



ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: Oversight of budget measures related to developing needs in agriculture.

PURPOSE: To examine measures in the State Fiscal Year 2024-25 enacted budget that address current and developing needs in agriculture with a specific focus on dairy and seafood, along with emerging crops and products.

November 13, 2024

10:00 A.M.

Hearing Room B, Legislative Office Building

Albany, New York

ORAL TESTIMONY BY INVITATION ONLY

The Assembly Standing Committee on Agriculture oversees New York State's agriculture, food, animal protection, and other regulatory measures administered by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. The purpose of this hearing is to examine measures in the State Fiscal Year 2024-25 enacted budget that address current and developing needs in agriculture with a specific focus on dairy and seafood, along with emerging crops and products. Significant investments have been made in the dairy and budding aquaculture industries in New York State, but challenges remain. The Committee would like to review and receive feedback on the cultivation of specialty and emerging crops and products such as hops, barley for malting, and industrial hemp for fiber and grain.

Persons invited to present pertinent testimony to the Committees at the above hearing should complete and return the enclosed reply form as soon as possible. It is important that the reply form be fully completed and returned so that persons may be notified in the event of emergency postponement or cancellation.

Oral testimony will be limited to **five** minutes' duration. In preparing the order of witnesses, the Committees will attempt to accommodate individual requests to speak at particular times in view of special circumstances. These requests should be made on the attached reply form or communicated to Committee staff as early as possible.

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Donna A. Lupardo
Member of Assembly
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