six hundred six of this chapter. Also, if the commissioner of economic development determines that the aggregate amount of tax credits available from additional pool 2 for the empire state film post production tax credit have been previously allocated, and determines that the pending applications from eligible applicants for the empire state film production tax credit pursuant to this section is insufficient to utilize the balance of unallocated film production tax credits from such pool, then all or part of the remainder, after such pending applications are considered, shall be made available for allocation for the empire state film post production credit pursuant to this section, subdivision thirty-two of section two hundred ten-B and subsection (qq) of section six hundred six of this chapter. The governor's office for motion picture and television development must notify taxpayers of their allocation year and include the allocation year on the certificate of tax credit. Taxpayers eligible to claim a credit must report the allocation year directly on their empire state film production credit tax form for each year a credit is claimed and include a copy of the certificate with their tax return. In the case of a qualified film that receives funds from additional pool 2, no 31 empire state film production credit shall be claimed before the later of the taxable year the production of the qualified film is complete, or the taxable year immediately following the allocation year for which the film has been allocated credit by the governor's office for motion picture and television development.

- § 3. Paragraph 6 of subdivision (a) of section 31 of the tax law, as amended by section 2 of part JJ of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, amended to read as follows:
- For the period two thousand fifteen through two thousand [nineteen] twenty-two, in addition to the amount of credit established in paragraph two of subdivision (a) of this section, a taxpayer shall be allowed a credit equal to the product (or pro rata share of the product, in the case of a member of a partnership) of ten percent and the amount of wages or salaries paid to individuals directly employed (excluding those employed as writers, directors, music directors, producers and performers, including background actors with no scripted lines) for services performed by those individuals in one of the counties specified in this paragraph in connection with the post production work on a qualified film with a minimum budget of five hundred thousand dollars at a qualified post production facility in one of the counties listed in this paragraph. For purposes of this additional credit, the services must be performed in one or more of the following counties: Albany, Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Clinton, Cortland, Delaware, Erie, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Genesee, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery,

Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, Seneca, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Tioga, Tompkins, Wayne, Wyoming, or Yates. The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed pursuant to the authority of this paragraph shall be five million dollars each year during the period two thousand fifteen through two thousand [nineteen] twenty-two of the annual allocation made available 7 to the empire state film post production credit pursuant to paragraph four of subdivision (e) of section twenty-four of this article. Such aggregate amount of credits shall be allocated by the governor's office for motion picture and television development among taxpayers in order 10 11 of priority based upon the date of filing an application for allocation of post production credit with such office. If the total amount of allo-13 cated credits applied for under this paragraph in any year exceeds the 14 aggregate amount of tax credits allowed for such year under this paragraph, such excess shall be treated as having been applied for on the 16 first day of the next year. If the total amount of allocated tax credits 17 applied for under this paragraph at the conclusion of any year is less 18 than five million dollars, the remainder shall be treated as part of the 19 annual allocation for two thousand seventeen made available to the empire state film post production credit pursuant to paragraph four of 20 21 subdivision (e) of section twenty-four of this article. However, in no event may the total of the credits allocated under this paragraph and 23 the credits allocated under paragraph five of subdivision (a) of section twenty-four of this article exceed five million dollars in any year during the period two thousand fifteen through two thousand [nineteen] 25 twenty-two. 26

§ 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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Section 1. The section heading and subdivision (a), paragraph 3 of subdivision (b), and subdivisions (d) and (e) of section 25-a of the labor law, the section heading and subdivisions (d) and (e) as amended by section 1 of part AA of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, subdivision (a) as amended by section 1 of part VV of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, and paragraph 3 of subdivision (b) as added by section 2 of part VV of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, are amended to read as follows:

Power to administer the [urban] New York youth jobs program tax credit.

(a) The commissioner is authorized to establish and administer the program established under this section to provide tax incentives to employers for employing at risk youth in part-time and full-time positions. There will be [five] ten distinct pools of tax incentives. Program one will cover tax incentives allocated for two thousand twelve and two thousand thirteen. Program two will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand fourteen. Program three will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand fifteen. Program four will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand sixteen. Program five will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand seventeen. Program six will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand eighteen. Program seven will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand nineteen. Program eight will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand twenty. Program nine will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand twenty-one. Program ten will cover tax incentives allocated in two thousand twentytwo. The commissioner is authorized to allocate up to twenty-five million dollars of tax credits under program one, ten million dollars of

tax credits under program two, twenty million dollars of tax credits under program three, and fifty million dollars of tax credits under each [of programs four and five] subsequent program.

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- (3) For programs four [and], five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten, the tax credit under each program shall be allocated as follows: (i) thirty million dollars of tax credit for qualified employees; and (ii) twenty million dollars of tax credit for individuals who meet all of the requirements for a qualified employee except for the residency requirement of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph two of this subdivision, which individuals shall be deemed to meet the residency requirements of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph two of this subdivision if they reside in New York state.
- 13 To participate in the program established under this section, an 14 employer must submit an application (in a form prescribed by the commis-15 sioner) to the commissioner after January first, two thousand twelve but 16 no later than November thirtieth, two thousand twelve for program one, 17 after January first, two thousand fourteen but no later than November 18 thirtieth, two thousand fourteen for program two, after January first, 19 thousand fifteen but no later than November thirtieth, two thousand 20 fifteen for program three, after January first, two thousand sixteen but 21 no later than November thirtieth, two thousand sixteen for program four, 22 [and] after January first, two thousand seventeen but no later 23 November thirtieth, two thousand seventeen for program five, after January first, two thousand eighteen but no later than November thirtieth, 24 25 two thousand eighteen for program six, after January first, two thousand nineteen but no later than November thirtieth, two thousand nineteen for 26 27 program seven, after January first, two thousand twenty but no later 28 than November thirtieth, two thousand twenty for program eight, after January first, two thousand twenty-one but no later than November thir-29 tieth, two thousand twenty-one for program nine, and after January 30 first, two thousand twenty-two but no later than November thirtieth, two 31 32 thousand twenty-two for program ten. The qualified employees must start 33 their employment on or after January first, two thousand twelve but no later than December thirty-first, two thousand twelve for program one, 35 on or after January first, two thousand fourteen but no later than 36 December thirty-first, two thousand fourteen for program two, on or after January first, two thousand fifteen but no later than December 38 thirty-first, two thousand fifteen for program three, on or after Janu-39 ary first, two thousand sixteen but no later than December thirty-first, 40 two thousand sixteen for program four, [and] on or after January first, 41 two thousand seventeen but no later than December thirty-first, two 42 thousand seventeen for program five, on or after January first, two 43 thousand eighteen but no later than December thirty-first, two thousand 44 eighteen for program six, on or after January first, two thousand nine-45 teen but no later than December thirty-first, two thousand nineteen for program seven, on or after January first, two thousand twenty but no 47 later than December thirty-first, two thousand twenty for program eight, on or after January first, two thousand twenty-one but no later than 48 49 December thirty-first, two thousand twenty-one for program nine, and on 50 or after January first, two thousand twenty-two but no later than Decem-51 ber thirty-first, two thousand twenty-two for program ten. The commis-52 sioner shall establish guidelines and criteria that specify requirements for employers to participate in the program including criteria for certifying qualified employees. Any regulations that the commissioner 54 55 determines are necessary may be adopted on an emergency basis notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section two hundred two of the

state administrative procedure act. Such requirements may include the types of industries that the employers are engaged in. The commissioner may give preference to employers that are engaged in demand occupations or industries, or in regional growth sectors, including those identified by the regional economic development councils, such as clean energy, healthcare, advanced manufacturing and conservation. In addition, 7 commissioner shall give preference to employers who offer advancement and employee benefit packages to the qualified individuals.

- (e) If, after reviewing the application submitted by an employer, commissioner determines that such employer is eligible to participate in the program established under this section, the commissioner shall issue the employer a certificate of eligibility that establishes the employer as a qualified employer. The certificate of eligibility shall specify the maximum amount of tax credit that the employer will be allowed to claim and the program year under which it can be claimed.
- § 2. The subdivision heading of subdivision 36 of section 210-B of the tax law, as amended by section 2 of part AA of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

[Urban] New York youth jobs program tax credit.

§ 3. The subsection heading of subsection (tt) of section 606 of the tax law, as amended by section 3 of part AA of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

[Urban] New York youth jobs program tax credit.

4. Clause (xxxiii) of subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (i) of section 606 of the tax law, as amended by section 4 of part AA of chapter 56 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

(xxxiii) [Urban] New York youth Amount of credit under jobs program tax credit subdivision thirty-six of section two hundred ten-B

§ 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 187-b of the tax law, as amended 32 by section 1 of part G of chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, is amended to 34 read as follows:

- 6. Termination. The credit allowed by subdivision two of this section shall not apply in taxable years beginning after December thirty-first, two thousand [seventeen] twenty-two.
- § 2. Paragraph (f) of subdivision 30 of section 210-B of the tax law, as added by section 17 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- (f) Termination. The credit allowed by paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall not apply in taxable years beginning after December thirtyfirst, two thousand [seventeen] twenty-two.
- § 3. Paragraph 6 of subsection (p) of section 606 of the tax law, amended by section 3 of part G of chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 47 (6) Termination. The credit allowed by this subsection shall not apply 48 in taxable years beginning after December thirty-first, two thousand [seventeen] twenty-two.
- 50 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

51 PART P Section 1. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 210-B of the tax law, as amended by section 31 of part T of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

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(i) A credit shall be allowed under this subdivision with respect to 5 tangible personal property and other tangible property, including buildings and structural components of buildings, which are: depreciable 6 pursuant to section one hundred sixty-seven of the internal revenue 7 code, have a useful life of four years or more, are acquired by purchase as defined in section one hundred seventy-nine (d) of the internal revenue code, have a situs in this state and are (A) principally used by 10 11 the taxpayer in the production of goods by manufacturing, processing, 12 assembling, refining, mining, extracting, farming, agriculture, 13 culture, floriculture, viticulture or commercial fishing, (B) industrial 14 waste treatment facilities or air pollution control facilities, used in the taxpayer's trade or business, (C) research and development property, 16 or (D) principally used in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade 17 or business as a broker or dealer in connection with the purchase or 18 sale (which shall include but not be limited to the issuance, entering 19 into, assumption, offset, assignment, termination, or transfer) of stocks, bonds or other securities as defined in section four hundred 20 21 seventy-five (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or of commodities as 22 defined in section four hundred seventy-five (e) of the Internal Revenue 23 Code, (E) principally used in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's 24 trade or business of providing investment advisory services for a regulated investment company as defined in section eight hundred fifty-one of the Internal Revenue Code, or lending, loan arrangement or loan orig-26 27 ination services to customers in connection with the purchase or sale 28 (which shall include but not be limited to the issuance, entering into, 29 assumption, offset, assignment, termination, or transfer) of securities as defined in section four hundred seventy-five (c)(2) of the Internal 30 Revenue Code, (F) principally used in the ordinary course of the taxpay-31 er's business as an exchange registered as a national securities 32 33 exchange within the meaning of sections 3(a)(1) and 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or a board of trade as defined in subparagraph 35 one of paragraph (a) of section fourteen hundred ten of the not-for-pro-36 fit corporation law or as an entity that is wholly owned by one or more 37 such national securities exchanges or boards of trade and that provides 38 automation or technical services thereto, or (G) principally used as a 39 qualified film production facility including qualified film production 40 facilities having a situs in an empire zone designated as such pursuant 41 to article eighteen-B of the general municipal law, where the taxpayer 42 is providing three or more services to any qualified film production 43 company using the facility, including such services as a studio lighting 44 grid, lighting and grip equipment, multi-line phone service, broadband 45 information technology access, industrial scale electrical capacity, 46 food services, security services, and heating, ventilation and air 47 conditioning. For purposes of clauses (D), (E) and (F) of this subparagraph, property purchased by a taxpayer affiliated with a regulated 48 broker, dealer, registered investment advisor, national securities exchange or board of trade, is allowed a credit under this subdivision 51 if the property is used by its affiliated regulated broker, dealer, 52 registered investment advisor, national securities exchange or board of trade in accordance with this subdivision. For purposes of determining 53 54 if the property is principally used in qualifying uses, the uses by the taxpayer described in clauses (D) and (E) of this subparagraph may be 55 aggregated. In addition, the uses by the taxpayer, its affiliated regu-



1 lated broker, dealer and registered investment advisor under either or both of those clauses may be aggregated. Provided, however, a taxpayer shall not be allowed the credit provided by clauses (D), (E) and (F) of this subparagraph unless the property is first placed in service before October first, two thousand fifteen and (i) eighty percent or more of the employees performing the administrative and support functions resulting from or related to the qualifying uses of such equipment are 7 located in this state or (ii) the average number of employees that perform the administrative and support functions resulting from or related to the qualifying uses of such equipment and are located in this 10 11 state during the taxable year for which the credit is claimed is equal 12 to or greater than ninety-five percent of the average number of employ-13 ees that perform these functions and are located in this state during 14 the thirty-six months immediately preceding the year for which the credit is claimed, or (iii) the number of employees located in this state 16 during the taxable year for which the credit is claimed is equal to or 17 greater than ninety percent of the number of employees located in this 18 state on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-eight or, if the 19 taxpayer was not a calendar year taxpayer in nineteen hundred ninetyeight, the last day of its first taxable year ending after December 20 21 thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-eight. If the taxpayer becomes 22 subject to tax in this state after the taxable year beginning in nine-23 teen hundred ninety-eight, then the taxpayer is not required to satisfy 24 the employment test provided in the preceding sentence of this subpara-25 graph for its first taxable year. For purposes of clause (iii) of this 26 subparagraph the employment test will be based on the number of employ-27 ees located in this state on the last day of the first taxable year the 28 taxpayer is subject to tax in this state. If the uses of the property 29 must be aggregated to determine whether the property is principally used in qualifying uses, then either each affiliate using the property must 30 satisfy this employment test or this employment test must be satisfied 31 32 through the aggregation of the employees of the taxpayer, its affiliated 33 regulated broker, dealer, and registered investment adviser using the property. For purposes of [this subdivision, the term "goods" shall not include electricity] clause (A) of this subparagraph, tangible personal 35 36 property and other tangible property shall not include property princi-37 pally used by the taxpayer (I) in the production or distribution of 38 electricity, natural gas, steam, or water delivered through pipes and 39 mains, or (II) in the creation, production or reproduction, in any medi-40 um, of a film, visual or audio recording, or commercial, where the costs 41 associated with such creation, production or reproduction are incurred 42 outside of this state, or in the duplication, for purposes of broadcast 43 in any medium, of a master of a film, visual or audio recording, or 44 commercial, where the costs associated with such duplication are 45 incurred outside of this state.

§ 2. Subparagraph (A) of paragraph 2 of subsection (a) of section 606 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 637 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

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54 55 (A) A credit shall be allowed under this subsection with respect to tangible personal property and other tangible property, including buildings and structural components of buildings, which are: depreciable pursuant to section one hundred sixty-seven of the internal revenue code, have a useful life of four years or more, are acquired by purchase as defined in section one hundred seventy-nine (d) of the internal revenue code, have a situs in this state and are (i) principally used by the taxpayer in the production of goods by manufacturing, processing,

1 assembling, refining, mining, extracting, farming, agriculture, horticulture, floriculture, viticulture or commercial fishing, (ii) industrial waste treatment facilities or air pollution control facilities, used in the taxpayer's trade or business, (iii) research and development property, (iv) principally used in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or business as a broker or dealer in connection with the purchase or sale (which shall include but not be limited to the issuance, enter-7 ing into, assumption, offset, assignment, termination, or transfer) of stocks, bonds or other securities as defined in section four hundred seventy-five (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or of commodities as 10 defined in section 475(e) of the Internal Revenue Code, (v) principally 11 12 used in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or business of 13 providing investment advisory services for a regulated investment compa-14 ny as defined in section eight hundred fifty-one of the Internal Revenue Code, or lending, loan arrangement or loan origination services to 16 customers in connection with the purchase or sale (which shall include 17 but not be limited to the issuance, entering into, assumption, offset, 18 assignment, termination, or transfer) of securities as defined in 19 section four hundred seventy-five (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or (vi) principally used as a qualified film production facility includ-20 21 ing qualified film production facilities having a situs in an empire zone designated as such pursuant to article eighteen-B of the general 23 municipal law, where the taxpayer is providing three or more services to any qualified film production company using the facility, including such services as a studio lighting grid, lighting and grip equipment, multi-26 line phone service, broadband information technology access, industrial 27 scale electrical capacity, food services, security services, and heat-28 ing, ventilation and air conditioning. For purposes of clauses (iv) 29 (v) of this subparagraph, property purchased by a taxpayer affiliated with a regulated broker, dealer, or registered investment adviser is 30 31 allowed a credit under this subsection if the property is used by its affiliated regulated broker, dealer or registered investment adviser 32 33 accordance with this subsection. For purposes of determining if the property is principally used in qualifying uses, the uses by the taxpay-35 er described in clauses (iv) and (v) of this subparagraph may be aggre-36 gated. In addition, the uses by the taxpayer, its affiliated regulated 37 broker, dealer and registered investment adviser under either or both of 38 those clauses may be aggregated. Provided, however, a taxpayer shall not 39 be allowed the credit provided by clauses (iv) and (v) of this subpara-40 graph unless (I) eighty percent or more of the employees performing the 41 administrative and support functions resulting from or related to the 42 qualifying uses of such equipment are located in this state, or (II) the 43 average number of employees that perform the administrative and support 44 functions resulting from or related to the qualifying uses of such 45 equipment and are located in this state during the taxable year for which the credit is claimed is equal to or greater than ninety-five 47 percent of the average number of employees that perform these functions and are located in this state during the thirty-six months immediately 48 preceding the year for which the credit is claimed, or (III) the number of employees located in this state during the taxable year for which the 51 credit is claimed is equal to or greater than ninety percent of the 52 number of employees located in this state on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-eight or, if the taxpayer was not a calendar year taxpayer in nineteen hundred ninety-eight, the last day of its 54 55 first taxable year ending after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-eight. If the taxpayer becomes subject to tax in this state after



1 the taxable year beginning in nineteen hundred ninety-eight, then the taxpayer is not required to satisfy the employment test provided in the preceding sentence of this subparagraph for its first taxable year. For the purposes of clause (III) of this subparagraph the employment test will be based on the number of employees located in this state on the last day of the first taxable year the taxpayer is subject to tax in 7 this state. If the uses of the property must be aggregated to determine whether the property is principally used in qualifying uses, then either each affiliate using the property must satisfy this employment test or this employment test must be satisfied through the aggregation of the 10 11 employees of the taxpayer, its affiliated regulated broker, dealer, and 12 registered investment adviser using the property. For purposes of [this 13 subsection, the term "goods" shall not include electricity] clause (i) 14 of this subparagraph, tangible personal property and other tangible 15 property shall not include property principally used by the taxpayer (a) 16 in the production or distribution of electricity, natural gas, steam, or water delivered through pipes and mains, or (b) in the creation, 17 18 production or reproduction, in any medium, of a film, visual or audio 19 recording, or commercial, where the costs associated with such creation, production or reproduction are incurred outside of this state, or in the 20 21 duplication, for purposes of broadcast in any medium, of a master of a 22 film, visual or audio recording, or commercial, where the costs associ-23 ated with such duplication are incurred outside of this state.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

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Section 1. Legislative findings. The legislature finds it necessary to revise a decision of the tax appeals tribunal that disturbed the long-standing policy of the department of taxation and finance that single member limited liability companies that are treated as disregarded entities for federal income tax purposes also would be treated as disregarded entities for purposes of determining eligibility of the owners of such entities for tax credits allowed under article 9, 9-A, 22, 32 (prior to its repeal) or 33 of the tax law. The decision of the tax appeals tribunal, if allowed to stand, will result in the denial of tax credits, such as empire zone tax credits, to taxpayers who in prior years received those credits.

- 38 § 2. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 43 to read as 39 follows:
 - § 43. Single member limited liability companies and eligibility for tax credits. A limited liability company that has a single member and is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner for federal income tax purposes (without reference to any special rules related to the imposition of certain federal taxes, including but not limited to certain employment and excise taxes) shall be disregarded as an entity separate from its owner for purposes of determining whether or not the taxpayer that is the single member of such limited liability company satisfies the requirements to be eligible for any tax credit allowed under article nine, nine-A, twenty-two or thirty-three of this chapter or allowed under article thirty-two of this chapter prior to the repeal of such article. Such requirements, including but not limited to any necessary certification, employment or investment thresholds, payment obligations, and any time period for eligibility, shall be imposed on the taxpayer and the determination of whether or not such requirements have been

satisfied and the computation of the credit shall be made by deeming such taxpayer and such limited liability company to be a single entity. If the taxpayer is the single member of more than one limited liability company that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, the determination of whether or not the requirements to be eligible for any tax credit allowed under article nine, nine-A, twenty-two or thirty-three of this chapter or allowed under article thirty-two of this chapter or allowed under article have been satisfied and the computation of the credit shall be made by deeming such taxpayer and such limited liability companies to be a single entity.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided however, that section 43 of the tax law, as added by section two of this act, shall apply to all taxable years for which the statute of limitations for seeking a refund or assessing additional tax is still open.

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16 Section 1. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (a) of 17 section 601 of the tax law is REPEALED and a new subparagraph (B) is 18 added to read as follows:

19 (B) (i) For taxable years beginning in two thousand eighteen the 20 following rates shall apply:

If the New York taxable income is: 21 The tax is: Not over \$17,150 4% of the New York taxable 23 income 24 \$686 plus 4.5% of excess over Over \$17,150 but not over \$23,600 25 \$17,150 26 Over \$23,600 but not over \$27,900 \$976 plus 5.25% of excess over 27 \$23,600 28 Over \$27,900 but not over \$43,000 \$1,202 plus 5.9% of excess over 29 \$27,900 30 \$2,093 plus 6.33% of excess over Over \$43,000 but not over \$161,550 31 \$43,000 32 Over \$161,550 but not over \$323,200 \$9,597 plus 6.57% of excess over 33 **\$161,550** 34 Over \$323,200 but not over \$2,155,350 \$20,218 plus 6.85% of excess over 35 \$323,200 36 Over \$2,155,350 \$145,720 plus 8.82% of excess over 37 **\$2,155,350** 38 (ii) For taxable years beginning in two thousand nineteen the follow-

ing rates shall apply:

40 If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: 41 Not over \$17,150 4% of the New York taxable 42 income 43 Over \$17,150 but not over \$23,600 \$686 plus 4.5% of excess over 44 \$17,150 45 Over \$23,600 but not over \$27,900 \$976 plus 5.25% of excess over 46 \$23,600

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53 Over \$323,200 but not over \$2,155,350 \$19,946 plus 6.85% of excess over

1 \$323,200 2 Over \$2,155,350 \$145,448 plus 8.82% of excess over 3 \$2,155,350 (iii) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty the following rates shall apply: 6 If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: 7 Not over \$17,150 4% of the New York taxable income Over \$17,150 but not over \$23,600 \$686 plus 4.5% of excess over 9 \$17,150 10 Over \$23,600 but not over \$27,900 \$976 plus 5.25% of excess over 11 \$23,600 12 Over \$27,900 but not over \$43,000 \$1,202 plus 5.9% of excess over 13 \$27,900 14 Over \$43,000 but not over \$161,550 \$2,093 plus 6.09% of excess over 15 \$43,000 16 Over \$161,550 but not over \$323,200 \$9,313 plus 6.41% of excess over 17 **\$161,550** 18 Over \$323,200 but not over \$2,155,350 \$19,674 plus 6.85% of excess over 19 \$323,200 20 Over \$2,155,350 \$145,177 plus 8.82% of excess over 21 **\$2,155,350** 22 (iv) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-one the following rates shall apply: 23 If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: 25 Not over \$17,150 4% of the New York taxable income \$686 plus 4.5% of excess over 26 Over \$17,150 but not over \$23,600 27 \$17,150 28 Over \$23,600 but not over \$27,900 \$976 plus 5.25% of excess over 29 \$23,600 30 Over \$27,900 but not over \$43,000 \$1,202 plus 5.9% of excess over 31 \$27,900 32 \$2,093 plus 5.97% of excess over Over \$43,000 but not over \$161,550 33 \$43,000 34 Over \$161,550 but not over \$323,200 \$9,170 plus 6.33% of excess over 35 **\$161,550** 36 Over \$323,200 \$19,403 plus 6.85% of excess over 37 \$323,200 38 (v) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-two the follow-39 ing rates shall apply: If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: 41 Not over \$17,150 4% of the New York taxable income 42 Over \$17,150 but not over \$23,600 \$686 plus 4.5% of excess over 43 <u>\$17,150</u> 44 Over \$23,600 but not over \$27,900 \$976 plus 5.25% of excess over 45 <u>\$23,600</u> 46 Over \$27,900 but not over \$161,550 \$1,202 plus 5.85% of excess over 47 \$27,900 48 \$9,021 plus 6.25% of excess over Over \$161,550 but not over \$323,200 49 \$161,550 50 Over \$323,200 \$19,124 plus 6.85% of excess over 51 <u>\$323,200</u> 52 (vi) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-three the following rates shall apply: If the New York taxable income is: 54 The tax is: 55 Not over \$17,150 4% of the New York taxable income Over \$17,150 but not over \$23,600 \$686 plus 4.5% of excess over



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                                          $323,200
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      § 2. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (b) of section 601
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   of the tax law is REPEALED and a new subparagraph (B) is added to read
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   as follows:
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      (B)(i) For taxable years beginning in two thousand eighteen the
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    following rates shall apply:
   If the New York taxable income is:
                                          The tax is:
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   Not over $12,800
                                          4% of the New York taxable income
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   Over $12,800 but not over $17,650
                                          $512 plus 4.5% of excess over $12,800
                                          $730 plus 5.25% of excess over
   Over $17,650 but not over $20,900
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                                          $17,650
                                          $901 plus 5.9% of excess over $20,900
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   Over $20,900 but not over $32,200
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   Over $32,200 but not over $107,650
                                          $1,568 plus 6.33% of excess over
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                                          $32,200
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                                          $6,344 plus 6.57% of excess over
   Over $107,650 but not over $269,300
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                                          $107,650
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   Over $269,300 but not over $1,616,450 $16,964 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                          $269,300
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   Over $1,616,450
                                          $109,244 plus 8.82% of excess over
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                                          $1,616,450
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(ii) For taxable years beginning in two thousand nineteen the follow-1 2 ing rates shall apply: 3 If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: Not over \$12,800 4% of the New York taxable income Over \$12,800 but not over \$17,650 \$512 plus 4.5% of excess over \$12,800 Over \$17,650 but not over \$20,900 \$730 plus 5.25% of excess over 6 7 **\$17,650** Over \$20,900 but not over \$32,200 \$901 plus 5.9% of excess over \$20,900 9 Over \$32,200 but not over \$107,650 \$1,568 plus 6.21% of excess over 10 <u>\$32,200</u> 11 Over \$107,650 but not over \$269,300 \$6,253 plus 6.49% of excess over 12 <u>\$107,650</u> 13 Over \$269,300 but not over \$1,616,450 \$16,744 plus 6.85% of excess over 14 \$269,300 15 Over \$1,616,450 \$109,024 plus 8.82% of excess over 16 **\$1,616,450** 17 (iii) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty the following 18 rates shall apply: 19 If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: 20 Not over \$12,800 4% of the New York taxable income 21 Over \$12,800 but not over \$17,650 \$512 plus 4.5% of excess over \$12,800 22 Over \$17,650 but not over \$20,900 \$730 plus 5.25% of excess over 23 <u>\$17,650</u> 24 Over \$20,900 but not over \$32,200 \$901 plus 5.9% of excess over \$20,900 25 Over \$32,200 but not over \$107,650 \$1,568 plus 6.09% of excess over 26 \$32,200 27 Over \$107,650 but not over \$269,300 \$6,162 plus 6.41% of excess over 28 \$107,650 29 Over \$269,300 but not over \$1,616,450 \$16,524 plus 6.85% of excess over 30 <u>\$269,300</u> 31 Over \$1,616,450 \$108,804 plus 8.82% of excess over 32 \$1,616,450 33 (iv) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-one the 34 following rates shall apply: If the New York taxable income is: 35 The tax is: 36 Not over \$12,800 4% of the New York taxable income 37 Over \$12,800 but not over \$17,650 \$512 plus 4.5% of excess over 38 \$12,800 39 Over \$17,650 but not over \$20,900 \$730 plus 5.25% of excess over 40 \$17,650 41 Over \$20,900 but not over \$32,200 \$901 plus 5.9% of excess over 42 <u>\$20,900</u> 43 Over \$32,200 but not over \$107,650 \$1,568 plus 5.97% of excess over 44 \$32,200 45 Over \$107,650 but not over \$269,300 \$6,072 plus 6.33% of excess over 46 **\$107,650** 47 Over \$269,300 \$16,304 plus 6.85% of excess over 48 \$269,300 49 (v) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-two the follow-50 ing rates shall apply: 51 If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: 52 Not over \$12,800 4% of the New York taxable income 53 Over \$12,800 but not over \$17,650 \$512 plus 4.5% of excess over 54 \$12,800

\$730 plus 5.25% of excess over

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   Over $20,900 but not over $107,650
                                           $901 plus 5.85% of excess over
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                                           $20,900
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   Over $107,650 but not over $269,300
                                           $5,976 plus 6.25% of excess over
                                           $107,650
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   Over $269,300
                                           $16,079 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                           $269,300
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      (vi) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-three the
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   following rates shall apply:
   If the New York taxable income is:
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                                           The tax is:
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   Not over $12,800
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
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   Over $12,800 but not over $17,650
                                           $512 plus 4.5% of excess over
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                                           $12,800
14
   Over $17,650 but not over $20,900
                                           $730 plus 5.25% of excess over
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                                           $17,650
16
   Over $20,900 but not over $107,650
                                           $901 plus 5.73% of excess over
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                                           <u>$20,900</u>
18
   Over $107,650 but not over $269,300
                                           $5,872 plus 6.17% of excess over
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                                           $107,650
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   Over $269,300
                                           $15,845 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                           <u>$269,300</u>
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      (vii) For taxable years beginning
                                          in two thousand twenty-four the
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    following rates shall apply:
    If the New York taxable income is:
                                           The tax is:
25
   Not over $12,800
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
                                           $512 plus 4.5% of excess over
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   Over $12,800 but not over $17,650
27
                                           $12,800
28
   Over $17,650 but not over $20,900
                                           $730 plus 5.25% of excess over
29
                                           $17,650
30
   Over $20,900 but not over $107,650
                                           $901 plus 5.61% of excess over
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                                           $20,900
32
                                           $5,768 plus 6.09% of excess over
   Over $107,650 but not over $269,300
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                                           $107,650
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   Over $269,300
                                           $15,612 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                           $269,300
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      (viii) For taxable years beginning after two thousand twenty-four the
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   following rates shall apply:
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   If the New York taxable income is:
                                           The tax is:
39
   Not over $12,800
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
40
   Over $12,800 but not over $17,650
                                           $512 plus 4.5% of excess over
41
                                           $12,800
42
   Over $17,650 but not over $20,900
                                           $730 plus 5.25% of excess over
43
                                           $17,650
44
   Over $20,900 but not over $107,650
                                           $901 plus 5.5% of excess over
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                                           <u>$20,900</u>
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   Over $107,650 but not over $269,300
                                           $5,672 plus 6.00% of excess over
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                                           <u>$107,650</u>
                                           $15,371 plus 6.85% of excess over
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   Over $269,300
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      § 3. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (c) of section 601
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   of the tax law is REPEALED and a new subparagraph (B) is added to read
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(B) (i) For taxable years beginning in two thousand eighteen the

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as follows:

following rates shall apply:

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   If the New York taxable income is:
                                           The tax is:
   Not over $8,500
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
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   Over $8,500 but not over $11,700
                                           $340 plus 4.5% of excess over
                                           $8,500
   Over $11,700 but not over $13,900
                                           $484 plus 5.25% of excess over
                                           $11,700
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                                           $600 plus 5.9% of excess over
   Over $13,900 but not over $21,400
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                                           $13,900
9
   Over $21,400 but not over $80,650
                                           $1,042 plus 6.33% of excess over
                                           $21,400
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   Over $80,650 but not over $215,400
                                           $4,793 plus 6.57% of excess over
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                                           $80,650
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   Over $215,400 but not over $1,077,550 $13,646 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                           $215,400
15
   Over $1,077,550
                                           $72,703 plus 8.82% of excess over
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                                           $1,077,550
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      (ii) For taxable years beginning in two thousand nineteen the follow-
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    ing rates shall apply:
19
   If the New York taxable income is:
                                           The tax is:
20
   Not over $8,500
                                           <u>4% of the New York taxable income</u>
21
   Over $8,500 but not over $11,700
                                           $340 plus 4.5% of excess over
22
                                           $8,500
23
   Over $11,700 but not over $13,900
                                           $484 plus 5.25% of excess over
24
                                           $11,700
25
   Over $13,900 but not over $21,400
                                           $600 plus 5.9% of excess over
26
                                           $13,900
27
   Over $21,400 but not over $80,650
                                           $1,042 plus 6.21% of excess over
28
                                           $21,400
29
   Over $80,650 but not over $215,400
                                           $4,721 plus 6.49% of excess over
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                                           <u>$80,650</u>
   Over $215,400 but not over $1,077,550 $13,467 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                           $215,400
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33
   Over $1,077,550
                                           $72,524 plus 8.82% of excess over
34
                                           $1,077,550
35
      (iii) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty the following
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   rates shall apply:
37
   If the New York taxable income is:
                                           The tax is:
38
   Not over $8,500
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
39
   Over $8,500 but not over $11,700
                                           $340 plus 4.5% of excess over
40
                                           $8,500
41
   Over $11,700 but not over $13,900
                                           $484 plus 5.25% of excess over
42
                                           <u>$11,700</u>
43
   Over $13,900 but not over $21,400
                                           $600 plus 5.9% of excess over
44
                                           $13,900
45
   Over $21,400 but not over $80,650
                                           $1,042 plus 6.09% of excess over
46
                                           $21,400
47
   Over $80,650 but not over $215,400
                                           $4,650 plus 6.41% of excess over
48
                                           $80,650
49
   Over $215,400 but not over $1,077,550 $13,288 plus 6.85% of excess over
50
                                           $215,400
51
   Over $1,077,550
                                           $72,345 plus 8.82% of excess over
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                                           $1,077,550
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      (iv) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-one the
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following rates shall apply:

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   If the New York taxable income is:
                                           The tax is:
   Not over $8,500
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
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   Over $8,500 but not over $11,700
                                           $340 plus 4.5% of excess over
                                           $8,500
   Over $11,700 but not over $13,900
                                           $484 plus 5.25% of excess over
                                           $11,700
 6
 7
                                           $600 plus 5.9% of excess over
   Over $13,900 but not over $21,400
 8
                                           $13,900
9
   Over $21,400 but not over $80,650
                                           $1,042 plus 5.97% of excess over
                                           $21,400
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11
   Over $80,650 but not over $215,400
                                           $4,579 plus 6.33% of excess over
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                                           $80,650
13
   Over $215,400
                                           $13,109 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                           $215,400
15
      (v) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-two the follow-
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   ing rates shall apply:
   If the New York taxable income is:
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                                           The tax is:
18
   Not over $8,500
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
19
   Over $8,500 but not over $11,700
                                           $340 plus 4.5% of excess over
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                                           $8,500
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   Over $11,700 but not over $13,900
                                           $484 plus 5.25% of excess over
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                                           $11,700
23
   Over $13,900 but not over $80,650
                                           $600 plus 5.85% of excess over
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                                           $13,900
25
   Over $80,650 but not over $215,400
                                           $4,504 plus 6.25% of excess over
26
                                           $80,650
27
   Over $215,400
                                           $12,926 plus 6.85% of excess over
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                                           $215,400
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      (vi) For taxable years beginning in two thousand twenty-three the
   following rates shall apply:
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   If the New York taxable income is:
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                                           The tax is:
32
   Not over $8,500
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
33
   Over $8,500 but not over $11,700
                                           $340 plus 4.5% of excess over
34
                                           $8,500
35
   Over $11,700 but not over $13,900
                                           $484 plus 5.25% of excess over
36
                                           $11,700
37
   Over $13,900 but not over $80,650
                                           $600 plus 5.73% of excess over
38
                                           <u>$13,900</u>
39
   Over $80,650 but not over $215,400
                                           $4,424 plus 6.17% of excess over
40
                                           $80,650
41
   Over $215,400
                                           $12,738 plus 6.85% of excess over
42
                                           $215,400
43
      (vii) For taxable years beginning
                                         in two thousand twenty-four the
44
   following rates shall apply:
45
   If the New York taxable income is:
                                           The tax is:
                                           4% of the New York taxable income
   Not over $8,500
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   Over $8,500 but not over $11,700
                                           $340 plus 4.5% of excess over
48
                                           $8,500
49
   Over $11,700 but not over $13,900
                                           $484 plus 5.25% of excess over
50
                                           $11,700
51
   Over $13,900 but not over $80,650
                                           $600 plus 5.61% of excess over
52
                                           $13,900
53
   Over $80,650 but not over $215,400
                                           $4,344 plus 6.09% of excess over
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                                           $80,650
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   Over $215,400
                                           $12,550 plus 6.85% of excess over
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(viii) For taxable years beginning after two thousand twenty-four the following rates shall apply: If the New York taxable income is: The tax is: Not over \$8,500 4% of the New York taxable income Over \$8,500 but not over \$11,700 \$340 plus 4.5% of excess over \$8,500 \$484 plus 5.25% of excess over Over \$11,700 but not over \$13,900 \$11,700 Over \$13,900 but not over \$80,650 \$600 plus 5.50% of excess over \$13,900 Over \$80,650 but not over \$215,400 \$4,271 plus 6.00% of excess over \$80,650 Over \$215,400 \$12,356 plus 6.85% of excess over \$215,400

§ 4. Subparagraph (D) of paragraph 1 of subsection (d-1) of section 601 of the tax law, as amended by section 5 of part FF of chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

- (D) The tax table benefit is the difference between (i) the amount of taxable income set forth in the tax table in paragraph one of subsection (a) of this section not subject to the 8.82 percent rate of tax for the taxable year multiplied by such rate and (ii) the dollar denominated tax for such amount of taxable income set forth in the tax table applicable to the taxable year in paragraph one of subsection (a) of this section less the sum of the tax table benefits in subparagraphs (A), (B) and (C) of this paragraph. The fraction for this subparagraph is computed as follows: the numerator is the lesser of fifty thousand dollars or the excess of New York adjusted gross income for the taxable year over two million dollars and the denominator is fifty thousand dollars. This subparagraph shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand twelve and before January first, two thousand [eighteen] twenty-one.
- § 5. Subparagraph (C) of paragraph 2 of subsection (d-1) of section 601 of the tax law, as amended by section 6 of part FF of chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- (C) The tax table benefit is the difference between (i) the amount of taxable income set forth in the tax table in paragraph one of subsection (b) of this section not subject to the 8.82 percent rate of tax for the taxable year multiplied by such rate and (ii) the dollar denominated tax for such amount of taxable income set forth in the tax table applicable to the taxable year in paragraph one of subsection (b) of this section less the sum of the tax table benefits in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph. The fraction for this subparagraph is computed as follows: the numerator is the lesser of fifty thousand dollars or the excess of New York adjusted gross income for the taxable year over one million five hundred thousand dollars and the denominator is fifty thousand dollars. This subparagraph shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand twelve and before January first, two thousand [eighteen] twenty-one.
- § 6. Subparagraph (C) of paragraph 3 of subsection (d-1) of section 601 of the tax law, as amended by section 7 of part FF of chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- (C) The tax table benefit is the difference between (i) the amount of taxable income set forth in the tax table in paragraph one of subsection (c) of this section not subject to the 8.82 percent rate of tax for the taxable year multiplied by such rate and (ii) the dollar denominated tax for such amount of taxable income set forth in the tax table applicable

to the taxable year in paragraph one of subsection (c) of this section less the sum of the tax table benefits in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph. The fraction for this subparagraph is computed as follows: the numerator is the lesser of fifty thousand dollars or the excess of New York adjusted gross income for the taxable year over one million dollars and the denominator is fifty thousand dollars. This subparagraph shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January first, two thousand twelve and before January first, two thousand [eighteen] twenty-one.

§ 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

11 PART S

Section 1. Subsection (g) of section 615 of the tax law, as amended by section 1 of part H of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

(g) (1) With respect to an individual whose New York adjusted gross income is over one million dollars and no more than ten million dollars, the New York itemized deduction shall be an amount equal to fifty percent of any charitable contribution deduction allowed under section one hundred seventy of the internal revenue code [for taxable years beginning after two thousand nine and before two thousand eighteen. With respect to an individual whose New York adjusted gross income is over one million dollars, the New York itemized deduction shall be an amount equal to fifty percent of any charitable contribution deduction allowed under section one hundred seventy of the internal revenue code for taxable years beginning in two thousand nine or after two thousand seventeen].

- (2) With respect to an individual whose New York adjusted gross income is over ten million dollars, the New York itemized deduction shall be an amount equal to twenty-five percent of any charitable contribution deduction allowed under section one hundred seventy of the internal revenue code [for taxable years beginning after two thousand nine and ending before two thousand eighteen].
- § 2. Subdivision (g) of section 11-1715 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as amended by section 2 of part H of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- (g) (1) With respect to an individual whose New York adjusted gross income is over one million dollars but no more than ten million dollars, the New York itemized deduction shall be an amount equal to fifty percent of any charitable contribution deduction allowed under section one hundred seventy of the internal revenue code [for taxable years beginning after two thousand nine and before two thousand eighteen. With respect to an individual whose New York adjusted gross income is over one million dollars, the New York itemized deduction shall be an amount equal to fifty percent of any charitable contribution deduction allowed under section one hundred seventy of the internal revenue code for taxable years beginning in two thousand nine or after two thousand seventeen].
- (2) With respect to an individual whose New York adjusted gross income is over ten million dollars, the New York itemized deduction shall be an amount equal to twenty-five percent of any charitable contribution deduction allowed under section one hundred seventy of the internal revenue code [for taxable years beginning after two thousand nine and ending before two thousand eighteen].
 - § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.



1 PART T

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new paragraph (1-a) to read as follows:

(1-a) For taxable years beginning after two thousand seventeen, for a taxpayer with New York adjusted gross income of at least fifty thousand dollars but less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars, the applicable percentage shall be the applicable percentage otherwise computed under paragraph one of this subsection multiplied by a factor as follows:

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18 than \$150,000 19 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

PART U 20

21 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 and paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 1701 of the tax law, as added by section 1 of part 22 23 CC-1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2008, are amended to read as follows:

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- (a) "Debt" means [all] past-due tax liabilities, including unpaid tax, interest, and penalty, that the commissioner is required by law to collect and that have [been reduced to judgment by the docketing of a New York state tax warrant in the office of a county clerk located in the state of New York or by the filing of a copy of the warrant in the office of the department of state] become fixed and final such that the taxpayer no longer has any right to administrative or judicial review.
- (a) To assist the commissioner in the collection of debts, the depart-32 ment must develop and operate a financial institution data match system for the purpose of identifying and seizing the non-exempt assets of tax debtors as identified by the commissioner. The commissioner is authorized to designate a third party to develop and operate this system. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the commissioner is authorized to disclose the debt and the debtor information to such third party and to financial institutions for purposes of this system. Any third party designated by the commissioner to develop and operate a financial data match system must keep all information it obtains from both the department and the financial institution confidential, and any employee, agent or representative of that third party is prohibited from disclosing that information to anyone other than the department or the financial institution.
 - § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

46 PART V

47 Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 50 of the civil service law is amended by adding a new closing paragraph to read as follows:

49 The department shall require a tax clearance from the department of taxation and finance, as provided for in section one hundred seventy-50

one-w of the tax law, for each applicant and shall refuse to examine an

applicant, or after examination to certify an eligible for whom tax clearance is denied by the department of taxation and finance. A municipal commission, subject to the approval of the governing board or body of the city or county as the case may be, or a regional commission or personnel officer, pursuant to governmental agreement, may elect to require tax clearances for applicants and to refuse to examine an appli-cant, or after examination to certify an eligible for whom a tax clearance is denied by the department of taxation and finance. Provided, however, that the department and municipal commissions shall not require a tax clearance for (1) any current employee; or (2) a person who is considered an applicant by reason of (a) a transfer pursuant to section seventy of this chapter; or (b) a person who is on a preferred list subject to section eighty-one of this chapter; or (c) a person whose name is on an eligible list as defined in section fifty-six of this article and who has successfully completed a promotion exam subject to section fifty-two of this article. Where a tax clearance is required, the application for examination, or the instructions for such applica-tion, shall clearly inform the applicant that a tax clearance will be performed and that, if the tax clearance is denied, the applicant must contact the department of taxation and finance to resolve any past-due tax liabilities or return filing compliance before the application for examination may be resubmitted. Any applicant subject to tax clearance shall be required to provide any information deemed necessary by the department and the department of taxation and finance to efficiently and accurately provide a tax clearance, and the failure by the applicant to provide such information shall disqualify the applicant.

§ 2. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 171-w to read as follows:

§ 171-w. Enforcement of delinquent tax liabilities through tax clearances. (1) For the purposes of this section, the term "tax liabilities" shall mean any tax, surcharge, or fee administered by the commissioner, or any penalty or interest on such tax, surcharge, or fee, owed by an individual or entity. The term "past-due tax liabilities" means any unpaid tax liabilities that have become fixed and final such that the taxpayer no longer has any right to administrative or judicial review. The term "government entity" means the state of New York, or any of its agencies, political subdivisions, instrumentalities, public corporations (including a public corporation created pursuant to agreement or compact with another state or Canada), or combination thereof.

(2) The commissioner, or his or her designee, shall cooperate with any government entity that is required by law or has elected to require tax clearances to establish procedures by which the department shall receive a tax clearance request and transmit such tax clearance to the government entity, and any other procedures deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this section. These procedures shall, to the extent practicable, require secure electronic communication between the department and the requesting government entity for the transmission of tax clearance requests to the department and transmission of tax clearances to the requesting entity. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a government entity shall be authorized to share any applicant data or information with the department that is necessary to ensure the proper matching of the applicant to the tax records maintained by the department.

(3) Upon receipt of a tax clearance request, the department shall examine its records to determine whether the subject of the tax clearance request has past-due tax liabilities equal to or in excess of the



1 dollar threshold applicable for such tax clearance request or, where no 2 threshold has been established by law or otherwise, equal to or in 3 excess of five hundred dollars. When a tax clearance request so requires, the department shall also determine whether (i) the subject of such request has complied with applicable tax return filing requirements 5 6 for each of the past three years; and/or (ii) whether a subject of such 7 request that is an individual or entity that is a person required to 8 register pursuant to section eleven hundred thirty-four of this chapter 9 is registered pursuant to such section. The department shall deny a tax clearance if it determines that the subject of a tax clearance request 10 11 has past-due tax liabilities equal to or in excess of the applicable 12 threshold or, when the tax clearance request so requires, has not 13 complied with applicable return filing and/or registration requirements. 14 (4) If a tax clearance is denied, the government entity that requested 15 the clearance shall provide notice to the applicant to contact the 16 department. Such notice shall be made by first class mail with a certif-17 icate of mailing and a copy of such notice also shall be provided to the 18 department. When the applicant contacts the department, the department 19 shall inform the applicant of the basis for the denial of the tax clear-20 ance and shall also inform the applicant (i) that a tax clearance denied 21 due to past-due tax liabilities may be issued once the taxpayer fully 22 satisfies past-due tax liabilities or makes payment arrangements satisfactory to the commissioner; (ii) that a tax clearance denied due to 23 24 failure to file tax returns may be issued once the applicant has satis-25 fied the applicable return filing requirements; (iii) that a tax clear-

(5) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and except as specifically provided herein, an applicant denied a tax clearance shall have no right to commence a court action or proceeding or seek any other legal recourse against the department or the government entity related to the denial of a tax clearance by the department.

denial of a tax clearance listed in subdivision five of this section.

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(b) An applicant seeking to challenge the denial of a tax clearance must protest to the department or the division of tax appeals no later than sixty days from the date of the notification to the applicant that the tax clearance was denied. An applicant may challenge a department finding of past-due tax liabilities only on the grounds that (i) the individual or entity denied the tax clearance is not the individual or entity with the past-due tax liabilities at issue; (ii) the past-due tax liabilities were satisfied; (iii) the applicant's wages are being garnished for the payment of child support or combined child and spousal support pursuant to an income execution issued pursuant to section fifty-two hundred forty-one or fifty-two hundred forty-two of the civil practice law and rules or another state's income withholding order as authorized under part five of article five-B of the family court act, or garnished by the department for the payment of the past-due tax liabilities at issue; or (iv) the applicant is making child support payments or combined child and spousal support payments pursuant to a satisfactory payment arrangement under section one hundred eleven-b of the social services law with a support collection unit or otherwise making periodic payments in accordance with section four hundred forty of the family court act. An applicant may challenge a department finding of failure to comply with tax return filing requirements only on the grounds that all required tax returns have been filed for each of the past three years.

- (c) Nothing in this subdivision is intended to limit any applicant from seeking relief from joint and several liability pursuant to section six hundred fifty-four of this chapter, to the extent that he or she is eligible pursuant to that section, or establishing to the department that the enforcement of the underlying tax liabilities has been stayed by the filing of a petition pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code of 1978 (Title Eleven of the United States Code).
- (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department may exchange with a government entity any data or information that, in the discretion of the commissioner, is necessary for the implementation of a tax clearance requirement. However, no government entity may re-disclose this information to any other entity or person, other than for the purpose of informing the applicant that a required tax clearance has been denied, unless otherwise permitted by law.
- (7) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the activities to collect past-due tax liabilities undertaken by the department pursuant to this section shall not in any way limit, restrict or impair the department from exercising any other authority to collect or enforce tax liabilities under any other applicable provision of law.
- § 3. This act shall take effect June 1, 2017; provided, however, that the department of taxation and finance, the department of civil service, any municipal commission, and any other government entity electing to receive a tax clearance from the department of taxation and finance may work to execute the necessary procedures and technical changes to support the tax clearance process as described in sections one and two of this act before that date; provided, further, that this effective date will not impact the administration of any tax clearance program authorized by another provision of law.

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 18 of chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, amending the civil practice law and rules and other laws relating to malpractice and professional medical conduct, as amended by section 2 of part C of chapter 59 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The superintendent of financial services and the commissioner of health or their designee shall, from funds available in the hospital excess liability pool created pursuant to subdivision 5 of this section, purchase a policy or policies for excess insurance coverage, as authorized by paragraph 1 of subsection (e) of section 5502 of the insurance law; or from an insurer, other than an insurer described in section 5502 of the insurance law, duly authorized to write such coverage and actually writing medical malpractice insurance in this state; or shall purchase equivalent excess coverage in a form previously approved by the superintendent of financial services for purposes of providing equivalent excess coverage in accordance with section 19 of chapter 294 of the laws of 1985, for medical or dental malpractice occurrences between July 1, 1986 and June 30, 1987, between July 1, 1987 and June 30, 1988, between July 1, 1988 and June 30, 1989, between July 1, 1989 and June 30, 1990, between July 1, 1990 and June 30, 1991, between July 1, 1991 and June 30, 1992, between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1993, between July 1, 1993 and June 30, 1994, between July 1, 1994 and June 30, 1995, between July 1, 1995 and June 30, 1996, between July 1, 1996 and June

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from all such policies with respect to occurrences in each of such years provided, however, if the cost of primary malpractice insurance coverage in excess of one million dollars, but below the excess medical malpractice insurance coverage provided pursuant to this act, exceeds the rate of nine percent per annum, then the required level of primary malpractice insurance coverage in excess of one million dollars for each claim-7 shall be in an amount of not less than the dollar amount of such coverage available at nine percent per annum; the required level of such coverage for all claimants under that policy shall be in an amount not than three times the dollar amount of coverage for each claimant; 10 11 and excess coverage, when combined with such primary malpractice insur-12 ance coverage, shall increase the aggregate level for each claimant by 13 one million dollars and three million dollars for all claimants; provided further, that, with respect to policies of primary medical 15 malpractice coverage that include occurrences between April 1, 2002 and 16 June 30, 2002, such requirement that coverage be in amounts no less than 17 one million three hundred thousand dollars for each claimant and three million nine hundred thousand dollars for all claimants for such occur-18 19 rences shall be effective April 1, 2002.

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Subdivision 3 of section 18 of chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, amending the civil practice law and rules and other laws relating to malpractice and professional medical conduct, as amended by section 3 of part C of chapter 59 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows: The superintendent of financial services shall determine and certify to each general hospital and to the commissioner of health the cost of excess malpractice insurance for medical or dental malpractice occurrences between July 1, 1986 and June 30, 1987, between July 1, 1988 and June 30, 1989, between July 1, 1989 and June 30, 1990, between July 1990 and June 30, 1991, between July 1, 1991 and June 30, 1992, between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1993, between July 1, 1993 and June 30, 1994, between July 1, 1994 and June 30, 1995, between July 1, 1995 and June 30, 1996, between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 1997, between July 1997 and June 30, 1998, between July 1, 1998 and June 30, 1999, between July 1, 1999 and June 30, 2000, between July 1, 2000 and June 2001, between July 1, 2001 and June 30, 2002, between July 1, 2002 and June 30, 2003, between July 1, 2003 and June 30, 2004, between July 2004 and June 30, 2005, between July 1, 2005 and June 30, 2006, between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007, between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009, between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011, between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012, between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, and between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015, between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016, and between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, and between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 allocable to each general hospital for physicians or dentists certified as eligible for purchase of a policy for excess insurance coverage by such general hospital in accordance with subdivision 2 of this section, and may amend such determination and certification as necessary.

(b) The superintendent of financial services shall determine and certify to each general hospital and to the commissioner of health the cost of excess malpractice insurance or equivalent excess coverage for medical or dental malpractice occurrences between July 1, 1987 and June 30, 1988, between July 1, 1988 and June 30, 1989, between July 1, 1989 and June 30, 1990, between July 1, 1990 and June 30, 1991, between July 1, 1991 and June 30, 1992, between July 1, 1992 and June 30, 1993, between July 1, 1993 and June 30, 1994, between July 1, 1994 and June 30, 199

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§ 3. Paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) of subdivision 8 of section 18 of chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, amending the civil practice law and rules and other laws relating to malpractice and professional medical conduct, as amended by section 4 of part C of chapter 59 of the laws of 2016, are amended to read as follows:

1 (a) To the extent funds available to the hospital excess liability pool pursuant to subdivision 5 of this section as amended, and pursuant 2 to section 6 of part J of chapter 63 of the laws of 2001, as may from time to time be amended, which amended this subdivision, are insufficient to meet the costs of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage for coverage periods during the period July 1, 1992 to 7 June 30, 1993, during the period July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994, during the period July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995, during the period July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996, during the period July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997, during the period July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998, during the period July 10 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999, during the period July 1, 1999 to June 30, 11 12 2000, during the period July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, during the period 13 July 1, 2001 to October 29, 2001, during the period April 1, 2002 to 14 June 30, 2002, during the period July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, during 15 the period July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, during the period July 1, 2004 16 to June 30, 2005, during the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, 17 during the period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, during the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, during the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 18 19 2009, during the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, during the period 20 July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, during the period July 1, 2011 to June 21 30, 2012, during the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, during the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, during the period July 1, 2014 to 23 June 30, 2015, during the period July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016, [and between] during the period July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, and during 25 the period July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 allocated or reallocated in accordance with paragraph (a) of subdivision 4-a of this section to 26 27 rates of payment applicable to state governmental agencies, each physi-28 cian or dentist for whom a policy for excess insurance coverage or 29 equivalent excess coverage is purchased for such period shall be respon-30 sible for payment to the provider of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage of an allocable share of such insufficiency, based 31 on the ratio of the total cost of such coverage for such physician to 32 33 the sum of the total cost of such coverage for all physicians applied to 34 such insufficiency.

(b) Each provider of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage covering the period July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993, or covering the period July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994, or covering the period July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995, or covering the period July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996, or covering the period July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997, or covering the period July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998, or covering the period July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999, or covering the period July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000, or covering the period July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, or covering the period July 1, 2001 to October 29, 2001, or covering the period April 1, 2002 to June 30, 2002, or covering the period July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, or covering the period July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, or covering the period July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, or covering the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, or covering the period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, or covering the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, or covering the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, or covering the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, or covering the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, or covering the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, or covering the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, or covering the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, or covering the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, or covering the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, or covering the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, or covering the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 shall notify a covered physician or

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dentist by mail, mailed to the address shown on the last application for excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage, of the amount due to such provider from such physician or dentist for such coverage period determined in accordance with paragraph (a) of this subdivision. Such amount shall be due from such physician or dentist to such provider of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage in a time and manner determined by the superintendent of financial services.

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(c) If a physician or dentist liable for payment of a portion of costs of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage covering the period July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993, or covering the period July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994, or covering the period July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995, or covering the period July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996, or covering the period July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997, or covering the period July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998, or covering the period July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999, or covering the period July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000, or covering the period July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, or covering the period July 1, 2001 to October 29, 2001, or covering the period April 1, 2002 to June 30, 2002, or covering the period July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, or covering the period July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, or covering the period July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, or covering the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, or covering the period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, or covering the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, or covering the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, or covering the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, or covering the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, or covering the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, or covering the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, or covering the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, or covering the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, or covering the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, or covering the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, or covering the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 determined in accordance with paragraph (a) of this subdivision fails, refuses or neglects to make payment to the provider of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage in such time and manner as determined by the superintendent of financial services pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subdivision, excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage purchased for such physician or dentist in accordance with this section for such coverage period shall be cancelled and shall be null and void as of the first day on or after the commencement of a policy period where the liability for payment pursuant to this subdivision has not been met.

(d) Each provider of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage shall notify the superintendent of financial services and the commissioner of health or their designee of each physician and dentist eligible for purchase of a policy for excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage covering the period July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993, or covering the period July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994, or covering the period July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995, or covering the period July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996, or covering the period July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997, or covering the period July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998, or covering the period July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999, or covering the period July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000, or covering the period July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, or covering the period July 1, 2001 to October 29, 2001, or covering the period April 1, 2002 to June 30, 2002, or covering the period July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, or covering the period July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, or covering the period July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, or covering the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, or covering the period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, or covering the period July 1, 2007 to

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13 (e) A provider of excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess 14 coverage shall refund to the hospital excess liability pool any amount 15 allocable to the period July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993, and to the period 16 July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994, and to the period July 1, 1994 to June 17 30, 1995, and to the period July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996, and to the period July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997, and to the period July 1, 1997 to 18 19 June 30, 1998, and to the period July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999, and to the period July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000, and to the period July 1, 2000 20 21 to June 30, 2001, and to the period July 1, 2001 to October 29, 2001, 22 and to the period April 1, 2002 to June 30, 2002, and to the period July 23 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, and to the period July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, and to the period July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, and to the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, and to the period July 1, 2006 to June 25 26 30, 2007, and to the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, and to the 27 period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, and to the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, and to the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, and to 28 the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, and to the period July 1, 2012 29 to June 30, 2013, and to the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, and 30 to the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, and to the period July 1, 31 2015 to June 30, 2016, [and] to the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 32 2017, and to the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 received from the 33 hospital excess liability pool for purchase of excess insurance coverage 35 or equivalent excess coverage covering the period July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993, and covering the period July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994, and 36 covering the period July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995, and covering the period July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996, and covering the period July 1, 38 39 1996 to June 30, 1997, and covering the period July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998, and covering the period July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999, and cover-41 ing the period July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000, and covering the period July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, and covering the period July 1, 2001 to 42 October 29, 2001, and covering the period April 1, 2002 to June 30, 44 2002, and covering the period July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, and cover-45 ing the period July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, and covering the period July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, and covering the period July 1, 2005 to 47 June 30, 2006, and covering the period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, and covering the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, and covering the 48 period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, and covering the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, and covering the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, and covering the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, and cover-51 ing the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, and covering the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, and covering the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, and covering the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, 54 and covering the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, and covering the 55 period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 for a physician or dentist where

such excess insurance coverage or equivalent excess coverage is cancelled in accordance with paragraph (c) of this subdivision.

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§ 4. Section 40 of chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, amending the civil practice law and rules and other laws relating to malpractice and professional medical conduct, as amended by section 5 of part C of chapter 59 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

§ 40. The superintendent of financial services shall establish rates 7 for policies providing coverage for physicians and surgeons medical malpractice for the periods commencing July 1, 1985 and ending June 30, [2017] 2018; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision 10 11 of law, the superintendent shall not establish or approve any increase 12 in rates for the period commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 13 The superintendent shall direct insurers to establish segregated accounts for premiums, payments, reserves and investment income attributable to such premium periods and shall require periodic reports by the insurers regarding claims and expenses attributable to such periods to 17 monitor whether such accounts will be sufficient to meet incurred claims 18 and expenses. On or after July 1, 1989, the superintendent shall impose 19 a surcharge on premiums to satisfy a projected deficiency that is attributable to the premium levels established pursuant to this section 20 21 for such periods; provided, however, that such annual surcharge shall not exceed eight percent of the established rate until July 1, [2017] 23 2018, at which time and thereafter such surcharge shall not exceed twenty-five percent of the approved adequate rate, and that such annual surcharges shall continue for such period of time as shall be sufficient 26 to satisfy such deficiency. The superintendent shall not impose such 27 surcharge during the period commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010. On and after July 1, 1989, the surcharge prescribed by this 29 section shall be retained by insurers to the extent that they insured physicians and surgeons during the July 1, 1985 through June 30, [2017] 30 2018 policy periods; in the event and to the extent physicians and 31 surgeons were insured by another insurer during such periods, all or a 32 33 pro rata share of the surcharge, as the case may be, shall be remitted to such other insurer in accordance with rules and regulations to be promulgated by the superintendent. Surcharges collected from physicians 35 36 and surgeons who were not insured during such policy periods shall be 37 apportioned among all insurers in proportion to the premium written by 38 each insurer during such policy periods; if a physician or surgeon was 39 insured by an insurer subject to rates established by the superintendent 40 during such policy periods, and at any time thereafter a hospital, 41 health maintenance organization, employer or institution is responsible 42 for responding in damages for liability arising out of such physician's 43 surgeon's practice of medicine, such responsible entity shall also 44 remit to such prior insurer the equivalent amount that would then be 45 collected as a surcharge if the physician or surgeon had continued to remain insured by such prior insurer. In the event any insurer that provided coverage during such policy periods is in liquidation, the 47 property/casualty insurance security fund shall receive the portion of 48 surcharges to which the insurer in liquidation would have been entitled. The surcharges authorized herein shall be deemed to be income earned for 51 the purposes of section 2303 of the insurance law. The superintendent, 52 in establishing adequate rates and in determining any projected deficiency pursuant to the requirements of this section and the insurance 54 law, shall give substantial weight, determined in his discretion and 55 judgment, to the prospective anticipated effect of any regulations promulgated and laws enacted and the public benefit of



1 malpractice rates and minimizing rate level fluctuation during the peri2 od of time necessary for the development of more reliable statistical
3 experience as to the efficacy of such laws and regulations affecting
4 medical, dental or podiatric malpractice enacted or promulgated in 1985,
5 1986, by this act and at any other time. Notwithstanding any provision
6 of the insurance law, rates already established and to be established by
7 the superintendent pursuant to this section are deemed adequate if such
8 rates would be adequate when taken together with the maximum authorized
9 annual surcharges to be imposed for a reasonable period of time whether
10 or not any such annual surcharge has been actually imposed as of the
11 establishment of such rates.

§ 5. Section 5 and subdivisions (a) and (e) of section 6 of part J of chapter 63 of the laws of 2001, amending chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, amending the civil practice law and rules and other laws relating to malpractice and professional medical conduct, as amended by section 6 of part C of chapter 59 of the laws of 2016, are amended to read as follows:

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- § 5. The superintendent of financial services and the commissioner of health shall determine, no later than June 15, 2002, June 15, 2003, June 15, 2004, June 15, 2005, June 15, 2006, June 15, 2007, June 15, 2008, June 15, 2009, June 15, 2010, June 15, 2011, June 15, 2012, June 15, 2013, June 15, 2014, June 15, 2015, June 15, 2016, [and] June 15, 2017, and June 15, 2018 the amount of funds available in the hospital excess liability pool, created pursuant to section 18 of chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, and whether such funds are sufficient for purposes of purchasing excess insurance coverage for eligible participating physicians and dentists during the period July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002, or July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, or July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, or July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, or July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, or July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, or July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, or July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, or July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, or July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, or July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, or July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, or July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, or July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, or July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, or July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, or to July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 as applicable.
- (a) This section shall be effective only upon a determination, pursuant to section five of this act, by the superintendent of financial services and the commissioner of health, and a certification of such determination to the state director of the budget, the chair of the senate committee on finance and the chair of the assembly committee on ways and means, that the amount of funds in the hospital excess liability pool, created pursuant to section 18 of chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, is insufficient for purposes of purchasing excess insurance coverage for eligible participating physicians and dentists during the period July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002, or July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, or July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, or July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, or July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, or July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, or July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, or July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, or July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, or July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, or July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, or July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, or July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, or July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, or July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, or July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, or July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 as applicable.
- 54 (e) The commissioner of health shall transfer for deposit to the 55 hospital excess liability pool created pursuant to section 18 of chapter 56 266 of the laws of 1986 such amounts as directed by the superintendent



of financial services for the purchase of excess liability insurance coverage for eligible participating physicians and dentists for the policy year July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002, or July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, or July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, or July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, or July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006, or July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, as applicable, and the cost of administering the hospital excess liability pool for such applicable policy year, pursuant to the program 7 established in chapter 266 of the laws of 1986, as amended, no later than June 15, 2002, June 15, 2003, June 15, 2004, June 15, 2005, June 15, 2006, June 15, 2007, June 15, 2008, June 15, 2009, June 15, 2010, 10 June 15, 2011, June 15, 2012, June 15, 2013, June 15, 2014, June 15, 12 2015, June 15, 2016, [and] June 15, 2017, and June 15, 2018 as applica-13 ble.

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§ 6. Notwithstanding any law, rule or regulation to the contrary, only physicians or dentists who were eligible, and for whom the superintendent of financial services and the commissioner of health, or their designee, purchased, with funds available in the hospital excess liability pool, a full or partial policy for excess coverage or equivalent excess coverage for the coverage period ending the thirtieth of June, two thousand seventeen, shall be eligible to apply for such coverage for the coverage period beginning the first of July, two thousand seventeen; provided, however, if the total number of physicians or dentists for whom such excess coverage or equivalent excess coverage was purchased for the policy year ending the thirtieth of June, two thousand seventeen exceeds the total number of physicians or dentists certified as eligible for the coverage period beginning the first of July, two thousand seventhen the general hospitals may certify additional eligible physicians or dentists in a number equal to such general hospital's proportional share of the total number of physicians or dentists for whom excess coverage or equivalent excess coverage was purchased with funds available in the hospital excess liability pool as of the thirtieth of June, two thousand seventeen, as applied to the difference between the number of eligible physicians or dentists for whom a policy for excess coverage or equivalent excess coverage was purchased for the coverage period ending the thirtieth of June, two thousand seventeen and the number of such eligible physicians or dentists who have applied for excess coverage or equivalent excess coverage for the coverage period beginning the first of July, two thousand seventeen.

§ 7. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 171-w to read as follows:

§ 171-w. Enforcement of delinquent tax liabilities through tax clearances. (1) For the purposes of this section, the term "tax liabilities" shall mean any tax, surcharge, or fee administered by the commissioner, or any penalty or interest on such tax, surcharge or fee, owed by an individual or entity. The term "past-due tax liabilities" means any unpaid tax liabilities that have become fixed and final such that the taxpayer no longer has any right to administrative or judicial review. The term "government entity" means the state of New York, or any of its agencies, political subdivisions, instrumentalities, public corporations (including a public corporation created pursuant to agreement or compact with another state or Canada), or combination thereof.

(2) The commissioner, or his or her designee, shall cooperate with any government entity that is required by law or has elected to require tax clearances to establish procedures by which the department shall receive a tax clearance request and transmit such tax clearance to the government entity, and any other procedures deemed necessary to carry out the

provisions of this section. These procedures shall, to the extent practicable, require secure electronic communication between the department and the requesting government entity for the transmission of tax clearance requests to the department and transmission of tax clearances to the requesting entity. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a government entity shall be authorized to share any applicant data or information with the department that is necessary to ensure the proper matching of the applicant to the tax records maintained by the department.

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- Upon receipt of a tax clearance request, the department shall examine its records to determine whether the subject of the tax clearance request has past-due tax liabilities equal to or in excess of the dollar threshold applicable for such tax clearance request or, where no threshold has been established by law or otherwise, equal to or in excess of five hundred dollars. When a tax clearance request so requires, the department shall also determine whether (i) the subject of such request has complied with applicable tax return filing requirements for each of the past three years; and/or (ii) whether a subject of such request that is an individual or entity that is a person required to register pursuant to section eleven hundred thirty-four of this chapter is registered pursuant to such section. The department shall deny a tax clearance if it determines that the subject of a tax clearance request has past-due tax liabilities equal to or in excess of the applicable threshold or, when the tax clearance request so requires, has not complied with applicable return filing and/or registration requirements. (4) If a tax clearance is denied, the government entity that requested the clearance shall provide notice to the applicant to contact the department. Such notice shall be made by first class mail with a certificate of mailing and a copy of such notice also shall be provided to the department. When the applicant contacts the department, the department shall inform the applicant of the basis for the denial of the tax clearance and shall also inform the applicant (i) that a tax clearance denied due to past-due tax liabilities may be issued once the taxpayer fully satisfies past-due tax liabilities or makes payment arrangements satisfactory to the commissioner; (ii) that a tax clearance denied due to failure to file tax returns may be issued once the applicant has satisfied the applicable return filing requirements; (iii) that a tax clearance denied for failure to register pursuant to section eleven hundred thirty-four of this chapter may be issued once the applicant has registered pursuant to such section; and (iv) the grounds for challenging the
- (5) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and except as specifically provided herein, an applicant denied a tax clearance shall have no right to commence a court action or proceeding or seek any other legal recourse against the department or the government entity related to the denial of a tax clearance by the department.

denial of a tax clearance listed in subdivision five of this section.

(b) An applicant seeking to challenge the denial of a tax clearance must protest to the department or the division of tax appeals no later than sixty days from the date of the notification to the applicant that the tax clearance was denied. An applicant may challenge a department finding of past-due tax liabilities only on the grounds that (i) the individual or entity denied the tax clearance is not the individual or entity with the past-due tax liabilities at issue; (ii) the past-due tax liabilities were satisfied; (iii) the applicant's wages are being garnished for the payment of child support or combined child and spousal support pursuant to an income execution issued pursuant to section

fifty-two hundred forty-one or fifty-two hundred forty-two of the civil 1 practice law and rules or another state's income withholding order as authorized under part five of article five-B of the family court act, or garnished by the department for the payment of the past-due tax liabilities at issue; or (iv) the applicant is making child support payments or combined child and spousal support payments pursuant to a satisfac-7 tory payment arrangement under section one hundred eleven-b of the social services law with a support collection unit or otherwise making periodic payments in accordance with section four hundred forty of the 10 family court act. An applicant may challenge a department finding of failure to comply with tax return filing requirements only on the 11 12 grounds that all required tax returns have been filed for each of the 13 past three years.

- (c) Nothing in this subdivision is intended to limit any applicant from seeking relief from joint and several liability pursuant to section six hundred fifty-four of this chapter, to the extent that he or she is eligible pursuant to that section, or establishing to the department that the enforcement of the underlying tax liabilities has been stayed by the filing of a petition pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code of 1978 (title eleven of the United States Code).
- (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department may exchange with a government entity any data or information that, in the discretion of the commissioner, is necessary for the implementation of a tax clearance requirement. However, no government entity may re-disclose this information to any other entity or person, other than for the purpose of informing the applicant that a required tax clearance has been denied, unless otherwise permitted by law.
- 28 (7) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the activities to 29 collect past-due tax liabilities undertaken by the department pursuant to this section shall not in any way limit, restrict or impair the 30 31 department from exercising any other authority to collect or enforce tax liabilities under any other applicable provision of law. 32
 - § 8. This act shall take effect immediately.

34 PART X

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Section 1. Section 2 of part Q of chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, 36 amending the tax law, relating to serving an income execution with respect to individual tax debtors without filing a warrant, as amended by section 1 of part DD of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:

- 40 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately [and shall expire and be 41 deemed repealed on and after April 1, 2017].
- 42 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to 43 have been in full force and effect on and after April 1, 2017.

44 PART Y

- Section 1. Subdivision 1-A of section 208 of the tax law, as amended 45 by section 4 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to 46 47 read as follows:
- 48 1-A. The term "New York S corporation" means, with respect to any 49 taxable year, a corporation subject to tax under this article [for which an election is in effect pursuant to subsection (a) of section six 50 51 hundred sixty of this chapter for such year] and described in subsection (b) of section six hundred sixty of this chapter, and any such year

shall be denominated a "New York S year"[, and such election shall be denominated a "New York S election"]. The term "New York C corporation" means, with respect to any taxable year, a corporation subject to tax under this article which is not a New York S corporation, and any such year shall be denominated a "New York C year". The term "termination year" means any taxable year of a corporation during which the corpo-7 ration's status as a New York S [election] corporation terminates on a day other than the first day of such year. The portion of the taxable year ending before the first day for which such termination is effective shall be denominated the "S short year", and the portion of such year 10 beginning on such first day shall be denominated the "C short year". The term "New York S termination year" means any termination year which is 13 [not] also an S termination year for federal purposes.

§ 2. Subdivision 1-B, paragraph (ii) of the opening paragraph and paragraph (k) of subdivision 9 of section 208 of the tax law are REPEALED.

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- § 3. Subdivision 1 of section 210-A of the tax law, as amended by section 21 of part T of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. General. Business income and capital shall be apportioned to the state by the apportionment factor determined pursuant to this section. The apportionment factor is a fraction, determined by including only those receipts, net income, net gains, and other items described in this section that are included in the computation of the taxpayer's business income (determined without regard to the modification provided in subparagraph nineteen of paragraph (a) of subdivision nine of section two hundred eight of this article) for the taxable year. The numerator of the apportionment fraction shall be equal to the sum of all the amounts required to be included in the numerator pursuant to the provisions of this section and the denominator of the apportionment fraction shall be equal to the sum of all the amounts required to be included in the denominator pursuant to the provisions of this section. For a New York S corporation, the receipts included in the apportionment fraction are those receipts, net income (not less than zero), net gains (not less than zero), and other items described in this section that are included in the New York S corporation's nonseparately computed income and loss or in the New York S corporation's separately stated items of income and loss, determined pursuant to subdivision (a) of section 1366 of the internal revenue code.
- § 4. Section 660 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 606 of the laws of 1984, subsections (a) and (h) as amended by section 73 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, paragraph 3 of subsection (b) as amended by section 51 of part A of chapter 389 of the laws of 1997, paragraphs 4 and 5 as added and paragraph 6 of subsection (b) as renumbered by section 52 of part A of chapter 389 of the laws of 1997, subsection (d) as added by chapter 760 of the laws of 1992, subsections (e) and (f) as added and subsection (g) as relettered by section 53 of part A of chapter 389 of the laws of 1997, subsection (i) as added by section 1 of part L of chapter 60 of the laws of 2007, and paragraph 1 of subsection (i) as amended by section 39 of part T of chapter 59 of the laws of 2015, is amended to read as follows:
- § 660. [Election by shareholders of S corporations.] <u>Tax treatment of federal S corporations</u>. (a) [Election.] If a corporation is an [eligible] S corporation <u>described in subsection</u> (b) of this <u>section</u>, the shareholders of the corporation [may elect in the manner set forth in subsection (b) of this section to] <u>shall</u> take into account, to the

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chapter, in the case of a shareholder which is a taxpayer under such article), the S corporation items of income, loss, deduction and reductions for taxes described in paragraphs two and three of subsection of section thirteen hundred sixty-six of the internal revenue code which are taken into account for federal income tax purposes for the taxable year. [No election under this subsection shall be effective unless all shareholders of the corporation have so elected. An eligible] (b) A New York S corporation is (i) [an S] a corporation that has made a valid election to be an S corporation for federal income tax purposes pursuant to section 1362 of the internal revenue code which is subject to tax under article nine-A of this chapter, or (ii) [an S] a corporation that has made a valid election to be an S corporation for federal income tax purposes pursuant to section 1362 of the internal revenue code which is the parent of a qualified subchapter S subsidiary as defined in subparagraph (B) of paragraph three of subsection (b) of section thirteen hundred sixty-one of the internal revenue code subject to tax under article nine-A[, where the shareholders of such parent corporation are entitled to make the election under this subsection by reason of subparagraph three of paragraph (k) of subdivision nine of section two hundred eight] of this chapter.

- [(b) Requirements of election. An election under subsection (a) of this section shall be made on such form and in such manner as the tax commission may prescribe by regulation or instruction.
- (1) When made. An election under subsection (a) of this section may be made at any time during the preceding taxable year of the corporation or at any time during the taxable year of the corporation and on or before the fifteenth day of the third month of such taxable year.
- (2) Certain elections made during first two and one-half months. If an election made under subsection (a) of this section is made for any taxable year of the corporation during such year and on or before the fifteenth day of the third month of such year, such election shall be treated as made for the following taxable year if
- (A) on one or more days in such taxable year before the day on which the election was made the corporation did not meet the requirements of subsection (b) of section thirteen hundred sixty-one of the internal revenue code or
- (B) one or more of the shareholders who held stock in the corporation during such taxable year and before the election was made did not consent to the election.
- (3) Elections made after first two and one-half months. If an election under subsection (a) of this section is made for any taxable year of the corporation and such election is made after the fifteenth day of the third month of such taxable year and on or before the fifteenth day of the third month of the following taxable year, such election shall be treated as made for the following taxable year.
- (4) Taxable years of two and one-half months or less. For purposes of this subsection, an election for a taxable year made not later than two months and fifteen days after the first day of the taxable year shall be treated as timely made during such year.
- (5) Authority to treat late elections, etc., as timely. If (A) an election under subsection (a) of this section is made for any taxable year (determined without regard to paragraph three of this subsection) after the date prescribed by this subsection for making such election for such taxable year, or if no such election is made for any taxable year, and

(B) the commissioner determines that there was reasonable cause for failure to timely make such election, then

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- (C) the commissioner may treat such an election as timely made for such taxable year (and paragraph three of this subsection shall not apply).
- (6) Years for which effective. An election under subsection (a) of this section shall be effective for the taxable year of the corporation for which it is made and for all succeeding taxable years of the corporation until such election is terminated under subsection (c) of this section.1
- (c) Termination. An [election under subsection (a) of this section] S corporation shall cease to be [effective
- (1)] a New York S corporation on the day an election to be an S corporation ceases to be effective for federal income tax purposes pursuant to subsection (d) of section thirteen hundred sixty-two of the internal revenue code[, or
- (2) if shareholders holding more than one-half of the shares of stock of the corporation on the day on which the revocation is made revoke such election in the manner the tax commission may prescribe by regulation,
- on the first day of the taxable year of the corporation, if the revocation is made during such taxable year and on or before the fifteenth day of the third month thereof, or
- (B) on the first day of the following taxable year of the corporation, if the revocation is made during the taxable year but after the fifteenth day of the third month thereof, or
- (C) on and after the date so specified, if the revocation specifies a date for revocation which is on or after the day on which the revocation is made, or
- (3) if any person who was not a shareholder of the corporation on the day on which the election is made becomes a shareholder in the corporation and affirmatively refuses to consent to such election in the manner the tax commission may prescribe by regulation, on the day such person becomes a shareholder].
- (d) New York S termination year. In the case of a New York S termination year, the amount of any item of S corporation income, loss and deduction and reductions for taxes (as described in paragraphs two and three of subsection (f) of section thirteen hundred sixty-six of the internal revenue code) required to be taken account of under this article shall be adjusted in the same manner that the S corporation's items which are included in the shareholder's federal adjusted gross income are adjusted under subsection (s) of section six hundred twelve.
- [Inadvertent invalid elections. If (1) an subsection (a) of this section was not effective for the taxable year for which made (determined without regard to paragraph two of subsection (b) of this section) by reason of a failure to obtain shareholder consents,
- (2) the commissioner determines that the circumstances resulting in such ineffectiveness were inadvertent,
- (3) no later than a reasonable period of time after discovery of the circumstances resulting in such ineffectiveness, steps were taken to acquire the required shareholder consents, and
- (4) the corporation, and each person who was a shareholder in the corporation at any time during the period specified pursuant to this 54 subsection, agrees to make such adjustments (consistent with the treat-

ment of the corporation as a New York S corporation) as may be required by the commissioner with respect to such period,

- (5) then, notwithstanding the circumstances resulting in such ineffectiveness, such corporation shall be treated as a New York S corporation during the period specified by the commissioner.
- (f) Validated federal elections. If (1) an election under subsection (a) of this section was made for a taxable year or years of a corporation, which years occur with or within the period for which the federal S election of such corporation has been validated pursuant to the provisions of subsection (f) of section thirteen hundred sixty-two of the internal revenue code, and
- (2) the corporation, and each person who was a shareholder in the corporation at any time during such taxable year or years agrees to make such adjustments (consistent with the treatment of the corporation as a New York S corporation) as may be required by the commissioner with respect to such year or years,
- (3) then such corporation shall be treated as a New York S corporation during such year or years.
- (g) Transitional rule. Any election made under this section (as in effect for taxable years beginning before January first, nineteen hundred eighty-three) shall be treated as an election made under subsection (a) of this section.
- (h)] Qualified subchapter S subsidiaries. If an S corporation has elected to treat its wholly owned subsidiary as a qualified subchapter S subsidiary for federal income tax purposes under paragraph three of subsection (b) of section 1361 of the internal revenue code, such election shall be applicable for New York state tax purposes and
- (1) the assets, liabilities, income, deductions, property, payroll, receipts, capital, credits, and all other tax attributes and elements of economic activity of the subsidiary shall be deemed to be those of the parent corporation,
- (2) transactions between the parent corporation and the subsidiary, including the payment of interest and dividends, shall not be taken into account, and
- (3) general executive officers of the subsidiary shall be deemed to be general executive officers of the parent corporation.
- (f) Cross reference. For definitions relating to S corporations, see subdivision one-A of section two hundred eight of this chapter.
- [(i) Mandated New York S corporation election. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions in subsection (a) of this section, in the case of an eligible S corporation for which the election under subsection (a) of this section is not in effect for the current taxable year, the shareholders of an eligible S corporation are deemed to have made that election effective for the eligible S corporation's entire current taxable year, if the eligible S corporation's investment income for the current taxable year is more than fifty percent of its federal gross income for such year. In determining whether an eligible S corporation is deemed to have made that election, the income of a qualified subchapter S subsidiary owned directly or indirectly by the eligible S corporation shall be included with the income of the eligible S corporation.
- (2) For the purposes of this subsection, the term "eligible S corporation" has the same definition as in subsection (a) of this section.
- (3) For the purposes of this subsection, the term "investment income" means the sum of an eligible S corporation's gross income from interest, dividends, royalties, annuities, rents and gains derived from dealings in property, including the corporation's share of such items from a

1 partnership, estate or trust, to the extent such items would be includa-2 ble in federal gross income for the taxable year.

(4) Estimated tax payments. When making estimated tax payments required to be made under this chapter in the current tax year, the eligible S corporation and its shareholders may rely on the eligible S corporation's filing status for the prior year. If the eligible S corporation's filing status changes from the prior tax year the corporation or the shareholders, as the case may be, which made the payments shall be entitled to a refund of such estimated tax payments. No additions to tax with respect to any required declarations or payments of estimated tax imposed under this chapter shall be imposed on the corporation or shareholders, whichever is the taxpayer for the current taxable year, if the corporation or the shareholders file such declarations and make such estimated tax payments by January fifteenth of the following calendar year, regardless of whether the taxpayer's tax year is a calendar or a fiscal year.]

- § 5. Subparagraph (A) of paragraph 18 of subsection (b) of section 612 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 28 of the laws of 1987, is amended to read as follows:
- (A) [where the election provided for in subsection (a) of section six hundred sixty is in effect with respect to such corporation] that is a New York S corporation, an amount equal to his pro rata share of the corporation's reductions for taxes described in paragraphs two and three of subsection (f) of section thirteen hundred sixty-six of the internal revenue code, and
- § 6. Paragraph 19 of subsection (b) of section 612 of the tax law is REPEALED.
- § 7. Paragraphs 20 and 21 of subsection (b) of section 612 of the tax law, paragraph 20 as amended by chapter 606 of the laws of 1984 and paragraph 21 as amended by section 70 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, are amended to read as follows:
- (20) S corporation distributions to the extent not included in federal gross income for the taxable year because of the application of section thirteen hundred sixty-eight, subsection (e) of section thirteen hundred seventy-one or subsection (c) of section thirteen hundred seventy-nine of the internal revenue code which represent income not previously subject to tax under this article because the election provided for in subsection (a) of section six hundred sixty in effect for taxable years beginning before January first, two thousand eighteen had not been made. Any such distribution treated in the manner described in paragraph two of subsection (b) of section thirteen hundred sixty-eight of the internal revenue code for federal income tax purposes shall be treated as ordinary income for purposes of this article.
- (21) In relation to the disposition of stock or indebtedness of a corporation which elected under subchapter s of chapter one of the internal revenue code for any taxable year of such corporation beginning, in the case of a corporation taxable under article nine-A of this chapter, after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred eighty and before January first, two thousand eighteen, the amount required to be added to federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subsection (n) of this section.
- § 8. Paragraph 21 of subsection (c) of section 612 of the tax law, as amended by section 70 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- (21) In relation to the disposition of stock or indebtedness of a corporation which elected under subchapter s of chapter one of the



internal revenue code for any taxable year of such corporation beginning, in the case of a corporation taxable under article nine-A of this chapter, after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred eighty and before January first, two thousand eighteen, the amounts required to be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income pursuant to subsection (n) of this section.

§ 9. Paragraph 22 of subsection (c) of section 612 of the tax law is REPEALED.

- § 10. Subsection (e) of section 612 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 166 of the laws of 1991 and paragraph 3 as added by chapter 760 of the laws of 1992, is amended to read as follows:
- (e) Modifications of partners and shareholders of S corporations. (1) Partners and shareholders of S corporations [which are not New York C corporations]. The amounts of modifications required to be made under this section by a partner or by a shareholder of an S corporation [(other than an S corporation which is a New York C corporation)], which relate to partnership or S corporation items of income, gain, loss or deduction shall be determined under section six hundred seventeen and, in the case of a partner of a partnership doing an insurance business as a member of the New York insurance exchange described in section six thousand two hundred one of the insurance law, under section six hundred seventeen-a of this article.
- (2) [Shareholders of S corporations which are New York C corporations. In the case of a shareholder of an S corporation which is a New York C corporation, the modifications under this section which relate to the corporation's items of income, loss and deduction shall not apply, except for the modifications provided under paragraph nineteen of subsection (b) and paragraph twenty-two of subsection (c) of this section.
- (3)] New York S termination year. In the case of a New York S termination year, the amounts of the modifications required under this section which relate to the S corporation's items of income, loss, deduction and reductions for taxes (as described in paragraphs two and three of subsection (f) of section thirteen hundred sixty-six of the internal revenue code) shall be adjusted in the same manner that the S corporation's items are adjusted under subsection (s) of [section six hundred twelve] this section.
- § 11. Subsection (n) of section 612 of the tax law, as amended by section 61 of part A of chapter 389 of the laws of 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- (n) Where gain or loss is recognized for federal income tax purposes upon the disposition of stock or indebtedness of a corporation electing under subchapter s of chapter one of the internal revenue code
- (1) There shall be added to federal adjusted gross income the amount of increase in basis with respect to such stock or indebtedness pursuant to subsection (a) of section thirteen hundred seventy-six of the internal revenue code as such section was in effect for taxable years beginning before January first, nineteen hundred eighty-three and subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph one of subsection (a) of section thirteen hundred sixty-seven of such code, for each taxable year of the corporation beginning, in the case of a corporation taxable under article nine-A of this chapter, after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred eighty and before January first, two thousand eighteen, and in the case of a corporation taxable under article thirty-two of this chapter, after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-six and before January first, two thousand fifteen, for which the election provided for

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- (A) the amount of reduction in basis with respect to such stock or indebtedness pursuant to subsection (b) of section thirteen hundred seventy-six of the internal revenue code as such section was in effect for taxable years beginning before January first, nineteen hundred eighty-three and subparagraphs (B) and (C) of paragraph two of subsection (a) of section thirteen hundred sixty-seven of such code, for each taxable year of the corporation beginning, in the case of a corporation taxable under article nine-A of this chapter, after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred eighty and before January first, two thousand eighteen, and in the case of a corporation taxable under article thirty-two of this chapter, after December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-six and before January first, two thousand fifteen, for which the election provided for in subsection (a) of section six hundred sixty of this article was not in effect and
- (B) the amount of any modifications to federal gross income with respect to such stock pursuant to paragraph twenty of subsection (b) of this section.
- § 12. Subparagraph (E-1) of paragraph 1 of subsection (b) of section 631 of the tax law, as added by section 3 of part C of chapter 57 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- (E-1) in the case of [an] <u>a New York</u> S corporation [for which an election is in effect pursuant to subsection (a) of section six hundred sixty of this article] that terminates its taxable status in New York, any income or gain recognized on the receipt of payments from an installment sale contract entered into when the S corporation was subject to tax in New York, allocated in a manner consistent with the applicable methods and rules for allocation under article nine-A or thirty-two of this chapter <u>prior to its repeal</u>, in the year that the S corporation sold its assets.
- § 13. The section heading and paragraph 2 of subsection (a) of section 632 of the tax law, the section heading as amended by chapter 606 of the laws of 1984, paragraph 2 of subsection (a) as amended by section 71 of part A of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014 and such section as renumbered by chapter 28 of the laws of 1987, are amended to read as follows:

Nonresident partners and [electing] shareholders of S corporations.

(2) In determining New York source income of a nonresident shareholder [an] a New York S corporation [where the election provided for in subsection (a) of section six hundred sixty of this article is in effect], there shall be included only the portion derived from or connected with New York sources of such shareholder's pro rata share of items of S corporation income, loss and deduction entering into his federal adjusted gross income, increased by reductions for taxes described in paragraphs two and three of subsection (f) of section thirteen hundred sixty-six of the internal revenue code, as such portion shall be determined under regulations of the commissioner consistent with the applicable methods and rules for allocation under article nine-A of this chapter, regardless of whether or not such item or reduction is included in entire net income under article nine-A for the tax year. If a nonresident is a shareholder in [an] a New York S corporation [where the election provided for in subsection (a) of section six hundred sixty of this article is in effect, and the S corporation] that has distributed an installment obligation under section 453(h)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, then any gain recognized on the receipt of

payments from the installment obligation for federal income tax purposes will be treated as New York source income allocated in a manner consistent with the applicable methods and rules for allocation under article nine-A of this chapter in the year that the assets were sold. In addition, if the shareholders of the New York S corporation have made an election under section 338(h)(10) of the Internal Revenue Code, then any 7 gain recognized on the deemed asset sale for federal income tax purposes will be treated as New York source income allocated in a manner consistent with the applicable methods and rules for allocation under article nine-A of this chapter in the year that the shareholder made the section 10 338(h)(10) election. For purposes of a section 338(h)(10) election, when 12 a nonresident shareholder exchanges his or her S corporation stock as 13 part of the deemed liquidation, any gain or loss recognized shall be treated as the disposition of an intangible asset and will not increase or offset any gain recognized on the deemed assets sale as a result of the section 338(h)(10) election. 16

- § 14. Subparagraph (A) and the opening paragraph of subparagraph (B) of paragraph 5 of subdivision (a) of section 292 of the tax law, as added by section 48 of part A of chapter 389 of the laws of 1997, are amended to read as follows:
 - (A) In the case of a shareholder of an S corporation,

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- (i) [where the election provided for in subsection (a) of section six hundred sixty of this chapter is in effect with respect to such corporation] that is a New York S corporation, there shall be added to federal unrelated business taxable income an amount equal to the shareholder's pro rata share of the corporation's reductions for taxes described in paragraphs two and three of subsection (f) of section thirteen hundred sixty-six of the internal revenue code, and
- (ii) [where such election has not been made with respect to such corporation, there shall be subtracted from federal unrelated business taxable income any items of income of the corporation included therein, and there shall be added to federal unrelated business taxable income any items of loss or deduction included therein, and
- (iii)] in the case of a New York S termination year, the amount of any such items of S corporation income, loss, deduction and reductions for taxes shall be adjusted in the manner provided in paragraph two or three of subsection (s) of section six hundred twelve of this chapter.

In the case of a shareholder of a corporation which was, for any of its taxable years beginning after nineteen hundred ninety-seven <u>and before two thousand eighteen</u>, a federal S corporation but a New York C corporation:

§ 15. Transition rules. Any prior net operating loss conversion subtraction pool and net operating loss carryforward that otherwise would have been allowed under subparagraph (viii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 210 of the tax law and subparagraph (ix) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 210 of the tax law, respectively, for the 2018 or subsequent taxable years, to any taxpayer that was a New York C corporation for the 2017 taxable year, and becomes a New York S corporation for the 2018 taxable year as a result of the amendments made by this act, shall be held in abeyance and be available to such taxpayer if its election to be a federal S corporation is terminated. Further, any credit carryforwards that otherwise would have been allowed to such a taxpayer under section 210-B of the tax law for the 2018 or subsequent taxable years shall be held in abeyance and be available to such taxpayer if its election to be a federal S corporation is terminated. However, the taxpayer's taxable years as a New York S corpo-

ration shall be counted for purposes of computing any time period applicable to the allowance of the prior net operating loss conversion subtraction, the net operating loss deduction or any credit carryforward.

§ 16. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

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Section 1. Clause 1 of subparagraph (A) of paragraph 1 of subsection (b) of section 631 of the tax law, as added by section 1 of part F-1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

(1) For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "real property located in this state" includes an interest in a partnership, limited liability corporation, S corporation, or non-publicly traded C corporation with one hundred or fewer shareholders (hereinafter the "entity") that owns real property that is located in New York [and has a fair market value that] or owns shares of stock in a cooperative housing corporation where the cooperative units relating to the shares are located in New York; provided, that the sum of the fair market values of such real property, cooperative shares, and related cooperative units equals or exceeds fifty percent of all the assets of the entity on the date of sale or exchange of the taxpayer's interest in the entity. Only those assets that the entity owned for at least two years before the date of the sale or exchange of the taxpayer's interest in the entity are to be used in determining the fair market value of all the assets of the entity on the date of sale or exchange. The gain or loss derived from New York sources from the taxpayer's sale or exchange of an interest in an entity that is subject to the provisions of this subparagraph is the total gain or loss for federal income tax purposes from that sale or exchange multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the fair market value of the real property, and the cooperative housing corporation stock and related cooperative units located in New York on the date of sale or exchange and the denominator of which is the fair market value of all the assets of the entity on the date of sale or exchange.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2017.

36 PART AA

Section 1. Paragraph 1 of subsection (a) of section 632 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 28 of the laws of 1987, is amended to read as follows:

(1) In determining New York source income of a nonresident partner of any partnership, there shall be included only the portion derived from or connected with New York sources of such partner's distributive share of items of partnership income, gain, loss and deduction entering into his federal adjusted gross income, as such portion shall be determined under regulations of the tax commission consistent with the applicable rules of section six hundred thirty-one of this part. If a nonresident is a partner in a partnership where a sale or transfer of the membership interest of the partner is subject to the provisions of section one-thousand sixty of the internal revenue code, then any gain recognized on the sale or transfer for federal income tax purposes shall be treated as New York source income allocated in a manner consistent with the appli-

- 1 cable methods and rules for allocation under this article in the year
 2 that the assets were sold or transferred.
- 3 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately

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5 Section 1. Section 1101 of the tax law is amended by adding a new 6 subdivision (e) to read as follows:

- (e) When used in this article for the purposes of the taxes imposed under subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred five of this article and by section eleven hundred ten of this article, the following terms shall mean:
- (1) Marketplace provider. A person who, pursuant to an agreement with a marketplace seller, facilitates sales of tangible personal property by such marketplace seller or sellers. A person "facilitates a sale of tangible personal property" for purposes of this paragraph when the person meets both of the following conditions: (i) such person provides the forum in which, or by means of which, the sale takes place or the offer of sale is accepted, including a shop, store, or booth, an internet website, catalog, or similar forum; and (ii) such person or an affiliate of such person collects the receipts paid by a customer to a marketplace seller for a sale of tangible personal property, or contracts with a third party to collect such receipts. For purposes of this paragraph, two persons are affiliated if one person has an ownership interest of more than five percent, whether direct or indirect, in the other, or where an ownership interest of more than five percent, whether direct or indirect, is held in each of such persons by another person or by a group of other persons that are affiliated persons with respect to each other. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph, a person who facilitates sales exclusively by means of the internet is not a marketplace provider for a sales tax quarter when such person can show that it has facilitated less than one hundred million dollars of sales annually for every calendar year after two thousand fifteen.
- (2) Marketplace seller. Any person, whether or not such person is required to obtain a certificate of authority under section eleven hundred thirty-four of this article, who has an agreement with a marketplace provider under which the marketplace provider will facilitate sales of tangible personal property by such person within the meaning of paragraph one of this subdivision.
 - § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 1131 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 576 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as follows:
- (1) "Persons required to collect tax" or "person required to collect any tax imposed by this article" shall include: every vendor of tangible personal property or services; every recipient of amusement charges; [and] every operator of a hotel, and every marketplace provider with respect to sales of tangible personal property it facilitates as described in paragraph one of subdivision (e) of section eleven hundred one of this article. Said terms shall also include any officer, director or employee of a corporation or of a dissolved corporation, any employee of a partnership, any employee or manager of a limited liability company, or any employee of an individual proprietorship who as such officer, director, employee or manager is under a duty to act for such corporation, partnership, limited liability company or individual proprietorship in complying with any requirement of this article; and any member of a partnership or limited liability company. Provided, however, that any person who is a vendor solely by reason of clause (D) or (E) of

subparagraph (i) of paragraph (8) of subdivision (b) of section eleven hundred one of this article shall not be a "person required to collect any tax imposed by this article" until twenty days after the date by which such person is required to file a certificate of registration pursuant to section eleven hundred thirty-four of this part.

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- § 3. Section 1132 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision (1) to read as follows:
- (1) (1) A marketplace provider, with respect to a sale of tangible personal property it facilitates: (i) shall have all the obligations and rights of a vendor under this article and article twenty-nine of this chapter and under any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, including, but not limited to, the duty to obtain a certificate of authority, to collect tax, file returns, remit tax, and the right to accept a certificate or other documentation from a customer substantiating an exemption or exclusion from tax, the right to receive the refund authorized by subdivision (e) of this section and the credit allowed by subdivision (f) of section eleven hundred thirty-seven of this part subject to the provisions of such subdivision; and (ii) shall keep such records and information and cooperate with the commissioner to ensure the proper collection and remittance of tax imposed collected or required to be collected under this article and article twenty-nine of this chapter.
- (2) A marketplace seller who is a vendor is relieved from the duty to collect tax in regard to a particular sale of tangible personal property subject to tax under subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred five of this article and shall not include the receipts from such sale in its taxable receipts for purposes of section eleven hundred thirty-six of this part if, in regard to such sale: (i) the marketplace seller can show that such sale was facilitated by a marketplace provider from whom such seller has received in good faith a properly completed certificate of collection in a form prescribed by the commissioner, certifying that the marketplace provider is registered to collect sales tax and will collect sales tax on all taxable sales of tangible personal property by the marketplace seller facilitated by the marketplace provider, and with such other information as the commissioner may prescribe; and (ii) any failure of the marketplace provider to collect the proper amount of tax in regard to such sale was not the result of such marketplace seller providing the marketplace provider with incorrect information. This provision shall be administered in a manner consistent with subparagraph (i) of paragraph one of subdivision (c) of this section as if a certificate of collection were a resale or exemption certificate for purposes of such subparagraph, including with regard to the completeness of such certificate of collection and the timing of its acceptance by the marketplace seller. Provided that, with regard to any sales of tangible personal property by a marketplace seller that are facilitated by a marketplace provider who is affiliated with such marketplace seller within the meaning of paragraph one of subdivision (e) of section eleven hundred one of this article, the marketplace seller shall be deemed liable as a person under a duty to act for such marketplace provider for purposes of subdivision one of section eleven hundred thirty-one of this part.
- (3) The commissioner may, in his or her discretion: (i) develop a standard provision, or approve a provision developed by a marketplace provider, in which the marketplace provider obligates itself to collect the tax on behalf of all the marketplace sellers for whom the marketplace provider facilitates sales of tangible personal property, with respect to all sales that it facilitates for such sellers where delivery

occurs in the state; and (ii) provide by regulation or otherwise that the inclusion of such provision in the publicly-available agreement between the marketplace provider and marketplace seller will have the same effect as a marketplace seller's acceptance of a certificate of collection from such marketplace provider under paragraph two of this subdivision.

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- § 4. Section 1133 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision (f) to read as follows:
- (f) A marketplace provider is relieved of liability under this section for failure to collect the correct amount of tax to the extent that the marketplace provider can show that the error was due to incorrect information given to the marketplace provider by the marketplace seller. Provided, however, this subdivision shall not apply if the marketplace seller and marketplace provider are affiliated within the meaning of paragraph one of subdivision (e) of section eleven hundred one of this article.
- § 5. Paragraph 4 of subdivision (a) of section 1136 of the tax law, as amended by section 46 of part K of chapter 61 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- (4) The return of a vendor of tangible personal property or services shall show such vendor's receipts from sales and the number of gallons of any motor fuel or diesel motor fuel sold and also the aggregate value of tangible personal property and services and number of gallons of such fuels sold by the vendor, the use of which is subject to tax under this article, and the amount of tax payable thereon pursuant to the provisions of section eleven hundred thirty-seven of this part. return of a recipient of amusement charges shall show all such charges and the amount of tax thereon, and the return of an operator required to collect tax on rents shall show all rents received or charged and the amount of tax thereon. The return of a marketplace seller shall exclude the receipts from a sale of tangible personal property facilitated by a marketplace provider if, in regard to such sale: (A) the marketplace seller has timely received in good faith a properly completed certificate of collection from the marketplace provider or the marketplace provider has included a provision approved by the commissioner in the publicly-available agreement between the marketplace provider and the marketplace seller as described in subdivision (1) of section eleven hundred thirty-two of this part, and (B) the information provided by the marketplace seller to the marketplace provider about such tangible personal property is accurate.
- 41 § 6. Section 1142 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivi-42 sion 15 to read as follows:
 - 15. To publish a list on the department's website of marketplace providers whose certificate of authority has been revoked and, if necessary to protect sales tax revenue, provide by regulation or otherwise that a marketplace seller who is a vendor will be relieved of the duty to collect tax for sales of tangible personal property facilitated by a marketplace provider only if, in addition to the conditions prescribed by paragraph two of subdivision (1) of section eleven hundred thirty-two of this part being met, such marketplace provider is not on such list at the commencement of the calendar year in which the sale was made.
- 52 § 7. This act shall take effect September 1, 2017, and shall apply to 53 sales made on or after that date.

54 PART CC

Section 1. Paragraph 4 of subdivision (b) of section 1101 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subparagraph (v) to read as follows:

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- (v) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, the following sales of tangible personal property shall be deemed to be retail sales: (A) a sale to a single member limited liability company or a subsidiary for resale to its member or owner, where such single member limited liability company or subsidiary is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner for federal income tax purposes (without reference to any special rules related to the imposition of certain federal taxes), including but not limited to certain employment and excise taxes; (B) a sale to a partnership for resale to one or more of its partners; or (C) a sale to a trustee of a trust for resale to one or more beneficiaries of such trust.
- § 2. Subdivision 2 of section 1118 of the tax law, as amended by section 4 of subpart B of part S of chapter 57 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- (2) (a) In respect to the use of property or services purchased by the user while a nonresident of this state, except in the case of tangible personal property or services which the user, in the performance of a contract, incorporates into real property located in the state. A person while engaged in any manner in carrying on in this state any employment, trade, business or profession, shall not be deemed a nonresident with respect to the use in this state of property or services in such employment, trade, business or profession. This exemption does not apply to the use of qualified property where the qualified property is purchased primarily to carry individuals, whether or not for hire, who are agents, employees, officers, shareholders, members, managers, partners, or directors of (A) the purchaser, where any of those individuals was a resident of this state when the qualified property was purchased or (B) any affiliated person that was a resident when the qualified property was purchased. For purposes of this subdivision: (i) persons are affiliated persons with respect to each other where one of the persons has an ownership interest of more than five percent, whether direct or indirect, in the other, or where an ownership interest of more than five percent, whether direct or indirect, is held in each of the persons by another person or by a group of other persons that are affiliated persons with respect to each other; (ii) "qualified property" means [aircraft,] vessels and motor vehicles; and (iii) "carry" means to take any person from one point to another, whether for the business purposes or pleasure of that person. For an exception to the exclusions from the definition of "retail sale" applicable to [aircraft and] vessels, see subdivision (q) of section eleven hundred eleven of this article.
- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of this article to the contrary, the exclusion in paragraph (a) of this subdivision shall not apply to the use within the state of property or a service purchased outside this state by a nonresident that is not an individual, unless such nonresident has been doing business outside the state for at least six months prior to the date such nonresident brought such property or service into this state.
- 50 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

51 PART DD

52 Section 1. Section 1105-C of the tax law, as added by section 24-a of 53 part Y of chapter 63 of the laws of 2000, and subdivision (d) as added



by section 1 of part B of chapter 85 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:

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- § 1105-C. Reduced tax rates with respect to certain gas service and electric service. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article or article twenty-nine of this chapter:
- (a) The rates of taxes imposed by this article and pursuant to the authority of article twenty-nine of this chapter on receipts from every sale of gas service or electric service of whatever nature (including the transportation, transmission or distribution of gas or electricity, but not including gas or electricity) shall be [reduced each year on September first, beginning in the year two thousand, and each year thereafter, at the rate per year of twenty-five percent of the rates in effect on September first, two thousand, so that the rates of such taxes on such receipts shall be] zero percent [on and after September first, two thousand three] unless the charge is by the vendor for transportation, transmission or distribution, regardless of whether such charges are separately stated in the written contract, if any, or on the bill rendered to such purchaser and regardless of whether such transportation, transmission, or distribution is provided by such vendor or a third party.
- (b) [The provisions of subdivision (b) of section eleven hundred six of this article shall apply to the reduced rates described in subdivision (a) of this section, as if such section referred to this section, provided that any reference in subdivision (b) of such section eleven hundred six to the date August first, nineteen hundred sixty-five, shall be deemed to refer, respectively, to September first of the applicable years described in subdivision (a) of this section, and any reference in subdivision (b) of such section eleven hundred six to July thirty-first, nineteen hundred sixty-five, shall be deemed to refer to the day immediately preceding each such September first, respectively.
- (c) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to exempt from the taxes imposed under this article or pursuant to the authority of article twenty-nine of this chapter any transaction which may not be subject to the reduced rates of such taxes, each year, as set forth in subdivision (a) of this section in effect on the respective September first.
- (d)] For [the purpose] purposes of [the reduced rate of tax provided subdivision (a) of this section, [the following shall apply to a sale, other than a sale for resale, of the] where the transportation, transmission or distribution of gas or electricity [by a vendor not subject to the supervision of the public service commission where such transportation, transmission or distribution service being] is sold [is] wholly within a service area of the state wherein the public service commission [shall have] has approved by formal order a single retailer model for the regulated utility which has the responsibility to serve that area[. Where such a vendor makes a sale, other than a sale for resale, of gas or electricity to be delivered to a customer within such service area and, for the purpose of transporting, transmitting or distributing such gas or electricity, also makes a sale of transportation, transmission or distribution service to such customer], the charge for [the] <u>such</u> transportation, transmission or distribution [of gas electricity wholly within such service area made by such vendor, notwithstanding paragraph three of subdivision (b) of section eleven hundred one of this article, shall not be included in the receipt for such gas or electricity, and, therefore,] when made by the provider who also sells, other than as a sale for resale, the gas or electricity, shall qualify for such reduced rate.

1 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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- 3 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 186-f of the tax law is amended by 4 adding three new paragraphs (f), (g) and (h) to read as follows:
 - (f) "Prepaid wireless communications seller" means a person making a retail sale of prepaid wireless communications service or a prepaid wireless communications device.
 - (g) "Prepaid wireless communications device" means any equipment used to access a prepaid wireless communications service.
 - (h) "Prepaid wireless communications service" means a prepaid mobile calling service as defined in paragraph twenty-two of subdivision (b) of section eleven hundred one of this chapter.
 - § 2. Subdivision 2 of section 186-f of the tax law, as added by section 3 of part B of chapter 56 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:
 - 2. Public safety communications surcharge. (a) (1) A surcharge on wireless communications service provided to a wireless communications customer with a place of primary use in this state is imposed at the rate of one dollar and twenty cents per month on each wireless communications device in service during any part of each month. The surcharge must be reflected and made payable on bills rendered to the wireless communications customer for wireless communication service.
 - [(b)] (2) Each wireless communications service supplier providing wireless communications service in New York state must act as a collection agent for the state for the collection of the surcharge. The wireless communications service supplier has no legal obligation to enforce the collection of the surcharge from its customers. However, each wireless communications service supplier must collect and retain the name and address of any wireless communications customer with a place of primary use in this state that refuses or fails to pay the surcharge, as well as the cumulative amount of the surcharge remaining unpaid, and must provide this information to the commissioner at the time and according to the procedures the commissioner may provide. The surcharge must be reported and paid to the commissioner on a quarterly basis on or before the fifteenth day of the month following each quarterly period ending on the last day of February, May, August and November, respectively. The payments must be accompanied by a return in the form and containing the information the commissioner may prescribe.
 - [(c)] (3) The surcharge must be added as a separate line item to bills furnished by a wireless communications service supplier to its customers, and must be identified as the "public safety communications surcharge". Each wireless communications customer who is subject to the provisions of this section remains liable to the state for the surcharge due under this section until it has been paid to the state, except that payment to a wireless communications service supplier is sufficient to relieve the customer from further liability for the surcharge.
 - [(d) Each wireless communications service supplier is entitled to retain, as an administrative fee, an amount equal to two percent of fifty-eight and three-tenths percent of the total collections of the surcharge imposed by this section, provided that the supplier files any required return and remits the surcharge due to the commissioner on or before its due date.]
- 53 (b) (1) A surcharge is imposed on the retail sale of each prepaid wire-54 less communications service or device at the rate of: (i) sixty cents

1 per retail sale that does not exceed thirty dollars; and (ii) one dollar
2 and twenty cents per retail sale that exceeds thirty dollars.

- (2) For purposes of this paragraph, a sale of a prepaid wireless communications service or device occurs in this state if the sale takes place at a seller's business location in the state. If the sale does not take place at the seller's place of business, it shall be conclusively determined to take place at the purchaser's shipping address or, if there is no item shipped, at the purchaser's billing address, or, if the seller does not have that address, at such address as approved by the commissioner that reasonably reflects the customer's location at the time of the sale of the prepaid wireless communications service or device.
- (3) Each prepaid wireless communications seller in New York state must act as a collection agent for the state for the collection of the surcharge. The surcharge must be reported and paid to the commissioner on a quarterly basis on or before the fifteenth day of the month following each quarterly period ending on the last day of February, May, August and November, respectively. The payments must be accompanied by a return in the form and containing the information the commissioner may prescribe.
- (4) The surcharge must be added as a separate line item to a sales slip, invoice, receipt, or other statement of the price, if any, that is furnished by a prepaid wireless communications seller to a purchaser, and must be identified as the "public safety communications surcharge." Each purchaser of a prepaid wireless communications service or device in this state remains liable to the state for the surcharge due under this section until it has been paid to the state, except that payment to a prepaid wireless communications seller is sufficient to relieve the purchaser from further liability for such surcharge.
- \S 3. The county law is amended by adding a new section 309 to read as 31 follows:
- § 309. Establishment of prepaid wireless surcharge for system costs.

 1. Definitions. When used in this article, where not otherwise specifically defined and unless the specific context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 36 (a) "Prepaid wireless communications seller" means a person making a
 37 retail sale of prepaid wireless communications service or a prepaid
 38 wireless communications device.
 - (b) "Prepaid wireless communications device" means any equipment used to access a prepaid wireless communications service.
 - (c) "Prepaid wireless communications service" means a prepaid mobile calling service as defined in paragraph twenty-two of subdivision (b) of section eleven hundred one of the tax law.
 - 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, any municipality, as defined in section three hundred one of this article, that is authorized to impose an enhanced emergency telephone system surcharge on wireless communications service under this article, is hereby authorized and empowered to adopt, amend or repeal local laws, acting through its board, to impose a surcharge on the retail sale of each prepaid wireless communications service or device, in an amount not to exceed thirty cents per retail sale within such municipality. The proceeds from such surcharge shall be used to pay for the costs associated with obtaining, operating and maintaining the telecommunication equipment and telephone services needed to provide an enhanced 911 emergency telephone system to serve such municipality.

- 3. For purposes of this section, a sale of a prepaid wireless communications service or device occurs in a municipality if the sale takes place at a seller's business location in the municipality. If the sale does not take place at the seller's place of business, it shall be conclusively determined to take place at the purchaser's shipping address in the municipality or, if there is no item shipped, at the purchaser's billing address in the municipality, or, if the seller does not have that address, at such address that reasonably reflects the customer's location at the time of the sale of the prepaid wireless communications service or device.
- 4. Any such local law shall state the amount of the surcharge and the date on which sellers in the municipality shall begin to collect such surcharge. Any seller of a prepaid wireless communications service or device within a municipality that has imposed a surcharge pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be given a minimum of forty-five days written notice prior to the date it shall be required to begin to collect such surcharge or prior to any modification to or change in the surcharge amount.
- 5. (a) Each prepaid wireless communications seller in a municipality shall act as collection agent for such municipality and shall remit the funds collected pursuant to a surcharge imposed under the provisions of this section to the chief fiscal officer of the municipality every month. Such funds shall be remitted no later than thirty days after the last business day of the month.
- (b) The seller shall be entitled to retain, as an administrative fee, an amount equal to two percent of its collections of the surcharge imposed under this article.
- (c) The surcharge shall be added to and stated separately on a sales slip, invoice, receipt, or other statement of the price, if any, that is provided to the purchaser.
- (d) The seller shall provide to the municipality an accounting of the surcharge amounts collected no more frequently than annually upon written request from the municipality's chief fiscal officer.
- (e) Each purchaser of a prepaid wireless communications service or device in a municipality that has imposed such surcharge shall be liable to the municipality for the surcharge until it has been paid to the municipality, except that payment to a prepaid wireless communications seller is sufficient to relieve the purchaser from further liability for such surcharge.
- 6. All surcharge monies remitted to a municipality by a prepaid wireless communications seller shall be expended only upon authorization of
 the legislative body of a municipality and only for payment of eligible
 wireless 911 service costs as defined in subdivision sixteen of section
 three hundred twenty-five of this chapter. The municipality shall separately account for and keep adequate books and records of the amount and
 source of all such monies and of the amount and object or purpose of all
 expenditures thereof. If, at the end of any fiscal year, the total
 amount of all such monies exceeds the amount necessary for payment of
 the above mentioned costs in such fiscal year, such excess shall be
 reserved and carried over for the payment of those costs in the following fiscal year.
- 52 § 4. This act shall take effect December 1, 2017.

- Section 1. Subdivision 8 of section 1399-n of the public health law, 2 as amended by chapter 13 of the laws of 2003, is amended and a new 3 subdivision 9 is added to read as follows:
 - 8. "Smoking" means the burning of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other matter or substance which contains tobacco, the burning of an herbal cigarette, or the use of a vapor product.

- 9. "Vapor product" means any noncombustible liquid or gel, regardless of the presence of nicotine therein, that is manufactured into a finished product for use in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, vaping pen, hookah pen or other similar device. "Vapor product" shall not include any product approved by the United States food and drug administration as a drug or medical device, or approved for use pursuant to section three thousand three hundred sixty-two of this chapter.
- § 2. The article heading of article 13-F of the public health law, as amended by chapter 448 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

REGULATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS, HERBAL CIGARETTES AND [SMOKING PARAPHERNALIA] <u>VAPOR PRODUCTS</u>; DISTRIBUTION TO MINORS

- § 3. Subdivisions 5, 8, and 13 of section 1399-aa of the public health law, subdivision 5 as amended by chapter 152 of the laws of 2004, subdivision 8 as added by chapter 13 of the laws of 2003, and subdivision 13 as amended by chapter 542 of the laws of 2014, are amended to read as follows:
- 5. "Tobacco products" means one or more cigarettes or cigars, bidis, chewing tobacco, powdered tobacco, <u>shisha</u>, nicotine water or any other <u>product containing or derived from tobacco [products]</u>.
- 8. "Tobacco business" means a sole proprietorship, corporation, limited liability company, partnership or other enterprise in which the primary activity is the sale, manufacture or promotion of tobacco, tobacco products, vapor products, and accessories, either at wholesale or retail, and in which the sale, manufacture or promotion of other products is merely incidental.
- 13. ["Electronic cigarette" or "e-cigarette" means an electronic device that delivers vapor which is inhaled by an individual user, and shall include any refill, cartridge and any other component of such a device.] "Vapor product" means any noncombustible liquid or gel, regardless of the presence of nicotine therein, that is manufactured into a finished product for use in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, vaping pen, hookah pen or other similar device. "Vapor product" shall not include any product approved by the United States food and drug administration as a drug or medical device, or approved for use pursuant to section three thousand three hundred sixty-two of this chapter.
- § 4. Section 1399-bb of the public health law, as amended by chapter 508 of the laws of 2000, subdivision 2 as amended by chapter 13 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:
- § 1399-bb. Distribution of tobacco products [or], herbal cigarettes, or vapor products without charge. 1. No person engaged in the business of selling or otherwise distributing tobacco products [or], herbal cigarettes, or vapor products for commercial purposes, or any agent or employee of such person, shall knowingly, in furtherance of such business:
- 54 (a) distribute without charge any tobacco products [or], herbal ciga-55 rettes, or vapor products to any individual, provided that the distrib-56 ution of a package containing tobacco products [or], herbal cigarettes,



1 or vapor products in violation of this subdivision shall constitute a single violation without regard to the number of items in the package;

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- (b) distribute coupons which are redeemable for tobacco products [or]_ herbal cigarettes, or vapor products to any individual, provided that this subdivision shall not apply to coupons contained in newspapers, magazines or other types of publications, coupons obtained through the purchase of tobacco products [or], herbal cigarettes, or vapor products or obtained at locations which sell tobacco products [or], herbal cigarettes, or vapor products provided that such distribution is confined to a designated area or to coupons sent through the mail.
- 2. The prohibitions contained in subdivision one of this section shall not apply to the following locations:
- (a) private social functions when seating arrangements are under the control of the sponsor of the function and not the owner, operator, manager or person in charge of such indoor area;
- (b) conventions and trade shows; provided that the distribution is confined to designated areas generally accessible only to persons over the age of eighteen;
- (c) events sponsored by tobacco [or], herbal cigarette, or vapor product manufacturers provided that the distribution is confined to designated areas generally accessible only to persons over the age of eighteen;
- (d) bars as defined in subdivision one of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-n of this chapter;
- (e) tobacco businesses as defined in subdivision eight of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-aa of this article;
- (f) factories as defined in subdivision nine of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-aa of this article and construction sites; provided that the distribution is confined to designated areas generally accessible only to persons over the age of eighteen.
- 3. No person shall distribute tobacco products [or], cigarettes, or vapor products at the locations set forth in paragraphs (b), (c) and (f) of subdivision two of this section unless such person gives five days written notice to the enforcement officer.
- 4. The distribution of tobacco products [or], herbal cigarettes, or vapor products pursuant to subdivision two of this section shall be made only to an individual who demonstrates, through $\underline{\text{(a)}}$ a driver's license or [other photographic] non-driver's identification card issued by [a government entity or educational institution] the commissioner of motor vehicles, the federal government, any United States territory, commonwealth or possession, the District of Columbia, a state government within the United States or a provincial government of the dominion of Canada, or (b) a valid passport issued by the United States government or any other country, or (c) an identification card issued by the armed forces of the United States, indicating that the individual is at least eighteen years of age. Such identification need not be required of any individual who reasonably appears to be at least twenty-five years of age; provided, however, that such appearance shall not constitute a defense in any proceeding alleging the sale of a tobacco product [or]_ herbal cigarette, or vapor products to an individual.
- § 5. The section heading of section 1399-cc of the public health law, as amended by chapter 542 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as 53 54 follows:

Sale of tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha, rolling papers] <u>vapor products</u> or smoking paraphernalia to minors prohibited.

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- § 6. Subdivisions 2, 3, 4, and 7 of section 1399-cc of the public health law, as amended by chapter 542 of the laws of 2014 are amended to read as follows:
- 2. Any person operating a place of business wherein tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha] or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products, are sold or offered for sale is prohibited from selling such products, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha, electronic cigarettes] vapor products or smoking paraphernalia to individuals under eighteen years of age, and shall post in a conspicuous place a sign upon which there shall be imprinted the following statement, "SALE OF CIGARETTES, CIGARS, [CHEWING TOBACCO, POWDERED TOBACCO,] SHISHA OR OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS, HERBAL CIGARETTES, [LIQUID NICOTINE, ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES] VAPOR PRODUCTS, [ROLLING PAPERS] OR SMOKING PARAPHERNALIA, TO PERSONS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE IS PROHIBITED BY LAW." Such sign shall be printed on a white card in red letters at least one-half inch in height.
- 3. Sale of tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha] or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products in such places, other than by a vending machine, shall be made only to an individual who demonstrates, through (a) a valid driver's license or non-driver's identification card issued by the commissioner of motor vehicles, the federal government, any United States territory, commonwealth or possession, the District of Columbia, a state government within the United States or a provincial government of the dominion of Canada, or (b) a valid passport issued by the United States government or any other country, or (c) an identification card issued by the armed forces of the United States, indicating that the individual is at least eighteen years of age. Such identification need not be required of any individual who reasonably appears to be at least twenty-five years of age, provided, however, that such appearance shall not constitute a defense in any proceeding alleging the sale of a tobacco product, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha] or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products to an individual under eighteen years of age.
- 4. (a) Any person operating a place of business wherein tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha] or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products are sold or offered for sale may perform a transaction scan as a precondition for such purchases.
- (b) In any instance where the information deciphered by the transaction scan fails to match the information printed on the driver's license or non-driver identification card, or if the transaction scan indicates that the information is false or fraudulent, the attempted transaction shall be denied.
- (c) In any proceeding pursuant to section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-ee of this article, it shall be an affirmative defense that such person had produced a driver's license or non-driver identification card apparently issued by a governmental entity, successfully completed that transaction scan, and that the tobacco product, herbal cigarettes [or liquid nicotine], or vapor products had been sold, delivered or given to such person in reasonable reliance upon such identification and transaction scan. In evaluating the applicability of such affirmative defense the commissioner shall take into consideration any written policy adopted and implemented by the seller to effectuate the provisions of this chapter. Use of a transaction scan shall not excuse any person

operating a place of business wherein tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha] or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products are sold, or the agent or employee of such person, from the exercise of reasonable diligence otherwise required by this chapter. Notwithstanding the above provisions, any such affirmative defense shall not be applicable in any civil or criminal proceeding, or in any other forum.

- 7. No person operating a place of business wherein tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha] or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products are sold or offered for sale shall sell, permit to be sold, offer for sale or display for sale any tobacco product, herbal cigarettes, [liquid nicotine, shisha] or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products in any manner, unless such products and cigarettes are stored for sale (a) behind a counter in an area accessible only to the personnel of such business, or (b) in a locked container[; provided, however, such restriction shall not apply to tobacco businesses, as defined in subdivision eight of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-aa of this article, and to places to which admission is restricted to persons eighteen years of age or older].
- § 7. Section 1399-dd of the public health law, as amended by chapter 448 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:
- § 1399-dd. Sale of tobacco products, herbal cigarettes or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products in vending machines. No person, firm, partnership, company or corporation shall operate a vending machine which dispenses tobacco products, herbal cigarettes or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products unless such machine is located: (a) in a bar as defined in subdivision one of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-n of this chapter, or the bar area of a food service establishment with a valid, on-premises full liquor license; (b) in a private club; (c) in a tobacco business as defined in subdivision eight of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-aa of this article; or (d) in a place of employment which has an insignificant portion of its regular workforce comprised of people under the age of eighteen years and only in such locations that are not accessible to the general public; provided, however, that in such locations the vending machine is located in plain view and under the direct supervision and control of the person in charge of the location or his or her designated agent or employee.
- § 8. Subdivision 2 of section 1399-ee of the public health law, as amended by chapter 162 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. If the enforcement officer determines after a hearing that a violation of this article has occurred, he or she shall impose a civil penalty of a minimum of three hundred dollars, but not to exceed one thousand dollars for a first violation, and a minimum of five hundred dollars, but not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars for each subsequent violation, unless a different penalty is otherwise provided in this article. The enforcement officer shall advise the retail dealer that upon the accumulation of three or more points pursuant to this section the department of taxation and finance shall suspend the dealer's registration. If the enforcement officer determines after a hearing that a retail dealer was selling tobacco products or vapor products while their registration was suspended or permanently revoked pursuant to subdivision three or four of this section, he or she shall impose a civil penalty of twenty-five hundred dollars.

Section 8-a. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 1399-ee of the public health law, as amended by chapter 162 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) Imposition of points. If the enforcement officer determines, after a hearing, that the retail dealer violated subdivision [one] \underline{two} of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-cc of this article with respect to a prohibited sale to a minor, he or she shall, in addition to imposing any other penalty required or permitted pursuant to this section, assign two points to the retail dealer's record where the individual who committed the violation did not hold a certificate of completion from a state certified tobacco sales training program and one point where the retail dealer demonstrates that the person who committed the violation held a certificate of completion from a state certified tobacco sales training program.
- § 9. Subdivision 1 of section 1399-ff of the public health law, as amended by chapter 448 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:
- 1. Where a civil penalty for a particular incident has not been imposed or an enforcement action regarding an alleged violation for a particular incident is not pending under section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-ee of this article, a parent or guardian of a minor to whom tobacco products, herbal cigarettes or [electronic cigarettes] vapor products are sold or distributed in violation of this article may submit a complaint to an enforcement officer setting forth the name and address of the alleged violator, the date of the alleged violation, the name and address of the complainant and the minor, and a brief statement describing the alleged violation. The enforcement officer shall notify the alleged violator by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, that a complaint has been submitted, and shall set a date, at least fifteen days after the mailing of such notice, for a hearing on the complaint. Such notice shall contain the information submitted by the complainant.
- § 10. Section 1399-hh of the public health law, as added by chapter 433 of the laws of 1997, is amended to read as follows:
- § 1399-hh. Tobacco <u>and vapor products</u> enforcement. The commissioner shall develop, plan and implement a comprehensive program to reduce the prevalence of tobacco <u>and vapor products</u> use, particularly among persons less than eighteen years of age. This program shall include, but not be limited to, support for enforcement of article thirteen-F of this chapter.
- 1. An enforcement officer, as defined in section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-t of this chapter, may annually, on such dates as shall be fixed by the commissioner, submit an application for such monies as are made available for such purpose. Such application shall be in such form as prescribed by the commissioner and shall include, but not be limited to, plans regarding random spot checks, including the number and types of compliance checks that will be conducted, and other activities to determine compliance with this article. Each such plan shall include an agreement to report to the commissioner: the names and addresses of tobacco retailers and vendors determined to be unlicensed, if any; the number of complaints filed against licensed tobacco retail outlets; and the names of tobacco retailers and vendors who have paid fines, or have been otherwise penalized, due to enforcement actions.
- 54 2. The commissioner shall distribute such monies as are made available 55 for such purpose to enforcement officers and, in so doing, consider the 56 number of retail locations registered to sell tobacco products within

the jurisdiction of the enforcement officer and the level of proposed activities.

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- 3. Monies made available to enforcement officers pursuant to this section shall only be used for local tobacco, herbal cigarette and vapor products enforcement activities approved by the commissioner.
- § 11. The public health law is amended by adding a new section 1399-mm-1 to read as follows:
- § 1399-mm-1. Vapor products; child-resistant containers required. No person engaged in the business of manufacturing, selling or otherwise distributing vapor products, may sell any component of such systems that contains nicotine, including any refill, cartridge, or other component, unless such component constitutes "special packaging" for the protection of children, as defined in 15 U.S.C. 1471 or any superseding statute.
- § 12. Subdivision 2 of section 409 of the education law, as amended by chapter 449 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, rule or regulation, tobacco, herbal cigarette, and vapor products use shall not be permitted and no person shall use [tobacco] such products on school grounds. "School grounds" means any building, structure and surrounding outdoor grounds, including entrances or exits, contained within a public or private pre-school, nursery school, elementary or secondary school's legally defined property boundaries as registered in a county clerk's office.
- § 13. Section 3624 of the education law, as amended by chapter 529 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:
- § 3624. Drivers, monitors and attendants. The commissioner shall determine and define the qualifications of drivers, monitors and attendants and shall make the rules and regulations governing the operation of all transportation facilities used by pupils which rules and regulations shall include, but not be limited to, a maximum speed of fifty-five miles per hour for school vehicles engaged in pupil transportation that are operated on roads, interstates or other highways, parkways or bridges or portions thereof that have posted speed limits in excess of fifty-five miles per hour, prohibitions relating to smoking and use of vapor products, eating and drinking and any and all other acts or conduct which would otherwise impair the safe operation of such transportation facilities while actually being used for the transport of pupils. The employment of each driver, monitor and attendant shall be approved by the chief school administrator of a school district for each school bus operated within his or her district. For the purpose of determining his or her physical fitness, each driver, monitor and attendant may be examined on order of the chief school administrator by a duly licensed physician within two weeks prior to the beginning of service in each school year as a school bus driver, monitor or attendant. The report of the physician, in writing, shall be considered by the chief school administrator in determining the fitness of the driver to operate or continue to operate any transportation facilities used by pupils and in determining the fitness of any monitor or attendant to carry out his or her functions on such transportation facilities. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a school district from imposing a more restrictive speed limit policy for the operation of school vehicles engaged in pupil transportation than the speed limit policy established by the commissioner.
- § 14. Subdivision 2 of section 470 of the tax law, as amended by section 15 of part D of chapter 134 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:



- 1 2. "Tobacco products." Any cigar, including a little cigar, a vapor
 2 product, or tobacco, other than cigarettes, intended for consumption by
 3 smoking, chewing, inhaling vapors, or as snuff.
 - § 15. Subdivision 12 of section 470 of the tax law, as added by chapter 61 of the laws of 1989, is amended to read as follows:

- 12. "Distributor." Any person who imports or causes to be imported into this state any tobacco product (in excess of fifty cigars [or], one pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product) for sale, or who manufactures any tobacco product in this state, and any person within or without the state who is authorized by the commissioner of taxation and finance to make returns and pay the tax on tobacco products sold, shipped or delivered by him to any person in the state.
- § 16. Section 470 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subdivision 20 to read as follows:
- 20. "Vapor product." Any noncombustible liquid or gel, regardless of the presence of nicotine therein, that is manufactured into a finished product for use in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, vaping pen, hookah pen or other similar device. "Vapor product" shall not include any product approved by the United States food and drug administration as a drug or medical device, or approved for use pursuant to section three thousand three hundred sixty-two of the public health law.
- § 17. Subdivision (a) of subdivision 1 of section 471-b of the tax law, as amended by section 18 of part D of chapter 134 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
 - (a) Such tax on tobacco products other than snuff, [and] little cigars, and vapor products shall be at the rate of seventy-five percent of the wholesale price, and is intended to be imposed only once upon the sale of any tobacco products other than snuff [and], little cigars, and vapor products.
- 31 § 18. Subdivision 1 of section 471-b of the tax law is amended by 32 adding a new subdivision (d) to read as follows:
 - (d) Such tax on vapor products shall be at a rate of ten cents per fluid milliliter, or part thereof, of the vapor product. All invoices for vapor products issued by distributors and wholesalers must state the amount of vapor product in milliliters.
 - § 19. The opening paragraph of subdivision (a) of section 471-c of the tax law, as amended by section 2 of part I1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:
 - There is hereby imposed and shall be paid a tax on all tobacco products used in the state by any person, except that no such tax shall be imposed (1) if the tax provided in section four hundred seventy-one-b of this article is paid, or (2) on the use of tobacco products which are exempt from the tax imposed by said section, or (3) on the use of two hundred fifty cigars or less, or five pounds or less of tobacco other than roll-your-own tobacco, or thirty-six ounces or less of roll-your-own tobacco, or five hundred milliliters or less of vapor product brought into the state on, or in the possession of, any person.
 - § 20. Paragraph (i) of subdivision (a) of section 471-c of the tax law, as amended by section 20 of part D of chapter 134 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- 52 (i) Such tax on tobacco products other than snuff [and]_ little cigars
 53 and vapor products shall be at the rate of seventy-five percent of the
 54 wholesale price.
- 55 § 21. Subdivision (a) of section 471-c of the tax law is amended by 56 adding a new paragraph (iv) to read as follows:



(iv) Such tax on vapor products shall be at a rate of ten cents per fluid milliliter, or part thereof, of the vapor product. All invoices for vapor products issued by distributors and wholesalers must state the amount of vapor product in milliliters.

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- § 22. Subdivision 2 of section 474 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 552 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. Every person who shall possess or transport more than two hundred fifty cigars, or more than five pounds of tobacco other than roll-yourown tobacco, or more than thirty-six ounces of roll-your-own tobacco, or more than five hundred milliliters of vapor product upon the public highways, roads or streets of the state, shall be required to have in his actual possession invoices or delivery tickets for such tobacco products. Such invoices or delivery tickets shall show the name and address of the consignor or seller, the name and address of the consignee or purchaser, the quantity and brands of the tobacco products transported, and the name and address of the person who has or shall assume the payment of the tax and the wholesale price or the tax paid or payable. The absence of such invoices or delivery tickets shall be prima facie evidence that such person is a dealer in tobacco products in this state and subject to the requirements of this article.
- § 23. Subdivision 3 of section 474 of the tax law, as added by chapter 61 of the laws of 1989, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. Every dealer or distributor or employee thereof, or other person acting on behalf of a dealer or distributor, who shall possess or transport more than fifty cigars or more than one pound of tobacco, or more than one hundred milliliters of vapor product upon the public highways, roads or streets of the state, shall be required to have in his actual possession invoices or delivery tickets for such tobacco products. Such invoices or delivery tickets shall show the name and address of the consignor or seller, the name and address of the consignee or purchaser, the quantity and brands of the tobacco products transported, and the name and address of the person who has or shall assume the payment of the tax and the wholesale price or the tax paid or payable. The absence of such invoices or delivery tickets shall be prima facie evidence that the tax imposed by this article on tobacco products has not been paid and is due and owing.
- § 24. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 481 of the tax law, as amended by section 1 of part O of chapter 59 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- (i) In addition to any other penalty imposed by this article, the commissioner may (A) impose a penalty of not more than six hundred dollars for each two hundred cigarettes, or fraction thereof, in excess of one thousand cigarettes in unstamped or unlawfully stamped packages in the possession or under the control of any person or (B) impose a penalty of not more than two hundred dollars for each ten unaffixed false, altered or counterfeit cigarette tax stamps, impressions, or fraction thereof, in the possession or under the control of any person. In addition, the commissioner may impose a penalty of not more than seventy-five dollars for each fifty cigars [or], one pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product, or fraction thereof, in excess of two hundred fifty cigars [or], five pounds of tobacco or five hundred milliliters of vapor product in the possession or under the control of any person and a penalty of not more than one hundred fifty dollars for each fifty cigars [or], pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product, or fraction thereof, in excess of 56 five hundred cigars [or], ten pounds of tobacco, or one thousand milli-

<u>liters of vapor product</u> in the possession or under the control of any person, with respect to which the tobacco products tax has not been paid or assumed by a distributor or tobacco products dealer; provided, however, that any such penalty imposed shall not exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars in the aggregate. The commissioner may impose a penalty of not more than seventy-five dollars for each fifty cigars [or], one 7 pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product, or fraction thereof, in excess of fifty cigars [or], one pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product in the possession or under the control of any tobacco products dealer or distributor appointed by the 10 11 commissioner, and a penalty of not more than one hundred fifty dollars for each fifty cigars [or], pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters 12 13 of vapor product, or fraction thereof, in excess of two hundred fifty cigars [or], five pounds of tobacco, or five hundred milliliters of vapor product, in the possession or under the control of any such dealer 16 or distributor, with respect to which the tobacco products tax has not 17 been paid or assumed by a distributor or a tobacco products dealer; provided, however, that any such penalty imposed shall not exceed 18 19 fifteen thousand dollars in the aggregate.

§ 25. Clauses (B) and (C) of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 481 of the tax law, as added by chapter 262 of the laws of 2000, is amended to read as follows:

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(II) not less than fifty dollars but not more than two hundred dollars for each fifty cigars [or], pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product, or fraction thereof, in excess of five hundred cigars [or], ten pounds of tobacco, or one thousand milliliters of vapor product knowingly in the possession or knowingly under the control of any person, with respect to which the tobacco products tax has not been paid or assumed by a distributor or tobacco products dealer; provided, however, that any such penalty imposed under this clause shall not exceed ten thousand dollars in the aggregate.

(C) (I) not less than twenty-five dollars but not more than one hundred dollars for each fifty cigars [or], one pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product, or fraction thereof, in excess of fifty cigars [or], one pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product knowingly in the possession or knowingly under the control of any person, with respect to which the tobacco products tax has not been paid or assumed by a distributor or tobacco products dealer; and

(II) not less than fifty dollars but not more than two hundred dollars for each fifty cigars [or], pound of tobacco, or one hundred milliliters of vapor product, or fraction thereof, in excess of two hundred fifty cigars [or], five pounds of tobacco, or five hundred milliliters of vapor product knowingly in the possession or knowingly under the control of any person, with respect to which the tobacco products tax has not been paid or assumed by a distributor or a tobacco products dealer; provided, however, that any such penalty imposed under this clause shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars in the aggregate.

§ 26. Subdivisions (a) and (h) of section 1814 of the tax law, as amended by section 28 of subpart I of part V1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, are amended to read as follows:

- (a) Any person who willfully attempts in any manner to evade or defeat the taxes imposed by article twenty of this chapter or payment thereof on (i) ten thousand cigarettes or more, (ii) twenty-two thousand cigars or more, [or] (iii) four hundred forty pounds of tobacco or more, or (iv) forty-four thousand milliliters of vapor product or more or has previously been convicted two or more times of a violation of paragraph [one] (i) of this subdivision shall be guilty of a class E felony.
- (h) (1) Any dealer, other than a distributor appointed by the commissioner of taxation and finance under article twenty of this chapter, who shall knowingly transport or have in his custody, possession or under his control more than ten pounds of tobacco, or more than five hundred cigars, or more than one thousand milliliters of vapor product upon which the taxes imposed by article twenty of this chapter have not been assumed or paid by a distributor appointed by the commissioner of taxation and finance under article twenty of this chapter, or other person treated as a distributor pursuant to section four hundred seventy-one-d of this chapter, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars or by a term of imprisonment not to exceed thirty days.
- (2) Any person, other than a dealer or a distributor appointed by the commissioner under article twenty of this chapter, who shall knowingly transport or have in his custody, possession or under his control more than fifteen pounds of tobacco, or more than seven hundred fifty cigars, or more than fifteen hundred milliliters or more of vapor product upon which the taxes imposed by article twenty of this chapter have not been assumed or paid by a distributor appointed by the commissioner under article twenty of this chapter, or other person treated as a distributor pursuant to section four hundred seventy-one-d of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars or by a term of imprisonment not to exceed thirty days.
- (3) Any person, other than a distributor appointed by the commissioner under article twenty of this chapter, who shall knowingly transport or have in his custody, possession or under his control twenty-five hundred or more cigars, or fifty or more pounds of tobacco, or five thousand milliliters or more of vapor product upon which the taxes imposed by article twenty of this chapter have not been assumed or paid by a distributor appointed by the commissioner under article twenty of this chapter, or other person treated as a distributor pursuant to section four hundred seventy-one-d of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Provided further, that any person who has twice been convicted under this subdivision shall be guilty of a class E felony for any subsequent violation of this section, regardless of the amount of tobacco products involved in such violation.
- (4) For purposes of this subdivision, such person shall knowingly transport or have in his custody, possession or under his control tobacco, [or] cigars, or vapor products on which such taxes have not been assumed or paid by a distributor appointed by the commissioner where such person has knowledge of the requirement of the tax on tobacco products and, where to his knowledge, such taxes have not been assumed or paid on such tobacco products by a distributor appointed by the commissioner of taxation and finance.
- § 27. Subdivisions (a) and (b) of section 1814-a of the tax law, as added by chapter 61 of the laws of 1989, are amended to read as follows:

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- (a) Any person who, while not appointed as a distributor of tobacco products pursuant to the provisions of article twenty of this chapter, imports or causes to be imported into the state more than fifty cigars, or more than one pound of tobacco, or more than one hundred milliliters of vapor product for sale within the state, or produces, manufactures or compounds tobacco products within the state shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars or by a term of imprisonment not to exceed thirty days. If, within any ninety day period, one thousand or more cigars, or five hundred pounds or more of tobacco, or fifty thousand milliliters or more of vapor product are imported or caused to be imported into the state for sale within the state or are produced, manufactured or compounded within the state by any person while not appointed as a distributor of tobacco products, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Provided further, that any person who has twice been convicted under this section shall be guilty of a class E felony for any subsequent violation of this section, regardless of the amount of tobacco products involved in such violation.
- (b) For purposes of this section, the possession or transportation within this state by any person, other than a tobacco products distributor appointed by the commissioner of taxation and finance, at any one time of seven hundred fifty or more cigars [or], fifteen pounds or more of tobacco, or fifteen hundred milliliters or more of vapor product shall be presumptive evidence that such tobacco products are possessed or transported for the purpose of sale and are subject to the tax imposed by section four hundred seventy-one-b of this chapter. With respect to such possession or transportation, any provisions of article twenty of this chapter providing for a time period during which the tax imposed by such article may be paid shall not apply.
- § 28. Subdivision (a) of section 1846-a of the tax law, as amended by chapter 556 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:
- (a) Whenever a police officer designated in section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law or a peace officer designated in subdivision four of section 2.10 of such law, acting pursuant to his special duties, shall discover any tobacco products in excess of five hundred cigars [or], ten pounds of tobacco, or one thousand milliliters of vapor product which are being imported for sale in the state where the person importing or causing such tobacco products to be imported has not been appointed as a distributor pursuant to section four hundred seventy-two of this chapsuch police officer or peace officer is hereby authorized and empowered forthwith to seize and take possession of such tobacco products. Such tobacco products seized by a police officer or peace officer shall be turned over to the commissioner. Such seized tobacco products shall be forfeited to the state. All tobacco products forfeited the state shall be destroyed or used for law enforcement purposes, except that tobacco products that violate, or are suspected of violatfederal trademark laws or import laws shall not be used for law enforcement purposes. If the commissioner determines the products may not be used for law enforcement purposes, the commissioner must, within a reasonable time thereafter, upon publication in the state registry of a notice to such effect before the day of destruction, destroy such forfeited tobacco products. The commissioner may, prior to any destruction of tobacco products, permit the true holder of the trademark rights in the tobacco products to inspect such forfeited products in order to assist in any investigation regarding such tobacco products.

§ 29. Subdivision (b) of section 1847 of the tax law, as added by chapter 61 of the laws of 1989, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Any peace officer designated in subdivision four of section 2.10 of the criminal procedure law, acting pursuant to his special duties, or any police officer designated in section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law may seize any vehicle or other means of transportation used to import tobacco products in excess of five hundred cigars [or], ten pounds of tobacco, or one thousand milliliters of vapor product for sale where the person importing or causing such tobacco products to be imported has not been appointed a distributor pursuant to section four hundred seventy-two of this chapter, other than a vehicle or other means of transportation used by any person as a common carrier in transaction of business as such common carrier, and such vehicle or other means of transportation shall be subject to forfeiture as hereinafter in this section provided.

§ 30. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law and shall apply to vapor products that first become subject to taxation under article 20 of the tax law on or after that date.

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Section 1. Subdivision (d) of section 1814 of the tax law, as amended by section 28 of subpart I of part V-1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

- (d) For the purposes of this section, the possession or transportation within this state by any person, other than an agent, at any one time of [five] two thousand or more cigarettes in unstamped or unlawfully stamped packages shall be presumptive evidence that such cigarettes are possessed or transported for the purpose of sale and are subject to the tax imposed by section four hundred seventy-one of this chapter. With respect to such possession or transportation any provisions of article twenty of this chapter providing for a time period during which a use tax imposed by such article may be paid on unstamped cigarettes or unlawfully or improperly stamped cigarettes or during which such cigarettes may be returned to an agent shall not apply. The possession within this state of more than four hundred cigarettes in unstamped or unlawfully stamped packages by any person other than an agent at any one time shall be presumptive evidence that such cigarettes are subject to tax as provided by article twenty of this chapter.
- § 2. Subdivision (g) of section 1814 of the tax law, as amended by section 28 of subpart I of part V-1 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- (g) Any person who falsely or fraudulently makes, alters or counterfeits any stamp prescribed by the tax commission under the provisions of article twenty of this chapter, or causes or procures to be falsely or fraudulently made, altered or counterfeited any such stamp, or knowingly and willfully utters, purchases, passes or tenders as true any such false, altered or counterfeited stamp, or knowingly and willfully possesses any cigarettes in packages bearing any such false, altered or counterfeited stamp, and any person who knowingly and willfully makes, causes to be made, purchases or receives any device for forging or counterfeiting any stamp, prescribed by the tax commission under the provisions of article twenty of this chapter, or who knowingly and willfully possesses any such device, shall be guilty of a class [E] \underline{C} felo-54 ny. For the purposes of this subdivision, the words "stamp prescribed by



1 the tax commission" shall include a stamp, impression or imprint made by 2 a metering machine, the design of which has been approved by such 3 commission.

4 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately and apply to offenses 5 committed on and after such effective date.

6 PART HH

7 Section 1. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 478-a to 8 read as follows:

9 478-a. Jeopardy assessments. If the commissioner believes that the 10 collection of any tax will be jeopardized by delay, he or she may deter-11 mine the amount of such tax and assess the same, together with all 12 interest and penalties provided by law, against any person liable there-13 for prior to the filing of his or her return and prior to the date when 14 his or her return is required to be filed. The amount so determined 15 shall become due and payable to the commissioner by the person against whom such a jeopardy assessment is made, as soon as notice thereof is 16 17 given to him or her. The provisions of section four hundred seventy-18 eight of this article shall apply to any such determination except to 19 the extent that they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this 20 section. The commissioner may abate any jeopardy assessment if he or she finds that jeopardy does not exist. The collection of any jeopardy 21 22 assessment may be stayed by filing with the commissioner a bond issued 23 by a surety company authorized to transact business in this state and 24 approved by the superintendent of financial services as to solvency and 25 responsibility, or such other security acceptable to the commissioner, 26 conditioned upon payment of the amount assessed and interest thereon, or 27 any lesser amount to which such assessment may be reduced by the division of tax appeals or by a proceeding under article seventy-eight of 28 29 the civil practice law and rules as provided in section four hundred 30 seventy-eight of this article, such payment to be made when the assess-31 ment or any such reduction thereof becomes final and not subject to 32 further review. If such a bond is filed and thereafter a proceeding under article seventy-eight of the civil practice law and rules is 33 commenced as provided in section four hundred seventy-eight of this 34 article, deposit of the taxes, interest and penalties assessed shall not 36 be required as a condition precedent to the commencement of such 37 proceeding. Where a jeopardy assessment is made, any property seized for the collection of the tax shall not be sold: (1) until expiration of the 39 time to apply for a hearing as provided in section four hundred seven-40 ty-eight of this article, and (2) if such application is timely filed, 41 until the expiration of the time to file an exception to the determi-42 nation of the administrative law judge or, if an exception is timely filed, until four months after the tax appeals tribunal has given notice 43 44 of its decision to the person against whom the assessment is made; 45 provided, however, such property may be sold at any time if such person has failed to attend a hearing of which he or she has been duly noti-46 47 fied, or if he or she consents to the sale, or if the commissioner 48 determines that the expenses of conservation and maintenance will great-49 ly reduce the net proceeds, or if the property is perishable.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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PART II

- Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 471-b of the tax 2 law, as amended by section 18 of part D of chapter 134 of the laws of 3 2010, is amended to read as follows:
 - (a) Such tax on tobacco products other than snuff [and], little cigars, and cigars shall be at the rate of seventy-five percent of the wholesale price, and is intended to be imposed only once upon the sale of any tobacco products other than snuff [and], little cigars and cigars.
- 9 § 2. Subdivision 1 of section 471-b of the tax law is amended by 10 adding a new paragraph (d) to read as follows:
- 11 (d) Such tax on cigars as defined in subdivision nineteen of section 12 four hundred seventy of this article shall be at a rate of forty-five 13 cents per cigar.
 - § 3. Paragraph (i) of subdivision (a) of section 471-c of the tax law, as amended by section 20 of part D of chapter 134 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:
- 17 (i) Such tax on tobacco products other than snuff [and], little cigars
 18 and cigars shall be at the rate of seventy-five percent of the wholesale
 19 price.
- 20 § 4. Subdivision (a) of section 471-c of the tax law is amended by 21 adding a new paragraph (iv) to read as follows:
- 22 <u>(iv) Such tax on cigars as defined in subdivision nineteen of section</u>
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 24 cents per cigar.
- § 5. This act shall take effect September 1, 2017.

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27 Section 1. Subdivision (e) of section 1401 of the tax law, as amended 28 by chapter 760 of the laws of 1992, is amended to read as follows:

29 "Conveyance" means the transfer or transfers of any interest in real property by any method, including but not limited to sale, 30 exchange, assignment, surrender, mortgage foreclosure, transfer in lieu 31 of foreclosure, option, trust indenture, taking by eminent domain, conveyance upon liquidation or by a receiver, or transfer or acquisition 33 34 of a controlling interest in any entity with an interest in real proper-Conveyance also includes the transfer of an interest in a partner-36 ship, limited liability corporation, S corporation or non-publicly traded C corporation with fewer than one hundred shareholders that owns an 37 interest in real property that is located in New York and has a fair 39 market value that equals or exceeds fifty percent of all the assets of 40 the entity on the date of the transfer of an interest in the entity. 41 Only those assets that the entity owned for at least two years before 42 the date of the transfer of the taxpayer's interest in the entity shall be used in determining the fair market value of all the assets of the 43 entity on the date of the transfer. Transfer of an interest in real 45 property shall include the creation of a leasehold or sublease only where (i) the sum of the term of the lease or sublease and any options 46 for renewal exceeds forty-nine years, (ii) substantial capital improvements are or may be made by or for the benefit of the lessee or subles-48 see, and (iii) the lease or sublease is for substantially all of the premises constituting the real property. Notwithstanding the foregoing, conveyance of real property shall not include a conveyance pursuant to devise, bequest or inheritance; the creation, modification, extension, 52 53 spreading, severance, consolidation, assignment, transfer, release or satisfaction of a mortgage; a mortgage subordination agreement, a mortgage severance agreement, an instrument given to perfect or correct a recorded mortgage; or a release of lien of tax pursuant to this chapter or the internal revenue code.

- § 2. Subdivision (d) of section 1401 of the tax law is amended by adding a new paragraph (vi) to read as follows:
- (vi) In the case of a transfer of an interest in a partnership, limited liability corporation, S corporation or non-publicly traded C corporation with one hundred or fewer shareholders that owns real property that is located in New York and has a fair market value that equals or exceeds fifty percent of all the assets of the entity on the date of the 10 11 transfer of an interest in the entity, the consideration for the conveyance shall be calculated by multiplying (1) the fair market value of the real property that is located in New York that is owned by the entity and (2) the percentage of the entity that is transferred.
- 15 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to trans-16 fers occurring on and after the effective date.

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- 18 Section 1. Section 1402-a of the tax law is amended by adding a new 19 subdivision (b-1) to read as follows:
- 20 (b-1) The commissioner is authorized to treat as subject to tax under 21 this section any conveyance of an interest in real property made pursuant to an agreement, understanding or arrangement that results in the 23 avoidance or evasion of the tax imposed by this section.
- 24 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

25 PART LL

- 26 Section 1. Section 902 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breed-27 ing law, as amended by chapter 60 of the laws of 1993, subdivision 1 as amended by chapter 15 of the laws of 2010 and subdivision 2 as amended 28 by chapter 18 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows: 29
 - § 902. Equine drug testing and expenses. 1. In order to assure the public's confidence and continue the high degree of integrity in racing at the pari-mutuel betting tracks, equine drug testing at race meetings shall be conducted by a [state college within this state with an approved equine science program] suitable laboratory or laboratories located in New York state, as the gaming commission may determine in its discretion. The [state racing and wagering board] gaming commission shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this section, including administrative penalties of loss of purse money, fines, or denial, suspension[,] or revocation of a license for racing drugged horses.
 - 2. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, all costs and expenses of the [state racing and wagering board] gaming commission for equine drug testing and research shall be paid from [an appropriation from the state treasury, on the certification of the chairman of the state racing and wagering board, upon the audit and warrant of the comptroller and pursuant to a plan developed by the state racing and wagering board as approved by the director of the budget] an assessment the commission may make on horsemen entering horses in races, an assessment the commission may make on racetracks, or both.
- § 2. Subdivision 2 of section 228 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering 50 51 and breeding law, as amended by chapter 18 of the laws of 2008 and the

opening paragraph as amended by chapter 291 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

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The New York state gaming commission shall, as a condition of racing, require any franchised corporation and every other corporation subject to its jurisdiction to withhold one percent of all purses, except that for the franchised corporation, starting on September first, two thousand seven and continuing through August thirty-first, two thousand seventeen, two percent of all purses shall be withheld, and, in the case of the franchised corporation, to pay such sum to the horsemen's organization or its successor that was first entitled to receive payments pursuant to this section in accordance with rules of the commission adopted effective November third, nineteen hundred eightythree representing at least fifty-one percent of the owners and trainers [utilizing] using the facilities of such franchised corporation, on the condition that such horsemen's organization shall expend [as much as is necessary, but not to exceed] one-half of one percent of such total sum[,] to acquire and maintain the equipment required to [establish a program at a state college within this state with an approved equine science program to] test, at a suitable laboratory located in New York state, as the gaming commission may determine in its discretion, for the presence of [steroids] impermissible drugs or other substances that might be classified as impermissible substances in horses, provided further that the qualified organization shall also, in an amount to be determined by its board of directors, annually include in its expenditures for benevolence programs, funds to support an organization providing services necessary to backstretch employees, and, in the case of every other corporation, to pay such one percent sum of purses to the horsemen's organization or its successor that was first entitled to receive payments pursuant to this section in accordance with rules of the commission adopted effective May twenty-third, nineteen hundred eighty-six representing at least fifty-one percent of the owners and trainers [utilizing] using the facilities of such corporation.

In either case, any other horsemen's organization may apply to the [board] <u>commission</u> to be approved as the qualified organization to receive payment of the one percent of all purses by submitting to the [board] <u>commission</u> proof of both, that (i) it represents more than fifty-one percent of all the owners and trainers [utilizing] <u>using</u> the same facilities and (ii) the horsemen's organization previously approved as qualified by the [board] <u>commission</u> does not represent fifty-one percent of all the owners and trainers [utilizing] <u>using</u> the same facilities. If the [board] <u>commission</u> is satisfied that the documentation submitted with the application of any other horsemen's organization is conclusive with respect to items (i) and (ii) of this paragraph, it may approve the applicant as the qualified recipient organization.

In the best interests of racing, upon receipt of such an application, the [board] <u>commission</u> may direct the payments to the previously qualified horsemen's organization to continue uninterrupted, or it may direct the payments to be withheld and placed in interest-bearing accounts for a period not to exceed ninety days, during which time the [board] <u>commission</u> shall review and approve or disapprove the application. Funds held in such manner shall be paid to the organization approved by the [board] <u>commission</u>. In no event shall the [board] <u>commission</u> accept more than one such application in any calendar year from the same horsemen's organization.

The funds authorized to be paid by the [board] <u>commission</u> are to be used exclusively for the benefit of those horsemen racing in New York

1 state through the administrative purposes of such qualified organiza-

- 2 tion, benevolent activities on behalf of backstretch employees, and for
- 3 the promotion of equine research.
- § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

5 PART MM

- 6 Section 1. Article 19-B of the executive law is REPEALED.
- 7 § 1-a. Article 9-A of the general municipal law is REPEALED.
- 8 § 1-b. Article 14-H of the general municipal law is REPEALED.
- 9 § 2. The racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law is amended by 10 adding a new article 15 to read as follows:

ARTICLE 15

CHARITABLE GAMING

13 <u>Title 1. General provisions.</u>

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- 2. Bingo control.
- 3. Local option for conduct of bingo by certain organizations.
- 4. Local option for conduct of games of chance by certain organizations.

TITLE 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

20 Section 1500. Definitions.

1501. Forms.

1502. Participation by persons under the age of eighteen.

1503. Sundays.

1504. Advertising of charitable games.

1505. Sanctions for violations.

1506. Severability.

- § 1500. Definitions. As used in this article, in addition to the definitions set forth in section one hundred one of this chapter, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- 1. "Authorized bingo lessor" shall mean a person, firm or corporation other than a licensee to conduct bingo under the provisions of this article, who or which owns or is a net lessee of premises and offer the same for leasing by him, her or it to an authorized organization for any consideration whatsoever, direct or indirect, for the purpose of conducting bingo therein, provided, that he, she or it, as the case may be, shall not be:
- (a) a person convicted of a crime if there is a direct relationship between one or more of the previous criminal offenses and the integrity of bingo, considering the factors set forth in section seven hundred fifty-three of the correction law;
- (b) a person who is or has been a professional gambler or gambling promoter or who for other reasons is not of good moral character;
- 43 (c) a public officer who receives any consideration, direct or indi-44 rect, as owner or lessor of premises offered for the purpose of conduct-45 ing bingo therein; or
- (d) a firm or corporation in which a person defined in paragraph (a),

 (b) or (c) of this subdivision or a person married or related in the

 first degree to such a person has greater than a ten percent proprie
 tary, equitable or credit interest or in which such a person is active

 or employed.
- Nothing contained in this subdivision shall be construed to bar any firm or corporation that is not organized for pecuniary profit and no part of the net earnings of which inure to the benefit of any individual, member or shareholder, from being an authorized bingo lessor solely

because a public officer, or a person married or related in the first
degree to a public officer, is a member of, active in or employed by
such firm or corporation.

2. "Authorized games of chance lessor" shall mean an authorized organization that has been granted a lessor's license pursuant to the provisions of title four of this article or a municipality.

- 3. "Authorized organization" shall mean any bona fide religious or charitable organization or bona fide educational, fraternal, civic or service organization or bona fide organization of veterans, volunteer firefighters or volunteer ambulance workers that by its charter, certificate of incorporation, constitution or act of the legislature has among its dominant purposes one or more of the lawful purposes as defined in this section, provided that each shall operate without profit to its members and provided that each such organization has engaged in serving one or more of the lawful purposes as defined in this section for a period of one year immediately prior to applying for a license under this article. No organization shall be deemed an authorized organization that is formed primarily for the purpose of conducting bingo or games of chance and that does not devote at least seventy-five percent of its activities to other than conducting bingo or games of chance. No political party, political campaign or political campaign committee shall be deemed an authorized organization.
- 4. "Authorized supplier of games of chance equipment" shall mean any person, firm, partnership, corporation or organization licensed by the commission to sell or lease games of chance equipment or paraphernalia that meets the specifications and regulations established by the commission. Nothing herein shall prevent an authorized organization from purchasing common articles, such as cards and dice, from normal sources of supply of such articles or from constructing equipment and paraphernalia for games of chance for its own use. However, no such equipment or paraphernalia, constructed or owned by an authorized organization shall be sold or leased to any other authorized organization, without written permission from the commission.
- 5. "Bell jars" shall mean and include those games in which a participant shall draw a card that contains numbers, colors or symbols that are covered and that, when uncovered, may reveal that a prize shall be awarded on the basis of a designated winning number, color or symbol or combination of numbers, colors or symbols. Such card shall be drawn from a jar, vending machine or other suitable device or container. Bell jars shall also include seal cards, coin boards, event games and merchandise boards.
- 6. "Bingo" shall mean a specific game of chance, commonly known as bingo or lotto, in which prizes are awarded on the basis of designated numbers or symbols on a card conforming to numbers or symbols selected at random.
 - 7. "Bingo control law" shall mean title two of this article.
 - 8. "Bingo licensing law" shall mean title three of this article.
- 9. "Bonus ball" shall mean a bingo game that is played in conjunction with one or more regular or special bingo games designated as bonus ball games by the licensed authorized organization during one or more consective bingo occasions in which a prize is awarded to the player obtaining a specified winning bingo pattern when the last number called by the licensed authorized organization is the designated bonus ball number. The bonus ball prize shall be based upon a percentage of the sales from opportunities to participate in bonus ball games not to exceed seventy-

opportunities or ten thousand dollars, whichever shall be less, and 1 which is not subject to the prize limits imposed by subdivisions five 3 and six of section fifteen hundred twenty-three and paragraph (a) of subdivision one of section fifteen hundred twenty-five of this article. The percentage shall be specified both in the application for the bingo 6 license and the licensee. Notwithstanding section fifteen hundred thir-7 ty-one of this article, not more than one dollar shall be charged per player for an opportunity to participate in all bonus ball games 9 conducted during a single bingo occasion, and the total amount collected 10 from the sale of bonus ball opportunities and the amount of the prize to 11 be awarded shall be announced prior to the start of each bingo occasion. 12 "Coin board" and "merchandise board" shall mean a board used in 13

conjunction with bell jar tickets that contains and displays various coins and/or merchandise as prizes. A player having a bell jar ticket with a number matching a pre-designated number reflected on the board for a prize wins that prize.

- 11. "Clerk" shall mean the clerk of a municipality outside the city of New York.
- 12. "Department" shall mean the New York city department of consumer <u>affairs.</u>
- 13. "Early bird" shall mean a bingo game that is played as a special game, conducted not more than twice during a bingo occasion, in which prizes are awarded based upon a percentage not to exceed seventy-five percent of the sum of money received from the sale of the early bird cards and that is neither subject to the prize limits imposed by subdivisions five and six of section fifteen hundred twenty-three and paragraph (a) of subdivision one of section fifteen hundred twenty-five, nor the special game opportunity charge limit imposed by section fifteen hundred thirty-one of this article. The percentage shall be specified both in the application for bingo license and the license. Not more than one dollar shall be charged per card with the total amount collected from the sale of the early bird cards and the prize for each game to be announced before the commencement of each game.
- 34 "Event game" shall mean a bell jar game in which certain winners 35 are determined by the random selection of one or more bingo numbers, the 36 use of a seal card or by another method approved by the commission.
 - 15. "Flare" shall mean a poster description of the bell jar game, which shall include:
 - (a) a declaration of the number of winners and amount of prizes in each deal;
 - (b) the number of prizes available in the deal;

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- (c) the number of tickets in each deal that contain the stated prize;
- (d) the manufacturer's game form number and the serial number of the deal, which shall be identical to the serial number imprinted on each ticket contained in the deal; and
- 46 (e) such other requirements as the rules and regulations of the 47 commission may require.
 - 16. "Games of chance" shall mean and include only the games known as "merchandise wheels," "coin boards," "merchandise boards," "seal cards," "event games," "raffles," "bell jars" and such other specific games as may be authorized by the commission, in which prizes are awarded on the basis of a designated winning number or numbers, color or colors, symbol or symbols determined by chance, but not including games commonly known as "bingo" or "lotto," which are controlled under titles two and three of this article, and also not including "bookmaking," "policy or numbers games" and "lottery" as defined in section 225.00 of the penal law.

- 1 17. "Lawful purposes" shall mean one or more of the following causes, 2 deeds or activities:
 - (a) those that benefit needy or deserving persons indefinite in number by enhancing their opportunity for religious or educational advancement, by relieving them from disease, suffering or distress, or by contributing to their physical well-being, by assisting them in establishing themselves in life as worthy and useful citizens, or by increasing their comprehension of and devotion to the principles upon which this nation was founded and enhancing their loyalty to their governments;
 - (b) those that initiate, perform or foster worthy public works or enable or further the erection or maintenance of public structures;
 - (c) those that initiate, perform or foster the provisions of services to veterans by encouraging the gathering of such veterans and enable or further the erection or maintenance of facilities for use by such veterans that shall be used primarily for charitable or patriotic purposes, or those purposes that shall be authorized by a bona fide organization of veterans, provided however that such proceeds are disbursed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the commission and section fifteen hundred fifty-four of this article; and
 - (d) those that otherwise lessen the burdens borne by the government or that are voluntarily undertaken by an authorized organization to augment or supplement services that the government would normally render to the people, including, in the case of volunteer firefighters' activities, the purchase, erection or maintenance of a building for a firehouse, activities open to the public for the enhancement of membership and the purchase of equipment that can reasonably be expected to increase the efficiency of response to fires, accidents, public calamities and other emergencies.
 - 18. "License period" shall mean:

- (a) for bingo, the duration of a license issued pursuant to section fifteen hundred twenty-five of this article;
- (b) for games of chance other than bell jars or raffles, a period of time not to exceed fourteen consecutive hours; and
- (c) for bell jars and raffles, a period of time running from January first to December thirty-first of the year set forth in the license.
- 19. "Limited-period bingo" shall mean the conduct of bingo by a licensed authorized organization, for a period of not more than seven of twelve consecutive days in any one year, at a festival, bazaar, carnival or similar function conducted by such licensed authorized organization. No authorized organization licensed to conduct limited-period bingo shall be otherwise eligible to conduct bingo pursuant to this title in the same year.
- 20. "Municipal officer" shall mean the chief law enforcement officer of a municipality outside the city of New York, or if such municipality exercises the option set forth in subdivision two of section fifteen hundred sixty-three of this article, the chief law enforcement officer of the county.
- 21. "Municipality" shall mean any city, town or village within this state.
- 22. "Net lease" shall mean a written agreement between a lessor and lessee under the terms of which the lessee is entitled to the possession, use or occupancy of the whole or part of any commercial premises for which the lessee pays rent to the lessor and likewise undertakes to pay substantially all of the regularly recurring expenses incident to the operation and maintenance of such leased premises.
 - 23. "Net proceeds" shall mean:

(a) in relation to the gross receipts from one or more occasions of bingo, the amount that remains after deducting the reasonable sums necessarily and actually expended for bingo supplies and equipment, prizes, stated rental, if any, bookkeeping or accounting services according to a schedule of compensation prescribed by the commission, janitorial services and utility supplies if any, license fees, and the cost of bus transportation, if authorized by the commission;

- (b) in relation to bell jars, the difference between the ideal handle from the sale of bell jar tickets, seal cards, merchandise boards and coin boards less the amount of money paid out in prizes and less the purchase price of the bell jar deal, seal card deal, merchandise board deal or coin board deal. Additionally, a credit shall be permitted against the net proceeds fee tendered to the commission for unsold tickets of the bell jar deal so long as the unsold tickets have the same serial and form number as the tickets for which the fee is rendered;
- (c) in relation to the gross receipts from one or more license periods of games of chance, the amount that shall remain after deducting the reasonable sums necessarily and actually expended for supplies and equipment, prizes, security-personnel, stated rental if any, bookkeeping or accounting services according to a schedule of compensation prescribed by the commission, janitorial services and utility supplies, if any, license fees, and the cost of bus transportation, if authorized by the clerk or department;
- (d) in relation to the gross rent received by an organization licensed to conduct bingo for the use of its premises by another licensee, the amount that remains after deducting the reasonable sums necessarily and actually expended for janitorial services and utility supplies directly attributable thereto if any; and
- (e) in relation to the gross rent received by an authorized games of chance lessor for the use of its premises by a game of chance licensee, the amount that shall remain after deducting the reasonable sums necessarily and actually expended for janitorial services and utility supplies directly attributable thereto if any.
- 24. (a) "One occasion" shall mean the successive operations of any one single type of game of chance that results in the awarding of a series of prizes amounting to five hundred dollars or four hundred dollars during any one license period, in accordance with the provisions of subdivision eight of section fifteen hundred fifty-four of this article, as the case may be.
- (b) For purposes of the game of chance known as a merchandise wheel or a raffle, "one occasion" shall mean the successive operations of any one such merchandise wheel or raffle for which the limit on a series of prizes provided by subdivision six of section fifteen hundred fifty-four of this article shall apply.
- (c) For purposes of the game of chance known as a bell jar, "one occasion" shall mean the successive operation of any one such bell jar, seal card, event game, coin board, or merchandise board that results in the awarding of a series of prizes amounting to six thousand dollars.
- 49 (d) For the purposes of the game of chance known as raffle "one occa50 sion" shall mean a calendar year during which successive operations of
 51 such game are conducted.

26. "Premises" shall mean, in regard to games of chance, a designated area within a building, hall, tent or grounds reasonably identified for the conduct of games of chance. Nothing herein shall require such area to be enclosed.

- 27. "Prize," where supercard is played as set forth in subdivision thirty-three of this section, shall mean the sum of money or actual value of merchandise awarded to the winner or winners on a game card during a game of bingo and the sum of money or actual value of merchandise awarded to the winner or winners on a supercard in excess of the total receipts derived from the sale of supercards for that specific game.
- 28. "Raffle" shall mean and include those games of chance in which a participant pays money in return for a ticket or other receipt and in which a prize is awarded on the basis of a winning number or numbers, color or colors, or symbol or symbols designated on the ticket or receipt, determined by chance as a result of:
- (a) a drawing from among those tickets or receipts previously sold; or
 (b) a random event, the results of which correspond with tickets or
 receipts previously sold.
- 29. "Seal cards" shall mean a board or placard used in conjunction with a deal of the same serial number that contains one or more concealed areas that, when removed or opened, reveal a predesignated winning number, letter or symbol located on the board or placard. A seal card used in conjunction with an event game shall not be required to contain lines for prospective seal winners to sign their name.
- 30. "Series of prizes" shall mean the total amount of single prizes minus the total amount of wagers lost during the successive operations of a single type of game of chance, except that for merchandise wheels and raffles, "series of prizes" shall mean the sum of cash and the fair market value of merchandise awarded as single prizes during the successive operations of any single merchandise wheel or raffle. In the game of raffle, a series of prizes may include a percentage of the sum of cash received from the sale of raffle tickets.
- 31. "Single prize" shall mean the sum of money or fair market value of
 merchandise or coins awarded to a participant by a games of chance
 licensee in any one operation of a single type of game of chance in
 excess of his or her wager.
 - 32. "Single type of game" shall mean the games of chance known as merchandise wheels, coin boards, merchandise boards, event games, raffles and bell jars and each other specific game of chance authorized by the commission.
 - 33. "Supercard" shall mean a bingo card on which prizes are awarded, which card is selected by the player, containing five designated numbers, colors or symbols, corresponding to the letters B, I, N, G, O, displayed on the bingo board of the bingo premises operator, which can be played concurrently with the other bingo cards played during the game of bingo.
 - § 1501. Forms. The commission shall, to the greatest extent practicable, make forms and applications required by this article or related rules and regulations of the commission available in electronic formats that minimize paperwork and are designed to maximize efficiency for authorized organizations, municipalities and the commission.
- § 1502. Participation by persons under the age of eighteen. 1. No 54 person under the age of eighteen years shall be permitted to play any 55 game of bingo or any game of chance conducted pursuant to this article.

- 2. No person under the age of eighteen years shall be permitted to conduct, operate or assist in the conduct of any game of bingo or game of chance conducted pursuant to this article.
 - 3. Persons under the age of eighteen years may be permitted to attend games of chance at the discretion of the games of chance licensee.
 - § 1503. Sundays. A municipality may restrict a license to conduct bingo or games of chance by providing that no bingo or games of chance shall be conducted on the first day of the week, commonly known as Sunday, if the provisions of a local law or an ordinance duly adopted by the governing body of the municipality issuing the license prohibits the conduct of bingo or games of chance pursuant to this title on such days.
 - § 1504. Advertising of charitable games. A licensee may advertise the conduct of an occasion of bingo or games of chance event to the general public by means of newspaper, radio, circular, handbill and poster, by one sign not exceeding sixty square feet in area, which may be displayed on or adjacent to the premises owned or occupied by a licensed authorized organization, by other signs as may be permitted by the rules and regulations of the commission and through the internet as may be permitted by the rules and regulations of the commission. When an organization is licensed or authorized to conduct bingo occasions or games of chance events on the premises of another licensed authorized organization or of an authorized bingo lessor or authorized games of chance lessor, one additional such sign may be displayed on or adjacent to the premises in which the occasions are to be conducted. Additional signs may be displayed upon any firefighting equipment belonging to any licensed authorized organization that is a volunteer fire company, or upon any equipment of a first aid or rescue squad in and throughout the community served by such volunteer fire company or such first aid or rescue squad, as the case may be. All advertisements shall be limited to:
 - (a) the description of such event as "bingo," "games of chance" or "casino night," as the case may be;
 - (b) the name of the authorized organization conducting such bingo occasions or games of chance;
 - (c) the license number of the authorized organization as assigned by the clerk or department;
 - (d) the prizes offered; and

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- (e) the date, location and time of the bingo occasion or games of chance event.
- § 1505. Sanctions for violations. The commission shall have the power to issue letters of reprimand or impose fines in any amount up to the maximum authorized by section one hundred sixteen of this chapter for any violation of this article or the rules and regulations of the commission. A person or entity that has been fined may request a de novo hearing before the commission to review and determine such fine, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the commission.
- § 1506. Severability. If any provision of this article or the application thereof to any municipality, person or circumstances shall be adjudged unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this article or the application thereof to other municipalities, persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby, and the legislature hereby declares that it would have enacted this title without the invalid provision or application, as the case may be, had such invalidity been apparent.

TITLE 2 BINGO CONTROL

Section 1510. Short title.

1511. Purpose of title.

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1512. Other agency assistance.

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1515. Place of investigations and hearings; witnesses; books and documents.

1516. Privilege against self-incrimination.

1517. Filing and availability of rules and regulations.

1518. Municipality to file copies of local laws and ordinances; reports.

§ 1510. Short title. This title shall be known and may be cited as the bingo control law.

§ 1511. Purpose of title. The purpose of this title is to implement section nine of article one of the state constitution, as amended by vote of the people at the general election in November, nineteen hundred fifty-seven. The legislature hereby declares that the raising of funds for the promotion of bona fide charitable, educational, scientific, health, religious, civic and patriotic causes and undertakings, where the beneficiaries are indefinite, is in the public interest. It hereby finds that, as conducted prior to the enactment of this title, bingo was the subject of exploitation by professional gamblers, promoters and commercial interests. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the legislature that all phases of the supervision, licensing and the regulation of bingo and of the conduct of bingo games, should be controlled closely and that the laws and regulations pertaining thereto should be construed strictly and enforced rigidly; that the conduct of bingo and all attendant activities should be so regulated and adequate controls so instituted as to discourage commercialization in all its forms, including the rental of commercial premises for bingo games, and to ensure a maximum availability of the net proceeds of bingo exclusively for application to the worthy causes and undertakings specified herein; that the only justification for this title is to foster and support such worthy causes and undertakings, and that the mandate of section nine of article one of the state constitution, as amended, should be carried out by rigid regulation to prevent commercialized gambling, prevent participation by criminal and other undesirable elements and prevent the diversion of funds from the purposes herein authorized.

§ 1512. Other agency assistance. To effectuate the purposes of this title, the governor may authorize any department, division, board, bureau, commission or agency of the state or in any political subdivision thereof to provide such facilities, assistance and data as will enable the commission properly to carry out its activities and effectuate its purposes hereunder.

§ 1513. Powers and duties of the commission. 1. The commission shall have the power and it shall be its duty to:

(a) supervise the administration of the bingo licensing law and adopt, amend and repeal rules and regulations governing the issuance and amendment of licenses thereunder and the conducting of bingo under such licenses, which rules and regulations shall have the force and effect of law and shall be binding upon all municipalities issuing licenses and upon licensees thereunder and licensees of the commission, to the end that such licenses shall be issued to qualified licensees only and that said bingo games shall be fairly and properly conducted for the purposes and in the manner in the said bingo licensing law prescribed and to prevent the bingo games thereby authorized to be conducted from being conducted for commercial purposes or purposes other than those therein

authorized, participated in by criminal or other undesirable elements and the funds derived from the bingo games being diverted from the purposes authorized, and, to provide uniformity in the administration of said law throughout the state, the commission shall prescribe forms of application for licenses, licenses, amendment of licenses, reports of the conduct of bingo games and other matters incident to the administration of such law;

- (b) conduct, anywhere within the state, investigations of the administration, enforcement and potential or actual violations of the bingo licensing law and of the rules and regulations of the commission;
- (c) review all determinations and actions of the municipal governing body in issuing an initial license and review the issuance of subsequent licenses and, after hearing, revoke those licenses that do not in all respects meet the requirements of this title and the rules and regulations of the commission;
- (d) suspend or revoke a license, after hearing, for any violation of the provisions of this title or the rules and regulations of the commission;
- (e) hear appeals from the determinations and action of the municipal governing body in connection with the refusing to issue licenses, the suspension and revocation of licenses and the imposition of fines in the manner prescribed by law and the action and determination of the commission upon any such appeal shall be binding upon the municipal governing body and all parties thereto;
- (f) initiate prosecutions for violations of this title and of the bingo licensing law;
- (g) carry on continuous study of the operation of the bingo licensing law to ascertain from time to time defects therein jeopardizing or threatening to jeopardize the purposes of this title and to formulate and recommend changes in such law and in other laws of the state that the commission may determine to be necessary for the realization of such purposes, and to the same end to make a continuous study of the operation and administration of similar laws that may be in effect in other states of the United States;
- (h) supervise the disposition of all funds derived from the conduct of bingo by authorized organizations not currently licensed to conduct such bingo games; and
- (i) issue an identification number to an applicant authorized organization if the commission determines that the applicant satisfies the requirements of the bingo licensing law and the rules and regulations of the commission.
- 2. (a) The commission shall have the power to issue or, after hearing, refuse to issue a license permitting a person, firm or corporation to sell or distribute to any other person, firm or corporation engaged in business as a wholesaler, jobber, distributor or retailer of all cards, boards, sheets, pads and all other supplies, devices and equipment designed for use in the play of bingo by an organization duly licensed to conduct bingo games or to sell or distribute any such materials directly to such an organization. For the purposes of this section the words "sell or distribute" shall include, without limitation, the following activities: offering for sale, receiving, handling, maintaining, storing the same on behalf of such an organization, distributing or providing the same to such an organization and offering for sale or lease bingo devices and equipment. Each such license shall be valid for one year.

- (b) (1) No person, firm or corporation, other than an organization that is or has been during the preceding twelve months duly licensed to conduct bingo games, shall sell or distribute bingo supplies or equipment without having first obtained a license therefor upon written application made, verified and filed with the commission in the form prescribed by the rules and regulations of the commission.
- (2) The commission, as a part of its determination concerning the applicant's suitability for licensing as a bingo supplier, shall require the applicant to furnish to the commission two sets of fingerprints. Such fingerprints shall be submitted to the division of criminal justice services for a state criminal history record check, as defined in subdivision one of section three thousand thirty-five of the education law, and may be submitted to the federal bureau of investigation for a national criminal history record check.
- 15 (3) In each such application for a license under this section shall be stated:
 - (i) the name and address of the applicant;

- (ii) the names and addresses of its officers, directors, shareholders or partners;
- (iii) the amount of gross receipts realized on the sale or distribution of bingo supplies and equipment to duly licensed organizations during the last preceding calendar or fiscal year; and
- (iv) such other information as shall be prescribed by such rules and regulations.
- 25 (4) The fee for such license shall be as prescribed by regulation of 26 the commission, which shall take into account the quantity of gross 27 sales of the applicant.
 - (c) The following shall be ineligible for such a license:
 - (1) a person convicted of a crime if there is a direct relationship between one or more of the previous criminal offenses and the integrity of bingo, considering the factors set forth in section seven hundred fifty-three of the correction law;
- 33 (2) a person who is or has been a professional gambler or gambling 34 promoter or who for other reasons is not of good moral character;
 - (3) a public officer or employee;
 - (4) an operator or proprietor of a commercial hall duly licensed under the bingo licensing law; and
 - (5) a firm or corporation in which a person defined in subparagraph one, two, three or four of this paragraph, or a person married or related in the first degree to such a person, has greater than a ten percent proprietary, equitable or credit interest or in which such a person is active or employed.
 - (d) The commission shall have power to examine or cause to be examined the books and records of any applicant for a license, or any licensee, under this section. Any information so received shall not be disclosed except so far as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this article.
 - (e) Any solicitation of an organization licensed to conduct bingo games, to purchase or induce the purchase of bingo supplies and equipment, or any representation, statement or inquiry designed or reasonably tending to influence such an organization to purchase the same, other than by a person licensed or otherwise authorized pursuant to this section shall constitute a violation of this section.
- 54 (f) Any person who willfully makes any material false statement in any 55 application for a license authorized to be issued under this title or 56 who willfully violates any of the provisions of this section or of any

license issued hereunder shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition to the penalties in such case made and provided, shall forfeit any license issued to him, her or it under this section and be ineligible to apply for a license under this section for one year thereafter.

(g) At the end of the license period, a recapitulation shall be made as between the licensee and the commission in respect of the gross sales actually recorded during the license period and the fee paid therefor, and any deficiency of fee thereby shown to be due shall be paid by the licensee and any excess of fee thereby shown to have been paid shall be credited to said licensee in such manner as the commission by the rules and regulations shall prescribe.

3. The commission shall have the power to approve and establish a standard set of bingo cards comprising a consecutively numbered series and shall by rules and regulations prescribe the manner in which such cards are to be reproduced and distributed to licensed authorized organizations. The sale or distribution to a licensed authorized organization of any card or cards other than those contained in the standard set of bingo cards shall constitute a violation of this section. Licensed authorized organizations shall not be required to use nor to maintain such cards seriatim excepting that the same may be required in the conduct of limited-period bingo games.

§ 1514. Hearings; immunity. 1. A hearing upon any investigation or review authorized by this article may be conducted by two or more members of the commission or by a hearing officer duly designated by the commission, as the commission shall determine.

2. A person who has violated any provision of this article, or of the rules and regulations of the commission, or any term of any license issued under this article or such rules and regulations, is a competent witness against another person so charged. In any hearing upon any investigation or review authorized by this article, for or relating to a violation of any provision of said article or of the rules and regulations of the commission or of the term of any such license, the commission may confer immunity upon such witness in accordance with the provisions of section 50.20 of the criminal procedure law. Such immunity shall be conferred only upon the vote of at least three members of the commission and only after affording the attorney general and the appropriate district attorney a reasonable opportunity to be heard with respect to any objections that they or either of them may have to the granting of such immunity.

§ 1515. Place of investigations and hearings; witnesses; books and documents. The commission may conduct investigations and hearings within or without the state and shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses, the production of books, records, documents and other evidence by the issuance of a subpoena signed by a person authorized by the commission to do so.

§ 1516. Privilege against self-incrimination. The willful refusal to answer a material question or the assertion of privilege against self-incrimination during a hearing upon any investigation or review authorized by this article by any licensee or any person identified with any licensee as an officer, director, stockholder, partner, member, employee or agent thereof shall constitute sufficient cause for the revocation or suspension of any license issued under this title or under the licensing law, as the commission or as the municipal governing body may determine.

§ 1517. Filing and availability of rules and regulations. A copy of every rule and regulation adopted and promulgated by the commission

shall be made available to the various municipalities operating under the bingo licensing law.

§ 1518. Municipality to file copies of local laws and ordinances; reports. Each municipality in which the bingo licensing law is adopted shall file with the commission a copy of each local law or ordinance enacted pursuant thereto within ten days after the same has been approved by a majority of the electors voting on a proposition submitted at a general or special election, or within ten days after the same has been amended or repealed by the common council or other local legislative body and on or before February first of each year, and at any other or times that the commission may determine, make a report to the commission of the number of licenses issued therein under the bingo licensing law, the names and addresses of the licensees, the aggregate amount of license fees collected, the names and addresses of all persons detected of violating the bingo licensing law, this title or the rules and regulations adopted by the commission pursuant hereto, and of all persons prosecuted for such violations and the result of each such prosecution, the penalties imposed therein during the preceding calendar year, or the period for which the report is required, which report may contain any recommendations for improvement of the bingo licensing law or the administration thereof that the governing body of the municipality deems desirable.

TITLE 3

LOCAL OPTION FOR CONDUCT OF BINGO BY CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS Section 1520. Short title; purpose of title.

1521. Local option.

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1522. Local laws and ordinances.

1523. Restrictions upon conduct of bingo games.

1524. Application for license.

1525. Investigation; matters to be determined; issuance of license; fees; duration of license.

1526. Hearing; amendment of license.

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1533. Examination of books and records; examination of managers, etc.; disclosure of information.

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1541. Powers and duties of mayors or managers of certain cities.

§ 1520. Short title; purpose of title. This title shall be known and may be cited as the bingo licensing law. The legislature hereby declares that the raising of funds for the promotion of bona fide charitable, educational, scientific, health, religious, civic and patriotic causes

and undertakings, where the beneficiaries are indefinite, is in the public interest. It hereby finds that, as conducted prior to the effec-tive date of this title, bingo was the subject of exploitation by professional gamblers, promoters, and commercial interests. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the legislature that all phases of the supervision, licensing and regulation of bingo and of the conduct of bingo games, should be closely controlled and that the laws and regulations pertaining thereto should be strictly construed and rigidly enforced; that the conduct of the bingo game and all attendant activ-ities should be so regulated and adequate controls so instituted as to discourage commercialization in all its forms, including the rental of commercial premises for bingo games, and to ensure a maximum availabili-ty of the net proceeds of bingo exclusively for application to the worthy causes and undertakings specified herein; that the only justi-fication for this title is to foster and support such worthy causes and undertakings, and that the mandate of section nine of article one of the state constitution, as amended, should be carried out by rigid regu-lation to prevent commercialized gambling, prevent participation by criminal and other undesirable elements and prevent the diversion of funds from the purposes herein authorized.

§ 1521. Local option. Subject to the provisions of this title, and pursuant to the direction contained in subdivision two of section nine of article one of the constitution of the state, the legislature hereby gives and grants to every municipality the right, power and authority to authorize the conduct of bingo games by authorized organizations within the territorial limits of such municipality provided, however, that where the electors of a village hereafter approve a local law or ordinance pursuant to section fifteen hundred twenty-three of this title, the right, power and authority under this title of any town in which such village is located shall not extend to such village during such time as such village local law or ordinance is in effect.

§ 1522. Local laws and ordinances. 1. The common council or other local legislative body of any municipality may, either by local law or ordinance, provide that it shall be lawful for any authorized organization, upon obtaining a license therefor as provided in this title, to conduct the game of bingo within the territorial limits of such municipality, subject to the provisions of such local law or ordinance, the provisions of this title and the provisions of the bingo control law.

2. No such local law or ordinance shall become operative or effective unless and until it has been approved by a majority of the electors voting on a proposition submitted at a general or special election held within such municipality who are qualified to vote for officers of such municipality.

3. The time, method and manner of submission, preparation and provision of ballots and ballot labels, balloting by voting machine and conducting the election, canvassing the result and making and filing the returns and all other procedure with reference to the submission of and action upon any proposition for the approval of any such local law or ordinance shall be the same as in the case of any other proposition to be submitted to the electors of such municipality at a general or special election in such municipality, as provided by law.

§ 1523. Restrictions upon conduct of bingo games. The conduct of bingo games authorized by local law or ordinance shall be subject to the following restrictions without regard to whether such restrictions are contained in such local law or ordinance, but nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the inclusion within such local law or

- 1 <u>ordinance of other provisions imposing additional restrictions upon the</u> 2 <u>conduct of bingo games:</u>
 - 1. No person, firm, association, corporation or organization, other than a licensee under the provisions of this title, shall
 - (a) conduct bingo; or

- (b) lease or otherwise make available for conducting bingo a hall or other premises for any consideration whatsoever, direct or indirect, without obtaining the prior written approval of the commission.
- 2. No bingo games shall be held, operated or conducted on or within any leased premises if rental under such lease is to be paid, wholly or partly, on the basis of a percentage of the receipts or net profits derived from the operation of such game.
- 3. No authorized organization licensed under the provisions of this title shall purchase, lease or receive any supplies or equipment specifically designed or adapted for use in the conduct of bingo games from other than a supplier licensed under the bingo control law or from another authorized organization.
- 18 4. The entire net proceeds of any game of bingo and of any rental
 19 shall be devoted exclusively to the lawful purposes of the organization
 20 permitted to conduct the same.
 - 5. No prize shall exceed the sum or value of five thousand dollars in any single game of bingo.
 - 6. No series of prizes on any one bingo occasion shall aggregate more than fifteen thousand dollars.
 - 7. No person except a bona fide member of any such organization shall participate in the management or operation of such bingo game.
 - 8. No person shall receive any remuneration for participating in the management or operation of any game of bingo.
 - 9. The unauthorized conduct of a bingo game and any willful violation of any provision of any local law or ordinance shall constitute and be punishable as a misdemeanor.
 - 10. No person licensed to sell bingo supplies or equipment, or any agent of such person, shall conduct, participate in or assist in the conduct of bingo. Nothing herein shall prohibit a licensed distributor from selling, offering for sale or explaining a product to an authorized organization or installing or servicing bingo equipment upon the premises of a bingo game licensee.
 - 11. Limited-period bingo shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this title and the rules and regulations of the commission.
 - § 1524. Application for license. 1. To conduct bingo. (a) Each applicant for a license to conduct bingo shall, after obtaining an identification number from the commission, file with the clerk of the municipality an application therefor in the form prescribed in the rules and regulations of the commission, duly executed and verified, in which such applicant shall state:
 - (1) the name and address of the applicant together with sufficient facts relating to such applicant's incorporation and organization to enable the governing body of the municipality to determine whether or not the applicant is a bona fide authorized organization;
 - (2) the names and addresses of the applicant's officers;
- 52 (3) the place or places where, and the date or dates and the time or 53 times when, the applicant intends to conduct bingo under the license 54 applied for;
- 55 (4) in case the applicant intends to lease premises for this purpose 56 from other than an authorized organization, the name and address of the

- licensed bingo lessor of such premises, and the capacity or potential 1 capacity for public assembly purposes of space in any premises presently 3 owned or occupied by the applicant;
 - (5) the amount of rent to be paid or other consideration to be given directly or indirectly for each occasion for use of the premises of another authorized organization licensed under this title to conduct bingo or for use of the premises of a licensed bingo lessor;
 - (6) all other items of expense intended to be incurred or paid in connection with the holding, operating and conducting of such games of bingo and the names and addresses of the persons to be paid and the purposes for which such persons are to be paid;
 - (7) the specific purposes to which the entire net proceeds of such games of bingo are to be devoted and in what manner;
 - (8) that no commission, salary, compensation, reward or recompense will be paid to any person for conducting such bingo game or games or for assisting therein except as in this title otherwise provided; and
 - (9) such other information as shall be prescribed by the rules and regulations of the commission.
 - (b) In each application there shall be designated an active member or members of the applicant organization under whom the game or games of bingo will be conducted and to the application shall be appended a statement executed by the member or members so designated, that he, she or they will be responsible for the conduct of such bingo games in accordance with the terms of the license and the rules and regulations of the commission and of this title.
 - 2. Bingo lessor. (a) Each applicant for a license to lease premises to a licensed organization for the purposes of conducting bingo therein shall file with the clerk of the municipality an application therefor in a form prescribed in the rules and regulations of the commission duly executed and verified, which shall set forth:
 - (1) the name and address of the applicant;

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- (2) designation and address of the premises intended to be covered by the license sought;
 - (3) lawful capacity for public assembly purposes;
- (4) cost of premises and assessed valuation for real estate tax 35 36 purposes, or annual net lease rent, whichever is applicable;
- 37 (5) gross rentals received and itemized expenses for the immediately 38 preceding calendar or fiscal year, if any;
 - (6) gross rentals, if any, derived from bingo during the last preceding calendar or fiscal year;
 - (7) computation by which proposed rental schedule was determined;
 - (8) number of occasions on which applicant anticipates receiving rent for bingo during the ensuing year or shorter period if applicable;
- 44 (9) proposed rent for each such occasion; estimated gross rental income from all other sources during the ensuing year;
- 46 (10) estimated expenses itemized for ensuing year and amount of each item allocated to bingo rentals; 47
 - (11) a statement that the applicant in all respects conforms with the specifications contained in the definition of "authorized bingo lessor" set forth in section fifteen hundred of this article; and
- 51 (12) such other information as shall be prescribed by the rules and 52 regulations of the commission.
 - (b) At the end of the license period, a recapitulation, in a manner prescribed in the rules and regulations of the commission, shall be made as between the licensee and the municipal governing body in respect of the gross rental actually received during the license period and the fee

paid therefor. The licensee shall pay any deficiency of fee thereby shown to be due and any excess of fee thereby shown to have been paid shall be credited to such licensee, in such manner as the commission by rules and regulations shall prescribe.

- § 1525. Investigation; matters to be determined; issuance of license; fees; duration of license. 1. The governing body of the municipality shall make an investigation of the qualifications of each applicant and the merits of each application, with due expedition after the filing of the application.
- (a) Issuance of licenses to conduct bingo. If the governing body of the municipality determines:
- (1) that the applicant is duly qualified to be licensed to conduct bingo under this title;
- (2) that the member or members of the applicant designated in the application to conduct bingo are bona fide active members of the applicant and are persons of good moral character and have never been convicted of a crime if there is a direct relationship between one or more of the previous criminal offenses and the integrity of bingo, considering the factors set forth in section seven hundred fifty-three of the correction law;
- (3) that such games of bingo are to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this title and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the commission;
- (4) that the proceeds thereof are to be disposed of as provided by this title;
- (5) if the governing body is satisfied that no commission, salary, compensation, reward or recompense whatever will be paid or given to any person holding, operating or conducting or assisting in the holding, operation and conduct of any such games of bingo except as in this title otherwise provided; and
- (6) that no prize will be offered and given in excess of the sum or value of five thousand dollars in any single game of bingo and that the aggregate of all prizes offered and given in all of such games of bingo conducted on a single occasion, under said license shall not exceed the sum or value of fifteen thousand dollars, then the municipality shall issue a license to the applicant for the conduct of bingo upon payment of a license fee for each bingo occasion, to be established by regulation of the commission. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this paragraph, the governing body shall refuse to issue a license to an applicant seeking to conduct bingo in premises of a licensed bingo lessor where such governing body determines that the premises presently owned or occupied by such applicant are in every respect adequate and suitable for conducting bingo games.
- (b) Issuance of licenses to bingo lessors. If the governing body of the municipality determines that:
- (1) the applicant seeking to lease a hall or premises for the conduct of bingo to an authorized organization is duly qualified to be licensed under this title;
- 49 (2) the applicant satisfies the requirements for an authorized bingo 50 lessor as defined in section fifteen hundred of this article;
- 51 (3) at the time of the issuance of an initial license, there is a
 52 public need and that public advantage will be served by the issuance of
 53 such license;
 - (4) the applicant has filed its proposed rent for each bingo occasion;
- 55 (5) the commission has approved as fair and reasonable a schedule of 56 maximum rentals for each such occasion;

(6) there is no diversion of the funds of the proposed lessee from the lawful purposes as defined in this title; and

- (7) such leasing of a hall or premises for the conduct of bingo is to be in accordance with the provisions of this title and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the commission, such governing body shall issue a license permitting the applicant to lease said premises for the conduct of bingo to the authorized organization or organizations specified in the application during the period therein specified or such shorter period as the governing body of the municipality determines, but not to exceed one year, upon payment of a license fee established by regulation of the commission.
- 2. On or before the thirtieth day of each month, the treasurer of the municipality shall transmit to the state comptroller a sum equal to fifty percent of all bingo lessor license fees and an amount established by regulation of the commission per occasion of all license fees for the conduct of bingo collected by such municipality pursuant to this section during the preceding calendar month.
- 3. No license shall be issued under this title that is effective for a period of more than one year. In the case of limited-period bingo, no license shall be issued authorizing the conduct of such games on more than two occasions in any one day, nor shall any license be issued under this title that is effective for a period of more than seven of twelve consecutive days in any one year. No license for the conduct of limited-period bingo shall be issued in cities having a population of one million or more.
- § 1526. Hearing; amendment of license. 1. No application for the issuance of a license shall be denied by the governing body until after a hearing, held on due notice to the applicant, at which the applicant shall be entitled to be heard upon the qualifications of the applicant and the merits of the application.
- 2. Any license issued under this title may be amended, upon application made to the governing body of the municipality that issued such license, if the subject matter of the proposed amendment could lawfully and properly have been included in the original license and upon payment of such additional license fee if any, as would have been payable if such amendment had been so included.
- § 1527. Form and contents of license; display of license. 1. Each license to conduct bingo shall be in such form as the rules and regulations of the commission prescribe and shall contain:
 - (a) the name and address of the licensee;
- (b) the names of the member or members of the licensee under whom the games will be conducted;
- (c) the place or places where and the date or dates and time or times when such games are to be conducted;
- (d) the specific purposes to which the entire net proceeds of such games are to be devoted; and
- (e) if any prize or prizes are to be offered and given in cash, a statement of the amounts of the prizes authorized so to be offered and given and any other information that the rules and regulations of the commission may require.
- 2. Each license issued for the conduct of any game of bingo shall be displayed conspicuously at the place where such game of bingo is to be conducted at all times during such conduct.
- 3. Each license to lease premises for conducting bingo shall be in such form as the rules and regulations of the commission prescribe and shall contain a statement of the name and address of the licensee and



the address of the leased premises, the amount of permissible rent and any other information that the rules and regulations of the commission may require. Each such license shall be displayed conspicuously upon such premises at all times during the conduct of bingo.

 § 1528. Control and supervision; suspension of licenses; inspection of premises. 1. The governing body of any municipality issuing any license under this title shall have and exercise rigid control and close supervision over all games of bingo conducted under such license, to the end that the same are fairly conducted in accordance with the provisions of such license, the provisions of the rules and regulations of the commission and the provisions of this title and such governing body.

2. The commission shall have the power and the authority to suspend any license issued by such governing body and to revoke the same, and, additionally, in the case of an authorized bingo lessor, to impose a fine in an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars, after notice and hearing, for violation of any such provisions, and shall have the right of entry, by the commission's officers and agents, at all times into any premises where any game of bingo is being conducted or where it is intended that any such game of bingo shall be conducted, or where any equipment being used or intended to be used in the conduct thereof is found, for the purpose of inspecting the same.

3. In addition to the authority granted pursuant to subdivision two of this section, the governing body in a city having a population of one million or more and the commission may impose a fine in an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars, after notice and hearing, on any licensee under this title for violation of any provision of such license, this title or rules and regulations of the commission.

§ 1529. Frequency of game; sale of alcoholic beverages. No game or games of bingo, except limited-period bingo, shall be conducted under any license issued under this title more often than on eighteen days in any three successive calendar months. No game or games of limited-period bingo shall be conducted between the hours of twelve midnight and noon, and no more than sixty games may be conducted on any single occasion of limited-period bingo. No game or games of bingo shall be conducted in any room or outdoor area where alcoholic beverages are sold, served or consumed during the progress of the game or games.

§ 1530. Persons operating and conducting bingo games; equipment; expenses; compensation. 1. (a) No person shall hold, operate or conduct any game of bingo under any license issued under this title except a bona fide member of the authorized organization to which the license is issued. No person shall assist in the holding, operating or conducting of any game of bingo under such license except such a bona fide member or a bona fide member of an organization or association that is an auxiliary to the licensee or a bona fide member of an organization or association of which such licensee is an auxiliary or a bona fide member of an organization or association or association that is affiliated with the licensee by being, with it, auxiliary to another organization or association and except bookkeepers or accountants as hereinafter provided, but any person may assist the licensed organization in any activity related to the game of bingo that does not actually involve the holding, conducting, managing or operating of such game of bingo.

(b) No game of bingo shall be conducted with any equipment except such as shall be owned absolutely or leased by the authorized organization so licensed or used without payment of any compensation therefor by the licensee.



- (c) Lease terms and conditions shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the commission.
- (d) This title shall not be construed to authorize or permit an authorized organization to engage in the business of leasing bingo supplies or equipment.
- (e) No items of expense shall be incurred or paid in connection with the conducting of any game of bingo pursuant to any license issued under this title, except those that are reasonable and are necessarily expended for bingo supplies and equipment, prizes, stated rental, if any, bookkeeping or accounting services according to a schedule of compensation prescribed by the commission, janitorial services and utility supplies, if any, and license fees, and the cost of bus transportation, if authorized by the commission.
- 2. Notwithstanding any provision of this title to the contrary, a person who is a bona fide member of an organization licensed to conduct the game of bingo and is also a bona fide member of one or more other organizations that are also licensed to conduct the game of bingo, and such organizations are not affiliates or auxiliaries of the others, shall be authorized to operate, conduct or assist in the operation or conduct of games of bingo held by any of such organizations licensed to conduct bingo.
- § 1531. Charge for admission and participation; amount of prizes; award of prizes. 1. Except in the conduct of limited-period bingo, the regulations of the commission shall establish a maximum amount to be charged by any licensee for admission to any room or place in which any game or games of bingo are to be conducted under any license issued under this title, which admission fee, upon payment thereof, shall entitle the person paying the same to participate without additional charge in all regular games of bingo to be played under such license on such occasion.
 - 2. In the conduct of limited-period bingo:
 - (a) no admission fee shall be charged;

- (b) not more than an amount established by regulation of the commission shall be charged for a single opportunity to participate in any one game of bingo, which charge, upon payment thereof, shall entitle the person paying the same to one card for participation in one such game; and
- (c) no licensee shall sell more than five opportunities to each player participating in any one game of bingo. Every winner in a game of bingo shall be determined and every prize shall be awarded and delivered within the same calendar day as that upon which the game of bingo was played.
- § 1532. Statement of receipts, expenses; additional license fees. 1. Within seven days after the conclusion of any occasion of bingo, the authorized organization that conducted the same, and such authorized organization's members who were in charge thereof, and when applicable the authorized organization that rented its premises therefor, shall each furnish to the clerk or the department a statement subscribed by the member in charge and affirmed by such person as true, under the penalties of perjury, showing the amount of the gross receipts derived therefrom and each item of expense incurred, or paid, and each item of expenditure made or to be made, the name and address of each person to whom each such item has been paid, or is to be paid, with a detailed description of the merchandise purchased or the services rendered therefor, the net proceeds derived from such game or rental, as the case may be, and the use to which such proceeds have been or are to be applied

and a list of prizes offered and given, with the respective values thereof. A clerk or the department shall make provisions for the electronic filing of such statement. It shall be the duty of each licensee to maintain and keep such books and records as may be necessary to substantiate the particulars of each such statement and within fifteen days after the end of each calendar quarter during which there has been any occasion of bingo, a summary statement of such information, in form prescribed by the commission, shall be furnished in the same manner to the commission. 2. Upon the filing of such statement of receipts, the authorized organization furnishing the same shall pay to the clerk of the munici-pality as and for an additional license fee a sum based upon the reported net proceeds, if any, for the occasion covered by such state-ment and determined in accordance with such schedule as shall be estab-lished from time to time by the commission to defray the cost to munici-palities of administering the provisions of this article.

§ 1533. Examination of books and records; examination of managers, etc.; disclosure of information. 1. The governing body of the municipality and the commission shall have power to examine or cause to be examined the books and records of any:

- (a) authorized organization that is or has been licensed to conduct bingo, so far as such books and records may relate to bingo, including the maintenance, control and disposition of net proceeds derived from bingo or from the use of its premises for bingo, and to examine any manager, officer, director, agent, member or employee thereof under oath in relation to the conduct of any such game of bingo under any such license, the use of its premises for bingo, or the disposition of net proceeds derived from bingo, as the case may be; and
- (b) licensed authorized bingo lessor so far as such books and records may relate to leasing premises for bingo and to examine said lessor or any manager, officer, director, agent or employee thereof under oath in relation to such leasing.
- 32 2. Any information so received shall not be disclosed except so far as 33 may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this 34 article.
 - § 1534. Appeals from municipal governing body to commission. Any applicant for, or holder of, any license issued or to be issued under this title aggrieved by any action of the governing body of the municipality to which such application has been made or by which such license has been issued, may appeal to the commission from the determination of said governing body by filing with the governing body a written notice of appeal within thirty days after the determination or action appealed from. Upon the hearing of such appeal, the evidence, if any, taken before the governing body and any additional evidence may be produced and shall be considered in arriving at a determination of the matters in issue. Action of the commission upon said appeal shall be binding upon said governing body and all parties to said appeal.
 - § 1535. Exemption from prosecution. No person or corporation lawfully conducting, or participating in the conduct of bingo or permitting the conduct upon any premises owned or leased by him, her or it under any license lawfully issued pursuant to this title, shall be liable to prosecution or conviction for violation of any provision of article two hundred twenty-five of the penal law or any other law or ordinance to the extent that such conduct is specifically authorized by this title, but this immunity shall not extend to any person or corporation knowingly conducting or participating in the conduct of bingo under any license obtained by any false pretense or by any false statement made in any

- 1 application for license or otherwise, or permitting the conduct upon any
 2 premises owned or leased by him, her or it of any game of bingo
 3 conducted under any license known to him, her or it to have been
 4 obtained by any such false pretense or statement.
 - § 1536. Offenses; forfeiture of license; ineligibility to apply for license. Any person who, or association or corporation that:

- 1. makes any false statement in any application for any license authorized to be issued under this title;
- 2. pays or receives, for the use of any premises for conducting bingo, a rental in excess of the amount specified as the permissible rent in the license provided for in subdivision two of section fifteen hundred twenty-four of this title;
- 3. fails to keep books and records that fully and truly record all transactions connected with the conducting of bingo or the leasing of premises to be used for the conduct of bingo;
- 4. falsifies or makes any false entry in any books or records so far as such books or records relate in any manner to the conduct of bingo, to the disposition of the proceeds thereof and to the application of the rents received by any authorized organization;
- 5. diverts or pays any portion of the net proceeds of any game of bingo to any person, association or corporation, except in furtherance of one or more of the lawful purposes defined in this title; or
 - 6. violates any of the provisions of this title or of any term of any license issued under this title; shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall forfeit any license issued under this title and be ineligible to apply for a license under this title for one year thereafter.
 - § 1537. Unlawful bingo. 1. For the purposes of this section, bingo shall include a game of bingo whether or not a person who participates as a player furnishes something of value for the opportunity to participate.
- 2. Any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation or organization holding, operating or conducting bingo is guilty of a misdemeanor, except when operating, holding or conducting:
- 34 (a) in accordance with a valid license issued pursuant to this title;
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 - (b) within a municipality that has authorized the conduct of bingo games by authorized organizations:
 - (1) within the confines of a home for purposes of amusement or recreation where no player or other person furnishes anything of value for the opportunity to participate and the prizes awarded or to be awarded are nominal.
 - (2) within any apartment, condominium or cooperative complex, retirement community, or other group residential complex or facility where:
 - (i) sponsored by the operator of or an association related to such complex, community or facility;
- (ii) such games are conducted solely for the purpose of amusement and recreation of its residents;
- 48 (iii) no player or other person furnishes anything of value for the 49 opportunity to participate;
- 50 <u>(iv) the value of the prizes do not exceed ten dollars for any one</u> 51 <u>game or a total of one hundred fifty dollars in any calendar day;</u>
- 52 (v) such games are not conducted on more than fifteen days during any 53 calendar year; and
- 54 (vi) no person other than an employee or volunteer of such complex,
 55 community or facility conducts or assists in conducting the game or
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(3) on behalf of any bona fide social, charitable, educational, recreational, fraternal or age-group organization, club or association solely for the purpose of amusement and recreation of its members or benefici-<u>aries where:</u>

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- (i) no player or other person furnishes anything of value for the 6 opportunity to participate;
 - (ii) the value of the prizes do not exceed ten dollars for any one game or a total of one hundred fifty dollars in any calendar day;
- 9 (iii) such games are not conducted on more than fifteen days during 10 any calendar year;
 - (iv) no person other than a bona fide active member of the organization, club or association participates in the conduct of the games; and
 - (v) no person is paid for conducting or assisting in the conduct of the game or games.
 - (4) as a hotel's, motel's, recreational or entertainment facility's or common carrier's social activity solely for the purpose of amusement and recreation of its patrons where:
 - (i) no player or other person furnishes anything of value for the opportunity to participate;
 - (ii) the value of the prizes do not exceed ten dollars for any one game or a total of one hundred fifty dollars in any calendar day;
 - (iii) such games are not conducted on more than fifteen days during any calendar year;
 - (iv) no person other than an employee or volunteer conducts or assists in conducting the game or games; and
 - (v) the game or games are not conducted in the same room where alcoholic beverages are sold.
 - (5) The commission and the governing body of the municipality in which bingo games are conducted pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision two of this section shall have the authority to regulate the conduct of such games. Any bingo game or games, in which no participant or other person furnishes anything of value for the opportunity to participate, that is or are operated in violation of paragraph (b) of subdivision two of this section, a civil penalty of not more than one hundred dollars may be imposed for the first such violation, a civil penalty of not more than one hundred fifty dollars may be imposed for the second such violation in a period of three years and a civil penalty of not more than two hundred dollars may be imposed for the third or subsequent such <u>violation</u> in a period of five years.
 - 3. The provisions of this section shall apply to all municipalities within this state, including those municipalities where this title is inoperative.
 - § 1538. Title inoperative until adopted by voters. Except as provided in section fifteen hundred forty, the provisions of this title shall remain inoperative in any municipality unless and until a proposition therefor submitted at a general or special election in such municipality is approved by a vote of the majority of the qualified electors in such municipality voting thereon.
- § 1539. Amendment and repeal of local laws and ordinances. 1. 49 50 local law or ordinance concerning bingo may be amended, from time to 51 time, or repealed by the common council or other local legislative body of the municipality that enacted it and such amendment or repeal, as the 53 case may be, may be made effective and operative not earlier than thirty 54 days following the effective date of the local law or ordinance effect-

2. The approval of a majority of the electors of such municipality
shall not be a condition prerequisite to the taking effect of such local
law or ordinance.

§ 1540. Delegation of authority. The governing body of a municipality may delegate to a municipal officer or officers designated by such municipality for that purpose any of the authority granted to it hereby in relation to the issuance, amendment and cancellation of licenses, the conduct of investigations and hearings, the supervision of the operation of the games and the collection and transmission of fees.

§ 1541. Powers and duties of mayors or managers of certain cities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, whenever the charter of any city, or any special or local law, provides that the mayor or manager of such city is the chief law enforcement officer thereof, then and in that event such mayor or manager, as the case may be, shall have, exercise and perform all the powers and duties otherwise prescribed by this title to be exercised and performed by the governing body of such city except those prescribed by section fifteen hundred twenty-two of this title, and in any such case, the term "governing body of a municipality" as used in this title shall be deemed to mean and include the mayor or manager of any such city.

TITLE 4

LOCAL OPTION FOR CONDUCT OF GAMES OF CHANCE BY CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS

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1578. Bell jars compliance and enforcement.

§ 1550. Short title; purpose of title. This title shall be known and may be cited as the games of chance licensing law. The legislature hereby declares that the raising of funds for the promotion of bona fide charitable, educational, scientific, health, religious and patriotic causes and undertakings, where the beneficiaries are undetermined, is in the public interest. The legislature hereby finds that, as conducted prior to the effective date of this title, games of chance were the subject of exploitation by professional gamblers, promoters and commercial interests. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the legislature that all phases of the supervision, licensing and regulation of games of chance and of the conduct of games of chance should be closely controlled and that the laws and regulations pertaining thereto should be strictly construed and rigidly enforced; that the conduct of the game and all attendant activities should be so regulated and adequate controls so instituted as to discourage commercialization of gambling in all its forms, including the rental of commercial premises for games of chance, and to ensure a maximum availability of the net proceeds of games of chance exclusively for application to the worthy causes and undertakings specified herein; that the only justification for this title is to foster and support such worthy causes and undertakings, and that the mandate of subdivision two of section nine of article one of the state constitution, as amended, should be carried out by rigid requlations to prevent commercialized gambling, prevent participation by criminal and other undesirable elements and prevent the diversion of funds from the purposes herein authorized.

§ 1551. Local option. Subject to the provisions of this title, and pursuant to the direction contained in subdivision two of section nine of article one of the state constitution, the legislature hereby gives and grants to every municipality the right, power and authority to authorize the conduct of games of chance by authorized organizations within the territorial limits of such municipality. A local law or ordinance adopted by a town shall be operative in any village or within any part of any village located within such town if, after adoption of such local law or ordinance, the board of trustees of such village adopts a local law or resolution subject to a permissive referendum as provided in article nine of the village law authorizing the issuance of licenses by the town for games of chance within such village. Such local law or resolution may be repealed only by a local law or resolution that shall also be subject to a permissive referendum, or by enactment of a local law authorizing games of chance as provided in section fifteen hundred fifty-two of this title.

§ 1552. Local laws and ordinances. 1. The common council or other local legislative body of any municipality may, either by local law or ordinance, provide that it shall be lawful for any authorized organization, upon obtaining a license therefor as hereinafter provided, to conduct games of chance within the territorial limits of such municipality, subject to the provisions of such local law or ordinance, the provisions of this title and the provisions set forth by the commission.

2. No such local law or ordinance shall become operative or effective unless and until it shall have been approved by a majority of the electors voting on a proposition submitted at a general or special election

held within such municipality who are qualified to vote for officers of 1 2 such municipality.

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3. The time, method and manner of submission, preparation and provision of ballots and ballot labels, balloting by voting machine and conducting the election, canvassing the result and making and filing the returns and all other procedure with reference to the submission of and action upon any proposition for the approval of any such local law or ordinance shall be the same as in the case of any other proposition to be submitted to the electors of such municipality at a general or special election in such municipality, as provided by law.

§ 1553. Powers and duties of the commission. The commission shall have the power and it shall be the duty of the commission to:

1. supervise the administration of the games of chance licensing law and to adopt, amend and repeal rules and regulations governing the issuance and amendment of licenses thereunder and the conducting of games under such licenses, which rules and regulations shall have the force and effect of law and shall be binding upon all municipalities issuing licenses, and upon licensees of the commission, to the end that such licenses shall be issued to qualified licensees only, and that said games shall be fairly and properly conducted for the purposes and in the manner of the said games of chance licensing law prescribed and to prevent the games of chance thereby authorized to be conducted from being conducted for commercial purposes or purposes other than those therein authorized, participated in by criminal or other undesirable elements and the funds derived from the games being diverted from the purposes authorized, and to provide uniformity in the administration of said law throughout the state, the commission shall prescribe forms of application for licenses, licensees, amendment of licenses, reports of the conduct of games and other matters incident to the administration of

- 2. conduct, anywhere in the state, investigations of the administration, enforcement and potential or actual violations of the games of chance licensing law and of the rules and regulations of the commission.
- 3. review all determinations and actions of the clerk or department in issuing an initial license and it may review the issuance of subsequent licenses and, after hearing, revoke those licenses that do not in all respects meet the requirements of this title and the rules and regulations of the commission.
- 4. suspend or revoke a license, after hearing, for any violation of the provisions of this title or the rules and regulations of the commis-
- 5. hear appeals from the determinations and action of the clerk, department or municipal officer in connection with the refusing to issue licenses, the suspension and revocation of licenses and the imposition of fines in the manner prescribed by law and the action and determination of the commission upon any such appeal shall be binding upon the clerk, department or municipal officer and all parties thereto.
- 48 6. carry on continuous study of the operation of the games of chance licensing law to ascertain from time to time defects therein jeopardiz-50 ing or threatening to jeopardize the purposes of this title, and to 51 formulate and recommend changes in such law and in other laws of the 52 state that the commission may determine to be necessary for the realiza-53 tion of such purposes, and to the same end to make a continuous study of the operation and administration of similar laws that may be in effect 54 55 in other states of the United States.

- 7. supervise the disposition of all funds derived from the conduct of games of chance by authorized organizations not currently licensed to conduct such games.
 - 8. issue an identification number to an applicant authorized organization if the commission determines that the applicant satisfies the requirements of the games of chance licensing law and the rules and regulations of the commission.
 - 9. approve and establish a standard set of games of chance equipment and by rules and regulations prescribe the manner in which such equipment is to be reproduced and distributed to licensed authorized organizations. The sale or distribution to a licensed authorized organization of any equipment other than that contained in the standard set of games of chance equipment shall constitute a violation of this section.
 - § 1554. Restrictions upon conduct of games of chance. The conduct of games of chance authorized by local law or ordinance shall be subject to the following restrictions without regard to whether the restrictions are contained in such local law or ordinance, but nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the inclusion within such local law or ordinance of other provisions imposing additional restrictions upon the conduct of such games:
- 21 <u>1. No person, firm, partnership, corporation or organization, other</u>
 22 <u>than a licensee under the provisions of section fifteen hundred sixty of</u>
 23 <u>this title, shall</u>
 - (a) conduct such game; or

- (b) lease or otherwise make available for conducting games of chance premises for any consideration whatsoever, direct or indirect, without obtaining the prior written approval of the commission.
- 2. No game of chance shall be held, operated or conducted on or within any leased premises if rental under such lease is to be paid, wholly or partly, on the basis of a percentage of the receipts or net profits derived from the operation of such game.
- 3. No authorized organization licensed under the provisions of this title shall purchase, lease, or receive any supplies or equipment specifically designed or adapted for use in the conduct of games of chance from other than a supplier licensed by the commission or from another authorized organization. Lease terms and conditions shall be subject to rules and regulations of the commission. The provisions of this title shall not be construed to authorize or permit an authorized organization to engage in the business of leasing games of chance, supplies or equipment. No organization shall purchase bell jar tickets, or deals of bell jar tickets, from any other person or organization other than those specifically authorized under section fifteen hundred seventy-six of this title.
- 4. The entire net proceeds of any game of chance shall be devoted exclusively to the lawful purposes of the organization permitted to conduct the same and the net proceeds of any rental derived therefrom shall be devoted exclusively to the lawful purposes of the authorized games of chance lessor.
- 5. (a) No single prize awarded by games of chance other than raffle shall exceed the sum or value of three hundred dollars, except that for merchandise wheels, no single prize shall exceed the sum or value of two hundred fifty dollars, and for bell jar, no single prize shall exceed the sum or value of one thousand dollars.
- 54 (b) No single prize awarded by raffle shall exceed the sum or value of three hundred thousand dollars.

1 (c) No single wager shall exceed six dollars and for bell jars, coin
2 boards or merchandise boards, no single prize shall exceed one thousand
3 dollars, provided, however, that such limitation shall not apply to the
4 amount of money or value paid by the participant in a raffle in return
5 for a ticket or other receipt.

- (d) For coin boards and merchandise boards, the value of a prize shall be determined by the cost of such prize to the authorized organization or, if donated, the fair market value of such prize.
- 6. (a) No authorized organization shall award a series of prizes consisting of cash or of merchandise with an aggregate value in excess of:
- (1) ten thousand dollars during the successive operations of any one merchandise wheel; and
- (2) six thousand dollars during the successive operations of any bell jar, coin board or merchandise board.
- (b) No series of prizes awarded by raffle shall have an aggregate value in excess of five hundred thousand dollars.
- (c) For coin boards and merchandise boards, the value of a prize shall be determined by its cost to the authorized organization or, if donated, its fair market value.
- 7. In addition to merchandise wheels, raffles and bell jars, no more than five other single types of games of chance shall be conducted during any one license period.
- 8. (a) Except for merchandise wheels and raffles, no series of prizes on any one occasion shall aggregate more than four hundred dollars when the licensed authorized organization conducts five single types of games of chance during any one license period. Except for merchandise wheels, raffles and bell jars, no series of prizes on any one occasion shall aggregate more than five hundred dollars when the licensed authorized organization conducts fewer than five single types of games of chance, exclusive of merchandise wheels, raffles and bell jars, during any one license period.
- 33 <u>(b) No authorized organization shall award by raffle prizes with an</u>
 34 <u>aggregate value in excess of three million dollars during any one</u>
 35 <u>license period.</u>
 - 9. Except for the limitations on the sum or value for single prizes and series of prizes, no limit shall be imposed on the sum or value of prizes awarded to any one participant during any occasion or any license period.
 - 10. (a) No person except a bona fide member of the licensed authorized organization shall participate in the management of such games.
 - (b) No person except a bona fide member of the licensed authorized organization, its auxiliary or affiliated organization, shall participate in the operation of such game, as set forth in section fifteen hundred sixty-five of this title.
- 11. No person shall receive any remuneration for participating in the management or operation of any such game.
- 48 12. No authorized organization shall extend credit to a person to 49 participate in playing a game of chance.
- 50 13. (a) No game of chance, other than a raffle that complies with 51 paragraph (b) of this subdivision, shall be conducted on other than the 52 premises of an authorized organization or an authorized games of chance 53 lessor.
- 54 (b) Raffle tickets may be sold to the public outside the premises of
 55 an authorized organization or an authorized games of chance lessor if
 56 such sales occur in a municipality that:

- 1 (1) has passed a local law, ordinance or resolution in accordance with
 2 sections fifteen hundred fifty-one and fifteen hundred fifty-two of this
 3 title approving the conduct of games of chance;
 - (2) is located in the county in which the municipality issuing the raffle license is located or in a county that is contiguous to the county in which the municipality issuing the raffle license is located; and

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- (3) has not objected to such sales after the commission gives notice to such municipality of an authorized organization's request to sell such raffle tickets in such municipality.
- (c) The commission may by regulation prescribe the advance notice an authorized organization must provide to the commission in order to take advantage of the provisions of paragraph (b) of this subdivision, forms in which such a request shall be made and the time period in which a municipality must communicate an objection to the commission.
- (d) No sale of raffle tickets shall be made more than one hundred eighty days prior to the date scheduled for the occasion at which the raffle will be conducted.
- (e) The winner of any single prize in a raffle shall not be required to be present at the time such raffle is conducted.
- 14. No person licensed to manufacture, distribute or sell games of chance supplies or equipment, or their agents, shall conduct, participate in, or assist in the conduct of games of chance. Nothing herein shall prohibit a licensed distributor from selling, offering for sale or explaining a product to an authorized organization or installing or servicing games of chance equipment upon the premises of games of chance licensees.
- 27 <u>15. The unauthorized conduct of a game of chance shall constitute and</u> 28 <u>be punishable as a misdemeanor.</u>
 - 16. No coins or merchandise from a coin board or merchandise board shall be redeemable or convertible into cash directly or indirectly by the authorized organization.
 - 17. No game of chance shall involve wagering of money by one player against another player.
- 34 § 1555. Authorized supplier of games of chance equipment. 1. No person, firm, partnership, corporation or organization shall sell or 35 distribute supplies or equipment specifically designed or adapted for 36 use in conduct of games of chance without having first obtained a 37 38 license therefor upon written application made, verified and filed with 39 the commission in the form prescribed by the rules and regulations of 40 the commission. As a part of the commission's determination concerning 41 the applicant's suitability for licensing as a games of chance supplier, 42 the commission shall require the applicant to furnish to the commission 43 two sets of fingerprints. Such fingerprints shall be submitted to the 44 division of criminal justice services for a state criminal history 45 record check, as defined in subdivision one of section three thousand 46 thirty-five of the education law, and may be submitted to the federal 47 bureau of investigation for a national criminal history record check. Manufacturers of bell jar tickets shall be considered suppliers of such 48 49 equipment. In each such application for a license under this section 50 shall be stated the name and address of the applicant; the names and 51 addresses of its officers, directors, shareholders or partners; the amount of gross receipts realized on the sale and rental of games of 53 chance supplies and equipment to duly licensed authorized organizations 54 during the last preceding calendar or fiscal year, and such other infor-55 mation as shall be prescribed by such rules and regulations. The fee for such license shall be a sum equal to an amount established by commission

regulation plus an amount equal to two percent of the gross sales and rentals, if any, of games of chance equipment and supplies to authorized organizations or authorized games of chance lessors by the applicant during the preceding calendar year, or fiscal year if the applicant maintains his accounts on a fiscal year basis. No license granted pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be effective for a period of more than one year.

- 2. The following shall be ineligible for such a license:
- (a) a person convicted of a crime if there is a direct relationship between one or more of the previous criminal offenses and the integrity of charitable gaming, considering the factors set forth in section seven hundred fifty-three of the correction law;
- (b) a person who is or has been a professional gambler or gambling promoter or who for other reasons is not of good moral character;
 - (c) a public officer or employee;

- (d) an authorized games of chance lessor; or
- (e) a firm or corporation in which a person defined in subparagraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) of this subdivision has greater than a ten percent proprietary, equitable or credit interest or in which such a person is active or employed.
- 3. The commission shall have power to examine or cause to be examined the books and records of any applicant for a license under this section. Any information so received shall not be disclosed except so far as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this title.
- 4. Any solicitation of an organization licensed to conduct games of chance, to purchase or induce the purchase of games of chance supplies and equipment, other than by a person licensed or otherwise authorized pursuant to this section, shall constitute a violation of this section.
- 5. Any person who willfully makes any material false statement in any application for a license authorized to be issued under this section or who willfully violates any of the provisions of this section or of any license issued hereunder shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition to the penalties in such case made and provided, shall forfeit any license issued to him, her or it under this section and be ineligible to apply for a license under this section for one year thereafter.
- 6. At the end of such period specified in the license, a recapitulation shall be made as between the licensee and the commission in respect of the gross sales and rentals actually recorded during that period and the fee paid therefor, and any deficiency of fee thereby shown to be due shall be paid by the licensee and any excess of fee thereby shown to have been paid shall be credited to said licensee in such manner as the commission by rules and regulations shall prescribe.
- § 1556. Declaration of state's exemption from operation of provisions of 15 U.S.C. § 1172. Pursuant to section two of an Act of Congress of the United States entitled "An act to prohibit transportation of gambling devices in interstate and foreign commerce," approved January second, nineteen hundred fifty-one, being chapter 1194, 64 Stat. 1134, and also designated as 15 U.S.C. §§ 1171-1177, the state of New York, acting by and through the duly elected and qualified members of its legislature, does hereby, in accordance with and in compliance with the provisions of section two of said Act of Congress, declare and proclaim that it is exempt from the provisions of section two of said Act of Congress.
- 55 § 1557. Legal shipments of gaming devices into New York state. All 56 shipments into this state of gaming devices, excluding slot machines and

coin operated gambling devices, as defined in subdivision seven-a of section 225.00 of the penal law, the registering, recording and labeling of which has been duly had by the manufacturer or dealer thereof in accordance with sections three and four of an Act of Congress of the United States entitled "An act to prohibit transportation of gambling devices in interstate and foreign commerce," approved January second, nineteen hundred fifty-one, being chapter 1194, 64 Stat. 1134, and also designated as 15 U.S.C. §§ 1171-1177, shall be deemed legal shipments thereof into this state.

- § 1558. Application for license. 1. To conduct games of chance. (a) Each applicant for a license shall, after obtaining an identification number from the commission, file with the clerk or department, an application therefor in a form to be prescribed by the commission, duly executed and verified, in which shall be stated:
- (1) the name and address of the applicant together with sufficient facts relating to its incorporation and organization to enable such clerk or department, as the case may be, to determine whether or not it is a bona fide authorized organization;
- (2) the names and addresses of its officers; the place or places where, the date or dates and the time or times when the applicant intends to conduct games under the license applied for;
- (3) the amount of rent to be paid or other consideration to be given directly or indirectly for each licensed period for use of the premises of an authorized games of chance lessor;
- (4) all other items of expense intended to be incurred or paid in connection with the holding, operating and conducting of such games of chance and the names and addresses of the persons to whom, and the purposes for which, they are to be paid;
- (5) the purposes to which the entire net proceeds of such games are to be devoted and in what manner; that no commission, salary, compensation, reward or recompense will be paid to any person for conducting such game or games or for assisting therein except as in this title otherwise provided; and such other information as shall be prescribed by such rules and regulations; and
- (6) the name of each single type of game of chance to be conducted under the license applied for and the number of merchandise wheels and raffles, if any, to be operated.
- (b) In each application there shall be designated not less than four bona fide members of the applicant organization under whom the game or games of chance will be managed and to the application shall be appended a statement executed by the members so designated, that they will be responsible for the management of such games in accordance with the terms of the license, the rules and regulations of the commission, this title and the applicable local laws or ordinances.
- 2. Authorized games of chance lessor. Each applicant for a license to lease premises to a licensed organization for the purposes of conducting games of chance therein shall file with the clerk or department an application therefor, in a form to be prescribed by the commission duly executed and verified, which shall set forth:
 - (a) the name and address of the applicant;
- 51 (b) designation and address of the premises intended to be covered by 52 the license sought;
- 53 (c) a statement that the applicant in all respects conforms with the
 54 specifications contained in the definition of "authorized organization"
 55 set forth in section fifteen hundred of this article; and

- 1 (d) a statement of the lawful purposes to which the net proceeds from 2 any rental are to be devoted by the applicant and such other information 3 as shall be prescribed by the commission.
 - 3. In counties outside the city of New York, municipalities may, pursuant to section fifteen hundred fifty-two of this title, adopt an ordinance providing that an authorized organization having obtained an identification number from the commission, and having applied for no more than one license to conduct games of chance during the period not less than twelve nor more than eighteen months immediately preceding, may file with the clerk or department a summary application in a form to be prescribed by the commission duly executed and verified, containing the names and addresses of the applicant organization and its officers, the date, time and place or places where the applicant intends to conduct games under the license applied for, the purposes to which the entire net proceeds of such games are to be devoted and the information and statement required by paragraph (b) of subdivision one of this section in lieu of the application required under subdivision one of this section.
 - 4. (a) Notwithstanding and in lieu of the licensing requirements set forth in this title, an authorized organization defined in section fifteen hundred of this article may file a verified statement, for which no fee shall be required, with the clerk or department and the commission attesting that such organization shall derive net proceeds or net profits from raffles in an amount less than thirty thousand dollars during one occasion or part thereof at which raffles are to be conducted. Such statement shall be on a single-page form prescribed by the commission, and shall be deemed a license to conduct raffles:
 - (1) under this title; and

- (2) within the municipalities in which the authorized organization is domiciled that have passed a local law, ordinance or resolution in accordance with sections fifteen hundred fifty-one and fifteen hundred fifty-two of this title approving the conduct of games of chance, and in municipalities that have passed a local law, ordinance or resolution in accordance with sections fifteen hundred fifty-one and fifteen hundred fifty-two of this title approving the conduct of games of chance that are located in the county in which the municipality issuing the license is located and in the counties that are contiguous to the county in which the municipality issuing the raffle license is located, provided those municipalities have authorized the licensee, in writing, to sell such raffle tickets therein.
- (b) An organization that has filed a verified statement with the clerk or department and the commission attesting that such organization shall derive net proceeds or net profits from raffles in an amount less than thirty thousand dollars during one occasion or part thereof that in fact derives net proceeds or net profits exceeding thirty thousand dollars during any one occasion or part thereof shall be required to obtain a license as required by this title and shall be subject to the provisions of section fifteen hundred sixty-seven of this title.
- § 1559. Raffles; license not required. 1. Notwithstanding the licensing requirements set forth in this title and their filing requirements set forth in subdivision four of section fifteen hundred fifty-eight of this title, an authorized organization may conduct a raffle without complying with such licensing requirements or such filing requirements, provided, that such organization shall derive net proceeds from raffles in an amount less than five thousand dollars during the conduct of one

raffle and shall derive net proceeds from raffles in an amount less than thirty thousand dollars during one calendar year.

- 2. No person under the age of eighteen shall be permitted to play, operate or assist in any raffle conducted pursuant to this section.
- 3. No raffle shall be conducted pursuant to this section except within a municipality in which the authorized organization is domiciled that has passed a local law, ordinance or resolution in accordance with sections fifteen hundred fifty-one and fifteen hundred fifty-two of this title approving the conduct of games of chance, and in municipalities that have passed a local law, ordinance or resolution in accordance with sections fifteen hundred fifty-one and fifteen hundred fifty-two of this title approving the conduct of games of chance that are located within the county or contiguous to the county in which the organization is domiciled.
- § 1560. Investigation; matters to be determined; issuance of license; fees; duration of license. 1. The clerk or department shall make an investigation of the qualifications of each applicant and the merits of each application, with due expedition after the filing of the application.
- 20 <u>(a) Issuance of licenses to conduct games of chance. If such clerk or</u> 21 <u>department determines:</u>
 - (1) that the applicant is duly qualified to be licensed to conduct games of chance under this title;
 - (2) that the member or members of the applicant designated in the application to manage games of chance are bona fide active members of the applicant and are persons of good moral character and have never been convicted of a crime if there is a direct relationship between one or more of the previous criminal offenses and the integrity of charitable gaming, considering the factors set forth in section seven hundred fifty-three of the correction law;
 - (3) that such games are to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this title and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the commission and applicable local laws or ordinances and that the proceeds thereof are to be disposed of as provided by this title; and
 - (4) is satisfied that no commission, salary, compensation, reward or recompense whatsoever will be paid or given to any person managing, operating or assisting therein except as in this title otherwise provided, then such clerk or department shall issue a license to the applicant for the conduct of games of chance upon payment of a license fee in an amount established by regulation of the commission for each license period.
 - (b) Issuance of licenses to authorized games of chance lessors. If such clerk or department determines:
 - (1) that the applicant seeking to lease premises for the conduct of games of chance to a games of chance licensee is duly qualified to be licensed under this title;
 - (2) that the applicant satisfies the requirements for an authorized organization as defined in section fifteen hundred of this article;
- 50 (3) that the applicant has filed its proposed rent for each license 51 period; and
 - (4) that such proposed rent is fair and reasonable;
- 53 (5) that the net proceeds from any rental will be devoted to the 54 lawful purposes of the applicant;
- 55 (6) that there is no diversion of the funds of the proposed lessee 56 from the lawful purposes as defined in this title; and

- (7) that such leasing of premises for the conduct of such games is to be in accordance with the provisions of this title, with the rules and regulations of the commission and applicable local laws and ordinances, then such clerk or department shall issue a license permitting the applicant to lease said premises for the conduct of such games to the games of chance licensee or licensees specified in the application during the period therein specified or such shorter period as such clerk or department determines, but not to exceed twelve license periods during a calendar year, upon payment of a license fee in an amount established by the regulations of the commission. Nothing herein shall be construed to require the applicant to be licensed under this title to conduct games of chance.
- (c) Issuance of license upon summary application. If, upon the basis of a summary application as prescribed under subdivision three of section fifteen hundred fifty-eight of this title, the clerk or department determines that the applicant is duly qualified to be licensed to conduct games of chance under this title, said clerk or department shall forthwith issue said license. In the event the clerk or department has reason to believe that the applicant is not so qualified the applicant shall be directed to file an application pursuant to subdivision one of section fifteen hundred fifty-eight of this title.
- 2. On or before the last day of each month, the treasurer of the municipality in which the licensed property is located shall transmit to the state comptroller a sum equal to fifty percent of all authorized games of chance lessor license fees and a sum established by regulation of the commission per license period for the conduct of games of chance collected by such clerk or department pursuant to this section during the preceding calendar month.
- 3. No license shall be issued under this section that is effective for a period of more than one year.
- § 1561. Hearing; amendment of license. 1. No application for the issuance of a license to conduct games of chance or lease premises to an authorized organization shall be denied by the clerk or department, until after a hearing, held on due notice to the applicant, at which the applicant shall be entitled to be heard upon the qualifications of the applicant and the merits of the application.
- 2. Any license issued under this title may be amended, upon application made to such clerk or department that issued it, if the subject matter of the proposed amendment could lawfully and properly have been included in the original license and upon payment of such additional license fee, if any, as would have been payable if it had been so included.
- § 1562. Form and contents of license; display of license. 1. Each license to conduct games of chance shall be in such form as shall be prescribed in the rules and regulations of the commission and shall contain:
- 47 (a) a statement of the name and address of the licensee, of the names
 48 and addresses of the members of the licensee under whom the games will
 49 be managed;
 - (b) a statement of the place or places where, and the date or dates and time or times when, such games are to be conducted;
 - (c) a statement of the purposes to which the entire net proceeds of such games are to be devoted;
- 54 (d) the name of each single type of game to be conducted under the 55 license and the number of merchandise wheels and raffles, if any, to be 56 operated; and



(e) any other information that may be required by the rules and regulations of the commission to be contained therein.

- 2. Each license issued for the conduct of any games shall be displayed conspicuously at the place where such games are to be conducted at all times during the conduct thereof.
- 3. Each license to lease premises for conducting games of chance shall be in such form as shall be prescribed in the rules and regulations of the commission and shall contain a statement of the name and address of the licensee and the address of the leased premises, the amount of permissible rent and any information that may be required by said rules and regulations to be contained therein, and each such license shall be conspicuously displayed upon such premises at all times during the conduct of games of chance.
- § 1563. Control and supervision; suspension of identification numbers and licenses; inspections of premises. 1. The municipal officer or department shall have and exercise rigid control and close supervision over all games of chance conducted under such license, to the end that the same are conducted fairly in accordance with the provisions of such license, the provisions of the rules and regulations promulgated by the commission and the provisions of this title. Such municipal officer or department and the commission shall have the power and the authority to suspend temporarily any license issued by the clerk or department and/or impose fines for violations not to exceed one thousand dollars. Temporary suspension of licenses shall be followed promptly by a hearing, and after notice and hearing, the clerk, department or the commission may suspend or revoke the same and declare the violator ineligible to apply for a license for a period not exceeding twelve months thereafter. Any fines tendered to the clerk, department or the commission shall not be paid from funds derived from the conduct of games of chance. The municipal officer and the department or the commission shall additionally have the right of entry, by their respective municipal officers and agents, at all times into any premises where any game of chance is being conducted or where it is intended that any such game shall be conducted, or where any equipment being used or intended to be used in the conduct thereof is found, for the purpose of inspecting the same. Upon suspension or revocation of any license or upon declaration of ineligibility to apply for a license, the commission may suspend or revoke the identification number issued pursuant to section fifteen hundred fifty-three of this title. An agent of the appropriate municipal officer or department shall make an on-site inspection during the conduct of all games of chance licensed pursuant to this title.
- 2. A municipality may, by local law or ordinance enacted pursuant to the provisions of section fifteen hundred fifty-two of this title, provide that the powers and duties set forth in subdivision one of this section shall be exercised by the chief law enforcement officer of the county. In the event a municipality exercises this option, the fees provided for by subdivision two of section fifteen hundred sixty-seven of this title shall be remitted to the chief fiscal officer of the county.
- 3. Service of alcoholic beverages. Subject to the applicable provisions of the alcoholic beverage control law, beer may be offered for sale during the conduct of games of chance on games of chance premises as such premises are defined in section fifteen hundred of this article; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to limit the offering for sale of any other alcoholic beverage in areas other than the games of chance premises or the sale of any other alcoholic

holic beverage in premises where only the games of chance known as bell jars or raffles are conducted.

- § 1564. Frequency of games. 1. No game or games of chance shall be conducted under any license issued under this title more often than twelve times in any calendar year. No particular premises shall be used for the conduct of games of chance on more than twenty-four license periods during any one calendar year.
- 2. Games of chance other than bell jars and raffles may be conducted at any time, unless the games of chance license provides otherwise. No license may restrict the times in which bell jars or raffles are conducted, subject to the limitations on the license period for such games set forth in subdivision eighteen of section fifteen hundred of this article.
- § 1565. Persons operating games; equipment; expenses; compensation. 1. No person shall operate any game of chance under any license issued under this title except a bona fide member of the authorized organization to which the license is issued, or a bona fide member of an organization or association that is an auxiliary to the licensee or a bona fide member of an organization or association of which such licensee is an auxiliary or a bona fide member of an organization or association that is affiliated with the licensee by being, with it, auxiliary to another organization or association. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the number of games of chance licensees for whom such persons may operate games of chance nor to prevent non-members from assisting the licensee in any activity other than managing or operating games. For the purpose of the sale of tickets for the game of raffle, the term "operate" shall not include the sale of such tickets by persons of lineal or collateral consanguinity to members of an authorized organization licensed to conduct a raffle.
- 2. No game of chance shall be conducted with any equipment except such as shall be owned or leased by the authorized organization so licensed or used without payment of any compensation therefor by the licensee. However, in no event shall bell jar tickets be transferred from one authorized organization to another, with or without payment of any compensation thereof.
 - 3. The head or heads of the authorized organization shall upon request certify, under oath, that the persons operating any game of chance are bona fide members of such authorized organization, auxiliary or affiliated organization.
 - 4. Upon request by a municipal officer or the department any such person involved in such games of chance shall certify that he or she has no criminal record or shall disclose previous criminal offenses for consideration of the factors set forth in section seven hundred fifty-three of the correction law.
- 5. No items of expense shall be incurred or paid in connection with the conducting of any game of chance pursuant to any license issued under this title except those that are reasonable and are necessarily expended for games of chance supplies and equipment, prizes, security personnel, stated rental if any, bookkeeping or accounting services according to a schedule of compensation prescribed by the commission, janitorial services and utility supplies if any, and license fees, and the cost of bus transportation, if authorized by such clerk or department.
- 54 6. No commission, salary, compensation, reward or recompense shall be 55 paid or given to any person for the sale or assisting with the sale of 56 raffle tickets.



- 1 § 1566. Charge for admission and participation; amount of prizes; 2 award of prizes. 1. A fee may be charged by any licensee for admission 3 to any game or games of chance conducted under any license issued under 4 this title. The clerk or department may in its discretion fix a minimum 5 fee.
 - 2. With the exception of bell jars, coin boards, seal cards, merchandise boards and raffles, every winner shall be determined and every prize shall be awarded and delivered within the same calendar day as that upon which the game was played.
 - 3. A player may purchase a chance with cash or, if the authorized organization wishes, with a personal check, credit card or debit card.
 - § 1567. Statement of receipts and expenses; additional license fees. 1. Within seven days after the conclusion of any license period other than a license period for a raffle, or as otherwise prescribed by the commission, the authorized organization that conducted the same, and its members who were in charge thereof, and when applicable the authorized games of chance lessor that rented its premises therefor, shall each furnish to the clerk or department a statement subscribed by the member in charge and affirmed by him or her as true, under the penalties of perjury, showing the amount of the gross receipts derived therefrom and each item of expense incurred, or paid, and each item of expenditure made or to be made other than prizes, the name and address of each person to whom each such item of expense has been paid, or is to be paid, with a detailed description of the merchandise purchased or the services rendered therefor, the net proceeds derived from the conduct of games of chance during such license period, and the use to which such proceeds have been or are to be applied. It shall be the duty of each licensee to maintain and keep such books and records as may be necessary to substantiate the particulars of each such statement.
 - 2. Within thirty days after the conclusion of an occasion during which a raffle was conducted, the authorized organization conducting such raffle and the members in charge of such raffle, and, when applicable, the authorized games of chance lessor that rented its premises therefor, shall each furnish to the clerk or department a statement on a form prescribed by the commission, subscribed by the member in charge and affirmed by him or her as true, under the penalties of perjury, showing:
 - (a) the number of tickets printed;
 - (b) the number of tickets sold;

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- (c) the price and the number of tickets returned to or retained by the authorized organization as unsold;
- (d) a description and statement of the fair market value for each prize actually awarded;
 - (e) the amount of the gross receipts derived therefrom;
 - (f) each item of expenditure made or to be made other than prizes;
- (g) the name and address of each person to whom each such item of expense has been paid, or is to be paid;
- (h) a detailed description of the merchandise purchased or the services rendered therefor;
 - (i) the net proceeds derived from the raffle at such occasion; and
- (j) the use to which the proceeds have been or are to be applied. It shall be the duty of each licensee to maintain and keep such books and records as may be necessary to substantiate the particulars of each such statement, provided, however, where the cumulative net proceeds or net profits derived from the conduct of a raffle or raffles are less than thirty thousand dollars during any one occasion, in such case, the reporting requirement shall be satisfied by the filing within thirty

days of the conclusion of such occasion a verified statement prescribed by the commission attesting to the amount of such net proceeds or net profits and the distribution thereof for lawful purposes with the clerk or department and a copy with the commission, and provided further, however, where the cumulative net proceeds derived from the conduct of a raffle or raffles are less than five thousand dollars during any one occasion and less than thirty thousand dollars during one calendar year, no reporting shall be required.

- 3. Any authorized organization required to file an annual report with the secretary of state pursuant to article seven-A of the executive law or the attorney general pursuant to article eight of the estates, powers and trusts law shall include with such annual report a copy of the statement required to be filed with the clerk or department pursuant to subdivision one or two of this section.
- 4. Upon the filing of such statement of receipts pursuant to subdivision one or two of this section, the authorized organization furnishing the same shall pay to the clerk or department as and for an additional license fee a sum based upon the reported net proceeds, if any, for the license period, or in the case of raffles, for the occasion covered by such statement and determined in accordance with such schedule as shall be established from time to time by the commission to defray the actual cost to municipalities or counties of administering the provisions of this title, but such additional license fee shall not exceed five percent of the net proceeds for such license period. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the net proceeds from the sale of bell jar tickets. No fee shall be required where the net proceeds or net profits derived from the conduct of a raffle or raffles are less than thirty thousand dollars during any one occasion.
- § 1568. Examination of books and records; examination of officers and employees; disclosure of information. The clerk or department and the commission shall have power to examine or cause to be examined the books and records of:
- 1. any authorized organization that is or has been licensed to conduct games of chance, so far as they may relate to games of chance, including the maintenance, control and disposition of net proceeds derived from games of chance or from the use of its premises for games of chance, and to examine any manager, officer, director, agent, member or employee thereof under oath in relation to the conduct of any such game under any such license, the use of its premises for games of chance, or the disposition of net proceeds derived from games of chance, as the case may be; or
- 2. any authorized games of chance lessor, so far as such books and records may relate to leasing premises for games of chance, and to examine such lessor or any manager, officer, director, agent or employee thereof under oath in relation to such leasing. Any information so received shall not be disclosed except so far as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this title.
- § 1569. Appeals for the decision of a municipal officer, clerk or department to the commission. Any applicant for, or holder of, any license issued or to be issued under this title aggrieved by any action of a municipal officer, clerk or department, to which such application has been made or by which such license has been issued, may appeal to the commission from the determination of said municipal officer, clerk or department by filing with such municipal officer, clerk or department a written notice of appeal within thirty days after the determination or action appealed from, and upon the hearing of such appeal, the evidence,

if any, taken before such municipal officer, clerk or department and any additional evidence may be produced and shall be considered in arriving at a determination of the matters in issue, and the action of the commission upon said appeal shall be binding upon such municipal officer, clerk or department and all parties to said appeal.

§ 1570. Exemption from prosecution. No person, firm, partnership, corporation or organization lawfully conducting, or participating in the conduct of, games of chance, or permitting the conduct upon any premises owned or leased by him, her or it under any license lawfully issued pursuant to this title, shall be liable to prosecution or conviction for violation of any provision of article two hundred twenty-five of the penal law or any other law or ordinance to the extent that such conduct is specifically authorized by this title, but this immunity shall not extend to any person or corporation knowingly conducting or participating in the conduct of games of chance under any license obtained by any false pretense or by any false statement made in any application for license or otherwise, or permitting the conduct upon any premises owned or leased by him, her or it of any game of chance conducted under any license known to him, her or it to have been obtained by any such false pretense or statement.

- § 1571. Offenses; forfeiture of license; ineligibility to apply for license. Any person, firm, partnership, corporation or organization who or that shall:
 - 1. make any material false statement in any application for any license authorized to be issued under this title;
 - 2. pay or receive, for the use of any premises for conducting games of chance, a rental in excess of the amount specified as the permissible rent in the license provided for in subdivision three of section fifteen hundred sixty-two of this title;
 - 3. fail to keep such books and records as shall fully and truly record all transactions connected with the conducting of games of chance or the leasing of premises to be used for the conduct of games of chance;
 - 4. falsify or make any false entry in any books or records so far as they relate in any manner to the conduct of games of chance, to the disposition of the proceeds thereof and to the application of the rents received by any authorized organization;
 - 5. divert or pay any portion of the net proceeds of any game of chance to any person, firm, partnership, corporation, except in furtherance of one or more of the lawful purposes defined in this title; shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall forfeit any license issued under this title and be ineligible to apply for a license under this title for at least one year thereafter.
 - § 1572. Unlawful games of chance. 1. Any person, association, corporation or organization holding, operating or conducting a game or games of chance is guilty of a misdemeanor, except when operating, holding or conducting:
 - (a) in accordance with a valid license issued pursuant to this title;
 - (b) on behalf of a bona fide organization of persons sixty years of age or over, commonly referred to as senior citizens, solely for the purpose of amusement and recreation of its members where:
- 51 (1) the organization has applied for and received an identification 52 number from the commission;
- 53 (2) no player or other person furnishes anything of value for the opportunity to participate;
 - (3) the prizes awarded or to be awarded are nominal;

(4) no person other than a bona fide active member of the organization participates in the conduct of the games; and

- (5) no person is paid for conducting or assisting in the conduct of the game or games; or
- (c) a raffle pursuant to section fifteen hundred fifty-nine of this title.
- 2. The provisions of this section shall apply to all municipalities within this state, including those municipalities where this title is inoperative.
- § 1573. Title inoperative until adopted by voters. Except as provided in section fifteen hundred seventy-two of this title, the provisions of this title shall remain inoperative in any municipality unless and until a proposition therefor submitted at a general or special election in such municipality shall be approved by a vote of the majority of the qualified electors in such municipality voting thereon.
- § 1574. Amendment and repeal of local laws and ordinances. Any such local law or ordinance may be amended, from time to time, or repealed by the common council or other local legislative body of the municipality that enacted it, by a two-thirds vote of such legislative body and such amendment or repeal, as the case may be, may be made effective and operative not earlier than thirty days following the effective date of the local law or ordinance effecting such amendment or repeal, as the case may be, and the approval of a majority of the electors of such municipality shall not be a condition prerequisite to the taking effect of such local law or ordinance.
- § 1575. Manufacturers of bell jars; reports and records. 1. Distribution; manufacturers. For business conducted in this state, manufacturers licensed by the commission to sell bell jar tickets shall sell such tickets only to distributors licensed by the commission. Manufacturers of bell jar tickets, seal cards, merchandise boards and coin boards may submit samples, artists' renderings or color photocopies of proposed bell jar tickets, seal cards, merchandise boards, coin boards, payout cards and flares for review and approval by the commission. Within thirty days of receipt of such sample or rendering, the commission shall approve or deny such bell jar tickets. Following approval of a rendering of a bell jar ticket, seal card, merchandise board or coin board by the commission, the manufacturer shall submit to the commission a sample of the printed bell jar ticket, seal card, merchandise board, coin board, payout card and flare for such game. Such sample shall be submitted prior to the sale of the game to any licensed distributor for resale in this state. For coin boards and merchandise boards, nothing herein shall require the submittal of actual coins or merchandise as part of the approval process. Any licensed manufacturer who willfully violates the provisions of this section shall:
- (a) upon such first offense, have its license suspended for a period of thirty days;
- (b) upon such second offense, participate in a hearing to be conducted by the commission, and surrender its license for such period as recommended by the commission; and
- (c) upon such third or subsequent offense, have its license suspended for a period of one year and shall be guilty of a class E felony. Any unlicensed manufacturer who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a class E felony.
- 54 <u>2. Bar codes. The manufacturer shall affix to the flare of each bell</u>
 55 jar game a bar code that provides all information prescribed by the
 56 commission and shall require that the bar code include the serial number

of the game the flare describes. A manufacturer shall also affix to the outside of the container or wrapping containing a deal of bell jar tick-ets a bar code providing all information prescribed by the commission and containing the same information as the bar code affixed to the flare. The commission may also prescribe additional bar code require-ments. No person may alter the bar code that appears on the flare or on the outside of the container or wrapping containing a deal of bell jar tickets. Possession of a deal of bell jar tickets that has a bar code different from the serial number of the deal inside the container or wrapping as evidenced on the flare is prima facie evidence that the possessor has altered the bar code on the container or wrapping.

3. Bell jar flares. (a) A manufacturer shall not ship or cause to be shipped into this state any deal of bell jar tickets that does not have its own individual flare as required for that deal by rule of the commission. A person other than a licensed manufacturer shall not manufacture, alter, modify or otherwise change a flare for a deal of bell jar tickets except as authorized by this title or rules and regulations promulgated by the commission.

(b) The flare for each deal of bell jar tickets sold by a manufacturer in this state shall be placed inside the wrapping of the deal that the flare describes.

- (c) The bar code affixed to the flare of each bell jar game shall bear the serial number of such game as prescribed by the commission.
- 24 (d) The flare of each bell jar game shall have affixed a bar code that 25 provides:
 - (1) the game code;

- (2) the serial number of the game;
- (3) the name of the manufacturer; and
- (4) other information the commission by rule may require.

The serial number included on the bar code shall be the same as the serial number of the tickets included in the deal. A manufacturer who manufactures a deal of bell jar tickets shall affix to the outside of the container or wrapping containing the bell jar tickets the same bar code that is affixed to the flare for that deal.

- (e) No person shall alter the bar code that appears on the outside of a container or wrapping containing a deal of bell jar tickets. Possession of a deal of bell jar tickets that has a bar code different from the bar code of the deal inside the container or wrapping is prima facie evidence that the possessor has altered the bar code on the box.
- 4. Reports of sales. A manufacturer who sells bell jar tickets for resale in this state shall file with the commission, on a form prescribed by the commission, a report of all bell jar tickets sold to distributors in the state. The report shall be filed quarterly on or before the twentieth day of the month succeeding the end of the quarter in which the sale was made. The commission may require that the report be submitted via electronic media or electronic data transfer.
- 5. Inspection. The commission may inspect the premises, books, records, and inventory of a manufacturer without notice during the normal business hours of the manufacturer.
- § 1576. Distributor of bell jars; reports and records. 1. Distribution; distributors. Any distributor licensed in accordance with section fifteen hundred fifty-five of this title to distribute bell jar tickets shall purchase bell jar tickets only from licensed manufacturers and may manufacture coin boards and merchandise boards only as authorized in subdivision two of this section. Licensed distributors of bell jar tickets shall sell such tickets only to not-for-profit, charitable or reli-

- gious organizations registered by the commission. Any licensed distributor who willfully violates the provisions of this section shall:
- (a) upon such first offense, have its license suspended for a period of thirty days;
- (b) upon such second offense, participate in a hearing to be conducted by the commission, and surrender its license for such period as recommended by the commission; and
- (c) upon such third or subsequent offense, have its license suspended for a period of one year and shall be guilty of a class E felony. Any unlicensed distributor who violates this section shall be guilty of a class E felony.
- 2. Coin boards and merchandise boards. Distributors of bell jar tickets may manufacture coin boards and merchandise boards only if such boards have been approved by the commission and have a bar code affixed to them setting forth all information required by the commission. Except that for coin boards and merchandise boards, delineation of the prize or prize value need not be included on the game ticket sold in conjunction with a coin board or merchandise board. In lieu of such requirement, the distributor shall be required to disclose the prize levels and the number of winners at each level and shall print clearly on the game ticket that a ticket holder may obtain the prize and prize value for each prize level by referencing the flare. Such coin boards shall be sold only by licensed distributors to licensed authorized organizations registered by the commission in accordance with the provisions of this title.
- 3. Business records. A distributor shall keep at each place of business complete and accurate records for that place of business, including itemized invoices of bell jar tickets held and purchased. The records must show the names and addresses of purchasers, the inventory at the close of each period for which a return is required, all bell jar tickets on hand and other pertinent papers and documents relating to the purchase, sale or disposition of bell jar tickets as may be required by the commission. Books, records, itemized invoices and other papers and documents required by this section shall be kept for a period of at least four years after the date of the documents, or the date of the entries appearing in the records, unless the commission authorizes in writing their destruction or disposal at an earlier date. A person who violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 4. Sales records. A distributor shall maintain a record of all bell jar tickets that it sells. The record shall include, but need not be limited to:
- 42 (a) the identity of the manufacturer from whom the distributor 43 purchased the product;
 - (b) the serial number of the product;
- 45 <u>(c) the name, address and license or exempt permit number of the</u> 46 <u>organization or person to which the sale was made;</u>
 - (d) the date of the sale;
 - (e) the name of the person who ordered the product;
 - (f) the name of the person who received the product;
 - (g) the type of product;

- (h) the serial number of the product;
- 52 <u>(i) the account number identifying the sale from the manufacturer to</u>
 53 <u>distributor and the account number identifying the sale from the</u>
 54 <u>distributor to the licensed organization; and</u>
- 55 (j) the name, form number or other identifying information for each 56 game.



- 5. Invoices. A distributor shall supply with each sale of a bell jar product an itemized invoice showing:
 - (a) the distributor's name and address;
 - (b) the purchaser's name, address, and license number;
 - (c) the date of the sale;

- 6 (d) the account number identifying the sale from the manufacturer to 7 distributor;
 - (e) the account number identifying the sale from the distributor to the licensed organization; and
- 10 (f) the description of the deals, including the form number, the seri-11 al number and the ideal gross from every deal of bell jar or similar 12 game.
 - 6. Reports. A distributor shall report quarterly to the commission, on a form prescribed by the commission, its sales of each type of bell jar deal or tickets. This report shall be filed quarterly on or before the twentieth day of the month succeeding the end of the quarter in which the sale was made. The commission may require that a distributor submit the quarterly report and invoices required by this section via electronic media or electronic data transfer.
- 7. The commission may inspect the premises, books, records and inventory of a distributor without notice during the normal business hours of the distributor.
 - 8. Certified physical inventory. The commission may, upon request, require a distributor to furnish a certified physical inventory of all bell jar tickets in stock. The inventory shall contain the information requested by the commission.
 - § 1577. Transfer restrictions. Not-for-profit, charitable or religious organizations authorized to sell bell jar tickets in accordance with this title shall purchase bell jar tickets only from distributors licensed by the commission. No not-for-profit, charitable or religious organization shall sell, donate or otherwise transfer bell jar tickets to any other not-for-profit, charitable or religious organization.
 - § 1578. Bell jars compliance and enforcement. 1. In the case of bell jars, the licensee, upon filing financial statements of bell jar operations, shall also tender to the commission a sum in the amount of five percent of the net proceeds from the sale of bell jar tickets, seal cards, merchandise boards and coin boards, if any, for that portion of license period covered by such statement.
 - 2. Unsold tickets of the bell jar deal shall be kept on file by the selling organization for inspection by the commission for a period of one year following the date upon which the relevant financial statement was received by the commission.
 - 3. One-half of one percent of the fee set forth in subdivision one of this section received from authorized volunteer fire companies shall be paid to the New York state emergency services revolving loan account established pursuant to section ninety-seven-pp of the state finance law.
- 4. The commission shall submit to the director of the division of the budget an annual plan that details the amount of money the commission deems necessary to maintain operations, compliance and enforcement of the provisions of this title and the collection of the license fee authorized by this section. Contingent upon the approval of the direc-tor of the division of the budget, the commission shall pay into an account, to be known as the bell jar collection account, under the joint custody of the comptroller and the commission, the total amount of license fees collected pursuant to this section. With the approval of

the director of the division of the budget, monies to be used to maintain the operations necessary to enforce the provisions of this title and the collection of the license fee imposed by this section shall be paid out of such account on the audit and warrant of the comptroller on vouchers certified or approved by the director of the division of the budget or the director's duly designated official. Those monies that are not used to maintain operations necessary to enforce the provisions of this title and the collection of the license fee authorized by this section shall be paid out of such amount on the audit and warrant of the state comptroller and shall be credited to the general fund.

§ 3. Section 129 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as added by section 1 of part A of chapter 60 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

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- § 129. Construction of other laws or provisions. Unless the context [shall require] requires otherwise, the terms "division of the lottery", "state quarter horse racing commission", "state racing commission", "state harness racing commission", "state racing and wagering board" or "board" wherever occurring in any of the provisions of this chapter or of any other law, or, in any official books, records, instruments, rules or papers, shall hereafter mean and refer to the state gaming commission created by section one hundred two of this article. The provisions of article three of this chapter shall be inapplicable to article two of this chapter; and the provisions of such article two shall be inapplicable to such article three, except that section two hundred thirty-one of such article two shall apply to such article three. Unless the context requires otherwise, any reference to "article 19-B of the executive law" wherever occurring in any law, or, in any official books, records, instruments, rules or papers, shall hereafter mean and refer to titles one and two of article fifteen of this chapter. Unless the context requires otherwise, any reference to "article 14-H of the general municipal law" wherever occurring in any law, or, in any official books, records, instruments, rules or papers, shall hereafter mean and refer to titles one and three of article fifteen of this chapter. Unless the context requires otherwise, any reference to "article 9-A of the general municipal law" wherever occurring in any law, or, in any official books, records, instruments, rules or papers, shall hereafter mean and refer to titles one and four of article fifteen of this chapter.
- § 4. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 2 of section 103 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as added by section 1 of part A of chapter 60 of the laws of 2012, is amended as follows:
- (b) Charitable gaming. The division of charitable gaming shall be responsible for the supervision and administration of the games of chance licensing law, bingo licensing law and bingo control law as prescribed by [articles nine-A and fourteen-H of the general municipal law and nineteen-B of the executive law] article fifteen of this chapter.
- § 5. Subdivision 1 and paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 151 of the social services law, subdivision 1 as amended and paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 as added by section 2 of part F of chapter 58 of the laws of 2014, are amended to read as follows:
- 1. Unauthorized transactions. Except as otherwise provided in subdivision two of this section, no person, firm, establishment, entity, or corporation (a) licensed under the provisions of the alcoholic beverage control law to sell liquor and/or wine at retail for off-premises consumption; (b) licensed to sell beer at wholesale and also authorized to sell beer at retail for off-premises consumption; (c) licensed or



authorized to conduct pari-mutuel wagering activity under the racing, 1 pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law; (d) licensed to participate in charitable gaming under [article fourteen-H of the general municipal] title three of article fifteen of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law; (e) licensed to participate in the operation of a video lottery facility under section one thousand six hundred seventeen-a of the tax law; (f) licensed to operate a gaming facility under section 7 [one thousand three] thirteen hundred eleven of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law; or (g) providing adult-oriented entertainment 10 in which performers disrobe or perform in an unclothed state for enter-11 tainment, or making available the venue in which performers disrobe or 12 perform in an unclothed state for entertainment, shall cash or accept 13 any public assistance check or electronic benefit transfer device issued by a public welfare official or department, or agent thereof, as and for 15 public assistance.

- (b) A violation of the provisions of subdivision one of this section by any person, corporation or entity licensed to operate a gaming facility under section one thousand three hundred eleven of the racing, parimutuel wagering and breeding law; licensed under section one thousand six hundred seventeen-a of the tax law to participate in the operation of a video lottery facility; licensed or authorized to conduct pari-mutuel wagering under the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law; or licensed to participate in charitable gaming under [article four-teen-H of the general municipal] title three of article fifteen of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, shall subject such person, corporation or entity to disciplinary action pursuant to section one hundred four of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law and section one thousand six hundred seven of the tax law, which may include revocation, cancellation or suspension of such license or authorization.
- § 6. Paragraph 3 of subdivision (c) of section 290 of the tax law, as amended by chapter 547 of the laws of 1987, is amended to read as follows:
 - (3) Any income derived from the conduct of games of chance or from rental of premises for the conduct of games of chance pursuant to a license granted under <u>title four of</u> article [nine-A of the general municipal] <u>fifteen of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding</u> law shall not be subject to tax under this article.
- 39 § 7. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall 40 have become a law.

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Section 1. Section 207 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as added by chapter 18 of the laws of 2008, paragraphs a, b and c of subdivision 1 as added by section 4, paragraph c of subdivision 1 as added by section 5 and subdivision 5 as added by section 6 of chapter 457 of the laws of 2012, and paragraph d of subdivision 1 as amended by section 1 of part C of chapter 73 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

§ 207. Board of directors of a franchised corporation. 1. a. The board of directors, to be called the New York racing association [reorganization] board, shall consist of [seventeen] <u>fifteen</u> members[, five of whom shall be elected by the present class A directors of The New York Racing Association, Inc., eight to be] <u>who shall have equal voting rights: six appointed by the governor[, two to] each of whom must be a</u>

resident of New York state, and one of whom shall be appointed [by] on the recommendation of the temporary president of the senate and [two to] one of whom shall be appointed [by] on the recommendation of the speaker of the assembly; eight appointed by the executive committee of the New York racing association reorganization board of directors constituted pursuant to chapter four hundred fifty-seven of the laws of two thousand twelve, which shall continue to exist until such time as the appointments required hereunder are made; and one who shall be the president and chief executive officer of the franchised corporation, ex officio and without term limitation. The New York racing association board shall have two ex officio, non-voting members: one appointed by the New York Thoroughbred Breeders, Inc., and one appointed by the New York thorough-bred horsemen's association representing at least fifty-one percent of the horsemen using the facilities of the franchised corporation. The New York racing association board may include additional ex officio, non-voting members as appointed pursuant to a majority vote of the board.

(i) The governor shall nominate a member to serve as chair <u>for an initial term of three years</u>, who shall serve at the pleasure of the <u>governor</u>, subject to confirmation by majority vote of the board [of directors. All non-ex officio members shall have equal voting rights]. <u>Thereafter</u>, the board shall elect its chair, who shall serve at the <u>pleasure of the board</u>, from among its members.

- (ii) The term of voting membership on the New York racing association board shall be three years. Individual appointees shall be limited to serving as a voting member the lesser of three terms or nine years. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the initial term of two members appointed by the governor and three members appointed by the New York racing association reorganization board shall expire March thirty-first, two thousand eighteen; the initial term of two members appointed by the New York racing association reorganization board and three members appointed by the governor shall expire on March thirty-first, two thousand nineteen; and the remaining members shall serve full three-year terms.
- (iii) In the event of a member vacancy occurring by death, resignation or otherwise, the respective appointing [officer or officers] authority shall appoint a successor who shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term. [A vacancy from the members appointed from the present board of The New York Racing Association, Inc., shall be filled by the remaining such members] In the case of vacancies among members appointed by the executive committee of the New York racing association reorganization board of directors constituted pursuant to chapter four hundred fifty-seven of the laws of two thousand twelve, appointments thereafter shall be made by the executive committee of the New York racing association board as constituted by the chapter of the laws of two thousand seventeen that amended this section.
- b. The franchised corporation shall establish a compensation committee to fix salary guidelines, such guidelines to be consistent with an operation of other first class thoroughbred racing operations in the United States; a finance and audit committee, to review annual operating and capital budgets for each of the three racetracks; a nominating and governance committee, to nominate any new directors to be designated by the franchised corporation to replace its existing directors and be responsible for all issues affecting the governance of the franchised corporation; an equine safety committee; a racing committee to address all issues related to racing operations; and an executive committee. Each of the compensation, finance, nominating and executive committees shall include at least one [of] public member from among the directors

appointed by the governor[, and the executive committee shall include at least one of the directors appointed by the temporary president of the senate and at least one of the directors appointed by the speaker of the assembly].

[b. In addition to these voting members, the board shall have two ex officio members to advise on critical economic and equine health concerns of the racing industry, one appointed by the New York Thoroughbred Breeders Inc., and one appointed by the New York thoroughbred horsemen's association (or such other entity as is certified and approved pursuant to section two hundred twenty-eight of this article).

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- c. All directors shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing 12 authority.]
 - c. Upon the effective date of this paragraph, the structure of the New <u>York racing association</u> board [of the franchised corporation] deemed to be incorporated within and made part of the certificate of incorporation of the franchised corporation, and no amendment to such certificate of incorporation shall be necessary to give effect to any such provision, and any provision contained within such certificate inconsistent in any manner shall be superseded by the provisions of this section. Such board shall, however, make appropriate conforming changes to all governing documents of the franchised corporation including but not limited to corporate by-laws. Following such conforming changes, amendments to the by-laws of the franchised corporation shall [only] be made only by unanimous vote of the board.
 - [d. The board, which shall become effective upon appointment of a majority of public members, shall terminate five years from its date of creation.]
 - 2. Members of the New York racing association board [of directors] shall serve without compensation for their services, but [publicly appointed members of the board] shall be entitled to reimbursement from the franchised corporation for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their [official] duties for the board.
 - 3. Members of the <u>New York racing association</u> board [of directors], except as otherwise provided by law, may engage in public or private employment, or in a profession or business, however no member shall have any direct or indirect economic interest in any video lottery gaming facility, excluding incidental benefits based on purses or awards won in the ordinary conduct of racing operations, or any direct or indirect interest in any development undertaken at the racetracks of the racing franchise.
 - The affirmative vote of a majority of members of the New York racing association board [of directors] shall be necessary for the transaction of any business or the exercise of any power or function of the franchised corporation. The franchised corporation may delegate on an annual basis to one or more of its members, or its officers, agents or employees, such powers and duties as it may deem proper.
 - 5. Each voting member of the New York racing association board [of directors] of the franchised corporation shall annually make a written disclosure to [the] such board of any interest held by the director, such director's spouse or unemancipated child, in any entity undertaking business in the racing or breeding industry. Such interest disclosure shall be promptly updated, in writing, in the event of any material change.
- 54 The New York racing association board shall establish parameters for the reporting and disclosure of such director interests.

6. Each voting member of the New York racing association board appointed by the executive committee of the New York racing association reorganization board of directors shall seek a racetrack management license issued by the gaming commission, any fees for which shall be waived by the commission. No voting member of the board required by the foregoing to seek a racetrack management license may vote on any board matter until such license is issued.

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- 7. For purposes of section two hundred twelve of this article, the establishment of The New York Racing Association, Inc. board of directors under this section shall not constitute the assumption of the franchise by a successor entity.
- § 2. Subparagraphs (ii), (iii), (vii) and (xvii) of paragraph a of subdivision 8 of section 212 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as added by chapter 18 of the laws of 2008, are amended, subparagraph (xviii) is renumbered subparagraph (xx) and two new subparagraphs (xviii) and (xix) are added to read as follows:
- (ii) monitor and enforce compliance with definitive documents that comprise the franchise agreement between the franchised corporation and the state of New York governing the franchised corporation's operation of thoroughbred racing and pari-mutuel wagering at the racetracks. The franchise agreement shall contain objective performance standards that shall allow contract review in a manner consistent with this chapter. The franchise oversight board shall notify the franchised corporation authorized by this chapter in writing of any material breach of the performance standards or repeated non-material breaches which the franchise oversight board may determine collectively constitute a material breach of the performance standards. Prior to taking any action against such franchised corporation, the franchise oversight board shall provide the franchised corporation with the reasonable opportunity to cure any material breach of the performance standards or repeated non-material breaches which the franchise oversight board may determine collectively constitute a material breach of the performance standards. Upon a written finding of a material breach of the performance standards or repeated non-material breaches which the franchise oversight board may determine collectively constitute a material breach of the performance standards, the franchise oversight board may recommend that the franchise agreement be terminated. The franchise oversight board shall refer such recommendation to the [racing and wagering board] commission for a hearing conducted pursuant to section two hundred forty-five of this article for a determination of whether to terminate the franchise agreement with the franchised corporation;
- (iii) oversee, monitor and review all significant transactions and operations of the franchised corporation authorized by this chapter; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be deemed to reduce, diminish or impede the authority of the [state racing and wagering board] commission to, pursuant to article one of this chapter, determine and enforce compliance by the franchised corporation with terms of racing laws and regulations. Such oversight shall include, but not be limited to:
- (A) review and make recommendations concerning the annual operating budgets of such franchised corporation;
- (B) review and make recommendations concerning operating revenues and the establishment of a financial plan;
- 54 (C) review and make recommendations concerning accounting, internal 55 control systems and security procedures;

(D) review such franchised corporation's revenue and expenditure [policies] policies which shall include collective bargaining agreements management and employee compensation plans, vendor contracts and capital improvement plans;

- (E) review such franchise corporation's compliance with the laws, rules and regulations applicable to its activities;
- (F) make recommendations for establishing model governance principles to improve accountability and transparency; and
- (G) receive, review, approve or disapprove capital expense plans submitted annually by the franchised corporation.
- (vii) review and provide any recommendations on all simulcasting contracts (buy and sell) that are also subject to prior approval of the [racing and wagering board] commission;

(xvii) request and accept the assistance of any state agency, including but not limited to, the [racing and wagering board, the division of the lottery] <u>commission</u>, office of parks, recreation and historic preservation, the department of environmental conservation and the department of taxation and finance, in obtaining information related to the franchised corporation's compliance with the terms of the franchise agreement; [and]

(xviii) when the franchise oversight board determines the financial position of the franchised corporation has deviated materially from the franchised corporation's financial plan, or other such related documents provided to the franchise oversight board, or when the implementation of such plan would, in the opinion of the franchise oversight board, pose a significant risk to the liquidity of the franchised corporation, in any order or combination:

- (A) hire, at the expense of the franchised corporation, an independent financial adviser to evaluate the financial position of the franchised corporation and report on such to the franchise oversight board; and
- (B) require the franchised corporation to submit for the franchise oversight board's approval a corrective action plan addressing any concerns identified as risks by the franchise oversight board.
- (xix) when the franchise oversight board finds the franchised corporation has experienced two consecutive years of material losses due to circumstances within the control of the franchised corporation, as determined by the franchise oversight board, the board may by majority vote request the director of the budget to impound and escrow racing supporting payments accruing to the benefit of the franchised corporation until the franchised corporation achieves the goals of a board-approved corrective action plan addressing concerns identified by the board. The director of the budget may, upon warrant of the franchise oversight board, approve the use of withheld racing support payments necessary to satisfy financial instruments used to fund board-approval capital investments.
- § 3. Section 203 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by chapter 18 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:
- § 203. Right to hold race meetings and races. 1. Any corporation formed under the provisions of this article, if so claimed in its certificate of organization, and if it shall comply with all the provisions of this article, and any other corporation entitled to the benefits and privileges of this article as hereinafter provided, shall have the power and the right to hold one or more running race meetings in each year, and to hold, maintain and conduct running races at such meetings. At such running race meetings the corporation, or the owners

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of horses engaged in such races, or others who are not participants in the race, may contribute purses, prizes, premiums or stakes to be contested for, but no person or persons other than the owner or owners of a horse or horses contesting in a race shall have any pecuniary interest in a purse, prize, premium or stake contested for in such race, or be entitled to or receive any portion thereof after such race is finished, and the whole of such purse, prize, premium or stake shall be allotted in accordance with the terms and conditions of such race. Races conducted by a franchised corporation shall be permitted only between sunrise and sunset.

- 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a franchised corporation shall be permitted to conduct races after sunset at the Belmont Park racetrack, but only if such races conclude before eleven o'clock post meridian. The franchised corporation shall coordinate with a harness racing association or corporation authorized to operate in Westchester county to ensure that the starting times of all such races are staggered.
- 3. A track first licensed after January first, nineteen hundred ninety, shall not conduct the simulcasting of thoroughbred races within district one, in accordance with article ten of this chapter on days that a franchised corporation is not conducting a race meeting. In no event shall thoroughbred races conducted by a track first licensed after January first, nineteen hundred ninety be conducted after eight o'clock post meridian.
- § 4. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (d) of subdivision 1 of section 238 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by section 2 of part BB of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- (i) The pari-mutuel tax rate authorized by paragraph (a) of this subdivision shall be effective so long as a franchised corporation notifies the gaming commission by August fifteenth of each year that such pari-mutuel tax rate is effective of its intent to conduct a race meeting at Aqueduct racetrack during the months of December, January, Febru-March and April. For purposes of this paragraph such race meeting shall consist of not less than ninety-five days of racing unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the New York Thoroughbred Breeders Inc., the New York thoroughbred horsemen's association (or such other entity as is certified and approved pursuant to section two hundred twentyeight of this article) and approved by the commission. Not later than May first of each year that such pari-mutuel tax rate is effective, the gaming commission shall determine whether a race meeting at Aqueduct racetrack consisted of the number of days as required by this paragraph. determining the number of race days, cancellation of a race day because of an act of God that the gaming commission approves or because of weather conditions that are unsafe or hazardous which the gaming commission approves shall not be construed as a failure to conduct a race day. Additionally, cancellation of a race day because of circumstances beyond the control of such franchised corporation for which the gaming commission gives approval shall not be construed as a failure to conduct a race day. If the gaming commission determines that the number of days of racing as required by this paragraph have not occurred then the pari-mutuel tax rate in paragraph (a) of this subdivision shall revert to the pari-mutuel tax rates in effect prior to January first, nineteen hundred ninety-five.
- § 5. This act shall take effect April 1, 2017; provided, however, that section one of this act shall take effect upon the appointment of a



1 majority of board members; provided, further, that the state franchise 2 oversight board shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission 3 upon the occurrence of such appointments in order that the commission 4 may maintain an accurate and timely effective data base of the official 5 text of the laws of the state of New York in furtherance of effectuating 6 the provisions of section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of 7 the public officers law; provided further that the amendments to section 8 212 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law made by section 9 two of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be 10 deemed repealed therewith.

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52 53 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 1003 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by section 1 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Any racing association or corporation or regional off-track betting corporation, authorized to conduct pari-mutuel wagering under this chapter, desiring to display the simulcast of horse races on which pari-mutuel betting shall be permitted in the manner and subject to the conditions provided for in this article may apply to the commission for a license so to do. Applications for licenses shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the commission and shall contain such information or other material or evidence as the commission may require. No license shall be issued by the commission authorizing the simulcast transmission of thoroughbred races from a track located in Suffolk county. The fee for such licenses shall be five hundred dollars per simulcast facility and for account wagering licensees that do not operate either a simulcast facility that is open to the public within the state of New York or a licensed racetrack within the state, twenty thousand dollars per year payable by the licensee to the commission for deposit into the general fund. Except as provided in this section, the commission shall not approve any application to conduct simulcasting into individual or group residences, homes or other areas for the purposes of or in connection with pari-mutuel wagering. The commission may approve simulcasting into residences, homes or other areas to be conducted jointly by one or more regional off-track betting corporations and one or more of the following: a franchised corporation, thoroughbred racing corporation or a harness racing corporation or association; provided (i) the simulcasting consists only of those races on which pari-mutuel betting is authorized by this chapter at one or more simulcast facilities for each of the contracting off-track betting corporations which shall include wagers made in accordance with section one thousand fifteen, one thousand sixteen and one thousand seventeen of this article; provided further that the contract provisions or other simulcast arrangements for such simulcast facility shall be no less favorable than those in effect on January first, two thousand five; (ii) that each off-track betting corporation having within its geographic boundaries such residences, homes or other areas technically capable of receiving the simulcast signal shall be a contracting party; (iii) the distribution of revenues shall be subject to contractual agreement of the parties except that statutory payments to non-contracting parties, if any, may not be reduced; provided, however, that nothing herein to the contrary shall prevent a track from televising its races on an irregular basis primarily for promotional or marketing purposes as found by the commission. For



purposes of this paragraph, the provisions of section one thousand thirteen of this article shall not apply. Any agreement authorizing an in-home simulcasting experiment commencing prior to May fifteenth, nineteen hundred ninety-five, may, and all its terms, be extended until June thirtieth, two thousand [seventeen] eighteen; provided, however, that any party to such agreement may elect to terminate such agreement upon 7 conveying written notice to all other parties of such agreement at least forty-five days prior to the effective date of the termination, via registered mail. Any party to an agreement receiving such notice of an intent to terminate, may request the commission to mediate between the 10 11 parties new terms and conditions in a replacement agreement between the parties as will permit continuation of an in-home experiment until June 13 thirtieth, two thousand [seventeen] eighteen; and (iv) no in-home simulcasting in the thoroughbred special betting district shall occur without the approval of the regional thoroughbred track.

§ 2. Subparagraph (iii) of paragraph d of subdivision 3 of section 1007 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by section 2 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

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(iii) Of the sums retained by a receiving track located in Westchester county on races received from a franchised corporation, for the period commencing January first, two thousand eight and continuing through June thirtieth, two thousand [seventeen] <u>eighteen</u>, the amount used exclusively for purses to be awarded at races conducted by such receiving track shall be computed as follows: of the sums so retained, two and one-half percent of the total pools. Such amount shall be increased or decreased in the amount of fifty percent of the difference in total commissions determined by comparing the total commissions available after July twenty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-five to the total commissions that would have been available to such track prior to July twenty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-five.

§ 3. The opening paragraph of subdivision 1 of section 1014 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by section 3 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

The provisions of this section shall govern the simulcasting of races conducted at thoroughbred tracks located in another state or country on any day during which a franchised corporation is conducting a race meeting in Saratoga county at Saratoga thoroughbred racetrack until June thirtieth, two thousand [seventeen] eighteen and on any day regardless of whether or not a franchised corporation is conducting a race meeting in Saratoga county at Saratoga thoroughbred racetrack after June thirtitwo thousand [seventeen] eighteen. On any day on which a franchised corporation has not scheduled a racing program but a thoroughbred racing corporation located within the state is conducting racing, off-track betting corporation branch office and every simulcasting facility licensed in accordance with section one thousand seven (that have entered into a written agreement with such facility's representative horsemen's organization, as approved by the commission), one thousand eight, or one thousand nine of this article shall be authorized to accept wagers and display the live simulcast signal from thoroughbred tracks located in another state or foreign country subject to the following provisions:

§ 4. Subdivision 1 of section 1015 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering 55 and breeding law, as amended by section 4 of part FF of chapter 60 of 56 the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:



1. The provisions of this section shall govern the simulcasting of races conducted at harness tracks located in another state or country during the period July first, nineteen hundred ninety-four through June thirtieth, two thousand [seventeen] <u>eighteen</u>. This section shall supersede all inconsistent provisions of this chapter.

 § 5. The opening paragraph of subdivision 1 of section 1016 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by section 5 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

The provisions of this section shall govern the simulcasting of races conducted at thoroughbred tracks located in another state or country on any day during which a franchised corporation is not conducting a race meeting in Saratoga county at Saratoga thoroughbred racetrack until June thirtieth, two thousand [seventeen] eighteen. Every off-track betting corporation branch office and every simulcasting facility licensed in accordance with section one thousand seven that have entered into a written agreement with such facility's representative horsemen's organization as approved by the commission, one thousand eight or one thousand nine of this article shall be authorized to accept wagers display the live full-card simulcast signal of thoroughbred tracks (which may include quarter horse or mixed meetings provided that all such wagering on such races shall be construed to be thoroughbred races) located in another state or foreign country, subject to the following provisions; provided, however, no such written agreement shall be required of a franchised corporation licensed in accordance with section one thousand seven of this article:

§ 6. The opening paragraph of section 1018 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by section 6 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, for the period July twenty-fifth, two thousand one through September eighth, two thousand [sixteen] seventeen, when a franchised corporation is conducting a race meeting within the state at Saratoga Race Course, every off-track betting corporation branch office and every simulcasting facility licensed in accordance with section one thousand seven (that has entered into a written agreement with such facility's representative horsemen's organization as approved by the commission), one thousand eight or one thousand nine of this article shall be authorized to accept wagers and display the live simulcast signal from thoroughbred tracks located in another state, provided that such facility shall accept wagers on races run at all in-state thoroughbred tracks which are conducting racing programs subject to the following provisions; provided, however, no such written agreement shall be required of a franchised corporation licensed in accordance with section one thousand seven of this article.

- § 7. Section 32 of chapter 281 of the laws of 1994, amending the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law and other laws relating to simulcasting, as amended by section 7 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- § 32. This act shall take effect immediately and the pari-mutuel tax reductions in section six of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed on July 1, [2017] 2018; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be deemed to affect the application, qualification, expiration, or repeal of any provision of law amended by any section of this act, and such provisions shall be applied or qualified or shall expire or be deemed repealed in the same manner, to the same extent and on the same date as the case may be as otherwise provided by

law; provided further, however, that sections twenty-three and twenty-five of this act shall remain in full force and effect only until May 1, 1997 and at such time shall be deemed to be repealed.

§ 8. Section 54 of chapter 346 of the laws of 1990, amending the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law and other laws relating to simulcasting and the imposition of certain taxes, as amended by section 8 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

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- § 54. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, sections three through twelve of this act shall take effect on January 1, 1991, and section 1013 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as added by section thirty-eight of this act, shall expire and be deemed repealed on July 1, [2017] 2018; and section eighteen of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2008 and sections fifty-one and fifty-two of this act shall take effect as of the same date as chapter 772 of the laws of 1989 took effect.
- § 9. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 238 of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, as amended by section 9 of part FF of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- 19 20 (a) The franchised corporation authorized under this chapter to 21 conduct pari-mutuel betting at a race meeting or races run thereat shall distribute all sums deposited in any pari-mutuel pool to the holders of winning tickets therein, provided such tickets be presented for payment before April first of the year following the year of their purchase, less an amount which shall be established and retained by such franchised corporation of between twelve to seventeen per centum of the 27 total deposits in pools resulting from on-track regular bets, and fourteen to twenty-one per centum of the total deposits in pools resulting 29 from on-track multiple bets and fifteen to twenty-five per centum of the 30 total deposits in pools resulting from on-track exotic bets and fifteen to thirty-six per centum of the total deposits in pools resulting from 31 on-track super exotic bets, plus the breaks. The retention rate to be 32 33 established is subject to the prior approval of the gaming commission. Such rate may not be changed more than once per calendar quarter to be effective on the first day of the calendar quarter. "Exotic bets" and "multiple bets" shall have the meanings set forth in section five hundred nineteen of this chapter. "Super exotic bets" shall have the meaning set forth in section three hundred one of this chapter. For 39 purposes of this section, a "pick six bet" shall mean a single bet or wager on the outcomes of six races. The breaks are hereby defined as the 41 odd cents over any multiple of five for payoffs greater than one dollar five cents but less than five dollars, over any multiple of ten for payoffs greater than five dollars but less than twenty-five dollars, 44 over any multiple of twenty-five for payoffs greater than twenty-five 45 dollars but less than two hundred fifty dollars, or over any multiple of fifty for payoffs over two hundred fifty dollars. Out of the amount so 47 retained there shall be paid by such franchised corporation to the commissioner of taxation and finance, as a reasonable tax by the state 48 for the privilege of conducting pari-mutuel betting on the races run at the race meetings held by such franchised corporation, the following percentages of the total pool for regular and multiple bets five per centum of regular bets and four per centum of multiple bets plus twenty per centum of the breaks; for exotic wagers seven and one-half per centum plus twenty per centum of the breaks, and for super exotic bets 55 seven and one-half per centum plus fifty per centum of the breaks. For the period June first, nineteen hundred ninety-five through September

1 ninth, nineteen hundred ninety-nine, such tax on regular wagers shall be three per centum and such tax on multiple wagers shall be two and onehalf per centum, plus twenty per centum of the breaks. For the period September tenth, nineteen hundred ninety-nine through March thirtyfirst, two thousand one, such tax on all wagers shall be two and sixtenths per centum and for the period April first, two thousand one through December thirty-first, two thousand [seventeen] eighteen, 7 tax on all wagers shall be one and six-tenths per centum, plus, in each such period, twenty per centum of the breaks. Payment to the New York state thoroughbred breeding and development fund by such franchised 10 11 corporation shall be one-half of one per centum of total daily on-track 12 pari-mutuel pools resulting from regular, multiple and exotic bets and 13 three per centum of super exotic bets provided, however, that for the period September tenth, nineteen hundred ninety-nine through March thirty-first, two thousand one, such payment shall be six-tenths of one per centum of regular, multiple and exotic pools and for the period April 17 first, two thousand one through December thirty-first, two thousand 18 [seventeen] eighteen, such payment shall be seven-tenths of one per 19 centum of such pools.

§ 10. This act shall take effect immediately.

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50 51 Section 1. Clause (F) of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph 1 of subdivision b of section 1612 of the tax law, as amended by section 1 of part EE of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(F) notwithstanding clauses (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) of this subparagraph, when a vendor track, is located in Sullivan county and within sixty miles from any gaming facility in a contiguous state such vendor fee shall, for a period of [nine] ten years commencing April first, two thousand eight, be at a rate of forty-one percent of the total revenue wagered at the vendor track after payout for prizes pursuant to this chapter, after which time such rate shall be as for all tracks in clause (C) of this subparagraph.

33 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to 34 have been in full force and effect on and after April 1, 2017.

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Section 1. Clause (H) of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph 1 of subdivision b of section 1612 of the tax law, as separately amended by section 1 of part GG and section 2 of part SS of chapter 60 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(H) notwithstanding clauses (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F) and (G) of this subparagraph, the track operator of a vendor track and in the case of Aqueduct, the video lottery terminal facility operator, shall be eligible for a vendor's capital award of up to four percent of the total revenue wagered at the vendor track after payout for prizes pursuant to this chapter, which shall be used exclusively for capital project investments to improve the facilities of the vendor track which promote or encourage increased attendance at the video lottery gaming facility including, but not limited to hotels, other lodging facilities, entertainment facilities, retail facilities, dining facilities, events arenas, parking garages and other improvements that enhance facility amenities; provided that such capital investments shall be approved by the division, in consultation with the state racing and wagering board,

1 and that such vendor track demonstrates that such capital expenditures will increase patronage at such vendor track's facilities and increase the amount of revenue generated to support state education programs. The annual amount of such vendor's capital awards that a vendor track shall be eligible to receive shall be limited to two million five hundred thousand dollars, except for Aqueduct racetrack, for which there shall be no annual limit, provided, however, that any such capital award for 7 the Aqueduct video lottery terminal facility operator shall be one percent of the total revenue wagered at the video lottery terminal facility after payout for prizes pursuant to this chapter until the 10 earlier of the designation of one thousand video lottery devices 11 hosted pursuant to paragraph four of subdivision a of section sixteen 13 hundred seventeen-a of this chapter or April first, two thousand nine-14 teen and shall then be four percent of the total revenue wagered at the video lottery terminal facility after payout for prizes pursuant to this 16 chapter, provided, further, that such capital award shall only be provided pursuant to an agreement with the operator to construct an 17 18 expansion of the facility, hotel, and convention and exhibition space 19 requiring a minimum capital investment of three hundred million dollars. 20 Except for tracks having less than one thousand one hundred video gaming 21 machines, and except for a vendor track located west of State Route 14 from Sodus Point to the Pennsylvania border within New York, and except 23 for Aqueduct racetrack each track operator shall be required to co-in-24 vest an amount of capital expenditure equal to its cumulative vendor's capital award. For all tracks, except for Aqueduct racetrack, the amount 26 of any vendor's capital award that is not used during any one year peri-27 od may be carried over into subsequent years ending before April first, 28 two thousand [seventeen] eighteen. Any amount attributable to a capital 29 expenditure approved prior to April first, two thousand [seventeen] 30 eighteen and completed before April first, two thousand [nineteen] twen-31 ty; or approved prior to April first, two thousand [twenty-one] twentytwo and completed before April first, two thousand [twenty-three] twen-32 33 ty-four for a vendor track located west of State Route 14 from Sodus Point to the Pennsylvania border within New York, shall be eligible to 35 receive the vendor's capital award. In the event that a vendor track's 36 capital expenditures, approved by the division prior to April first, two 37 thousand [seventeen] eighteen and completed prior to April first, two 38 thousand [nineteen] twenty, exceed the vendor track's cumulative capital 39 award during the five year period ending April first, two thousand 40 [seventeen] eighteen, the vendor shall continue to receive the capital 41 award after April first, two thousand [seventeen] eighteen until such 42 approved capital expenditures are paid to the vendor track subject to 43 any required co-investment. In no event shall any vendor track that 44 receives a vendor fee pursuant to clause (F) or (G) of this subparagraph 45 be eligible for a vendor's capital award under this section. Any operator of a vendor track which has received a vendor's capital award, choosing to divest the capital improvement toward which the award was 47 48 applied, prior to the full depreciation of the capital improvement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, shall reimburse the state in amounts equal to the total of any such awards. Any capital award not approved for a capital expenditure at a video lottery gaming facility by April first, two thousand [seventeen] eighteen shall be deposited into the state lottery fund for education aid; and

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§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

1 Section 1. Paragraph c of subdivision 3 of section 97-nnnn of the 2 state finance law, as added by chapter 174 of the laws of 2013, is 3 amended to read as follows:

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- c. ten percent of the moneys in such fund, as attributable to a specific licensed gaming facility, shall be appropriated or transferred from the commercial gaming revenue fund among counties within the region, as defined by section one thousand three hundred ten of the racing, pari-mutuel wagering and breeding law, hosting said facility for the purpose of real property tax relief and for education assistance. Such distribution shall be made among the counties on a per capita basis, subtracting the population of host municipality and county. Provided, however, such amount shall be reduced by one million four hundred thousand dollars in state fiscal year two thousand seventeen --- two thousand eighteen and by one million five hundred fifty thousand dollars every year thereafter. Such funds attributable to this reduction shall be transferred to the general fund and the reduction shall be distributed among such eligible counties proportional to total distributions during the fiscal year.
- § 2. Subdivision 3 of section 99-h of the state finance law, as amended by chapter 174 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. Moneys of the account, following the segregation of appropriations enacted by the legislature, shall be available for purposes including but not limited to: (a) reimbursements or payments to municipal governments that host tribal casinos pursuant to a tribal-state compact for costs incurred in connection with services provided to such casinos or arising as a result thereof, for economic development opportunities and job expansion programs authorized by the executive law; provided, however, that for any gaming facility located in the city of Buffalo, the city of Buffalo shall receive a minimum of twenty-five percent of the negotiated percentage of the net drop from electronic gaming devices the state receives pursuant to the compact, and provided further that for any gaming facility located in the city of Niagara Falls, county of Niagara a minimum of twenty-five percent of the negotiated percentage of the net drop from electronic gaming devices the state receives pursuant to the compact shall be distributed in accordance with subdivision four this section, and provided further that for any gaming facility located in the county or counties of Cattaraugus, Chautauqua or Allegathe municipal governments of the state hosting the facility shall collectively receive a minimum of twenty-five percent of the negotiated percentage of the net drop from electronic gaming devices the state receives pursuant to the compact; and provided further that pursuant to chapter five hundred ninety of the laws of two thousand four, a minimum of twenty-five percent of the revenues received by the state pursuant to the state's compact with the St. Regis Mohawk tribe shall be made available to the counties of Franklin and St. Lawrence, and affected towns in such counties. Each such county and its affected towns shall receive fifty percent of the moneys made available by the state; and provided further that the state shall annually make twenty-five percent of the negotiated percentage of the net drop from all gaming devices the state actually receives pursuant to the Oneida Settlement Agreement confirmed by section eleven of the executive law as available to the county of Oneida, and a sum of three and one-half million dollars to the county of Madison. Additionally, the state shall distribute for a period of nineteen and one-quarter years, an additional annual sum of two and one-half million dollars to the county of Oneida. Additionally, the state shall

distribute the one-time eleven million dollar payment received by the state pursuant to such agreement with the Oneida Nation of New York to the county of Madison by wire transfer upon receipt of such payment by the state; and (b) support and services of treatment programs for persons suffering from gambling addictions. Moneys not segregated for such purposes shall be transferred to the general fund for the support of government during the fiscal year in which they are received. Additionally, the state shall distribute an additional annual sum of two and one-quarter million dollars to a county in which a gaming facility is located but does not receive a percent of the negotiated percentage of the net drop from gaming devices the state receives pursuant to a compact.

§ 3. Subdivision 3-a of section 99-h of the state finance law, as amended by section 4 of part EE of chapter 59 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

- 3-a. Ten percent of any of the funds actually received by the state pursuant to the tribal-state compacts and agreements described in subdivision two of this section prior to the transfer of unsegregated moneys to the general fund required by such subdivision, shall be distributed to counties in each respective exclusivity zone provided they do not otherwise receive a share of said revenues pursuant to this section. Such distribution shall be made among such counties on a per capita basis, excluding the population of any municipality that receives a distribution pursuant to subdivision three of this section. Provided, however, such amount shall be reduced by six hundred thousand dollars in state fiscal year two thousand seventeen -- two thousand eighteen and by five hundred thousand dollars every year thereafter. The reduction shall be distributed among such eligible counties proportional to total distributions during the fiscal year.
- § 4. Paragraph b of subdivision 2 of section 54-1 of the state finance law, as amended by section 1 of part X of chapter 55 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:
- b. Within the amounts appropriated therefor, eligible municipalities shall receive an amount equal to seventy percent of the state aid payment received in the state fiscal year commencing April first, two thousand eight from an appropriation for aid to municipalities with video lottery gaming facilities. Provided, however, such amount shall be reduced by two hundred fifty thousand dollars in the state fiscal year commencing April first, two thousand seventeen and by two hundred thousand dollars every year thereafter. Such reduction shall be distributed among such eligible municipalities proportional to payments received by such eligible municipalities in the state fiscal year commencing April first, two thousand sixteen.
- § 5. This act shall take effect April 1, 2017 and shall expire and be deemed repealed March 31, 2020 notwithstanding section 2 of chapter 747 of the laws of 2006, as amended.
- § 2. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such invalid provisions had not been included herein.

1 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately provided, however, that 2 the applicable effective date of Parts A through RR of this act shall be 3 as specifically set forth in the last section of such Parts.