



STATE OF NEW YORK
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
ALBANY 12224

VETO # 58

November 23, 2022

TO THE ASSEMBLY:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, the following bills:

Assembly Bill Number 340-B, entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to directing the New York state energy research and development authority to prepare a report regarding the replacement of decommissioned or dormant electric generating sites with renewable energy development and energy storage opportunities”

Assembly Bill Number 658-A, entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to establishing the problem gambling advisory council”

Assembly Bill Number 2185-A, entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to establishing a dyslexia and dysgraphia task force; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

Assembly Bill 4117 entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to declaring the goal of the state of New York to source reduce, reuse, recycle, or compost no less than eighty-five percent of the solid waste generated by the year 2032”

Assembly Bill 4535-A entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the insurance law, in relation to commuter van and ambulette or paratransit vehicles classification review”

Assembly Bill 4908 entitled:

“AN ACT to establish a task force to identify evidence-based and evidence informed solutions to reduce children's exposure to adverse childhood experience”

Assembly Bill 5557 entitled:

“AN ACT to establish a commission to be known as the "New York seawall study commission"; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

Assembly Bill 6430-B entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to creating the sickle cell disease detection and education program”

Assembly Bill 6710-B entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to establishing the commission of the deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing; to amend the social services law, in relation to requiring the commission of the deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing to transmit complaints in matters affecting the deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing communities to the vulnerable persons' central register; and to repeal section 559 of the executive law relating to the New York state interagency coordinating council for services to persons who are deaf, deaf-blind, or hard of hearing”

Assembly Bill 7230-B entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to establishing the primary care reform commission”

Assembly Bill 7357-A entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to establishing a pilot program to create an assistance hotline for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and complex behavioral needs”

Assembly Bill 8418-A entitled:

“AN ACT to require the New York state energy research and development authority to develop recommendations regarding the establishment of microgrids”

Assembly Bill 8881-A entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to establishing the office of hospice and palliative care access and quality”

Assembly Bill 9080-A entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to a study of the number of children in foster care who have a developmental disability”

Assembly Bill 9275 entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to establishing the New York state cryptocurrency and blockchain study task force; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

Assembly Bill 9298-A entitled:

“AN ACT to authorize and direct the commissioner of health to establish a portable diagnostics program”

Assembly Bill 9348 entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to establishing the fentanyl abuse and overdose prevention task force; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

Assembly Bill 9448-A entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to requiring the commissioner of taxation and finance to study the frequency of residents who are being assessed library taxes for more than one library and to make recommendations to prevent the double taxation of residents; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

Assembly Bill 9710 entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to conducting a study of public and private museums in New York state”

Assembly Bill 10139 entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to establishing a temporary commission to study aging in place in mental health housing; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

Assembly Bill 10189 entitled:

“AN ACT to direct the department of civil service to study certain airport-related titles”

Senate Bill 334-A entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to reports on short term crisis respite and intensive crisis respite programs”

Senate Bill 410-A entitled:

“AN ACT to establish a Minority Coordinating Council on Asthmatic Affairs”

Senate Bill 555-C entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the elder law, in relation to creating the office of older adult workforce development within the office for the aging”

Senate Bill 774-B entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to requiring the collection of certain demographic information by certain state agencies, boards and commissions”

Senate Bill 5031 entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to establishing the state parks passport program”

Senate Bill 5451-C entitled:

“AN ACT directing the department of public service to prepare a written report on the affordability of utility services”

Senate Bill 5676 entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to a review and recommendations of reimbursement adequacy and other matters relating to early intervention”

Senate Bill 5734-A entitled:

“AN ACT requiring a multi-agency study on the issues impacting the continuum of caregiving in the state of New York”

Senate Bill 6208-A entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to the development and posting of a senior trail guide that identifies walking and hiking opportunities for active seniors within the state park system and along public non-motorized multi-use trails within the state”

Senate Bill 6501-B entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to establishing the LGBTQ+ advisory board”

Senate Bill 7377 entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the mental hygiene law, in relation to establishing the statewide group home families working group”

Senate Bill 7429 entitled:

“AN ACT directing the commissioner of labor to conduct a comprehensive study on immigrant and refugee participation in adult education and the workforce; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

Senate Bill 7752 entitled:

“AN ACT directing the commissioner of mental health to establish a maternal mental health workgroup to study and issue recommendations related to maternal mental health and perinatal and postpartum mood and anxiety disorders; and providing for the repeal of such provision upon expiration thereof”

Senate Bill 8231-A entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to requiring the office of children and family services to submit an annual report about juvenile recidivism and cost of juvenile incarceration”

Senate Bill 9019 entitled:

“AN ACT in relation to establishing a Caumsett State Park fire readiness study”

Senate Bill 9086 entitled:

“AN ACT relating to assessing the staffing and other issues causing the continued displacement of individuals with developmental disabilities from various state-operated institutions under the jurisdiction of the office for people with developmental disabilities”

Senate Bill 9177-B entitled:

“AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to establishing the New York Asian American and Pacific Islander commission”

Senate Bill 9462 entitled:

“AN ACT establishing the special joint legislative commission on affordable housing; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof”

NOT APPROVED

These thirty-nine bills would establish various commissions and task forces touching nearly every aspect of state government. Several of the bills would require intensive studies and reports to be undertaken by state agencies and authorities. I share a strong interest in addressing the problems and issues identified in this legislation, and I commend the Legislature for seeking to address such a broad array of problems.

However, enactment of this package of legislation would collectively cost the State approximately forty million dollars. None of these costs are accounted for in the State Financial Plan. Without appropriate funding, these unbudgeted costs would create significant staffing and other programmatic burdens on state agencies. Additionally, because of the ongoing work of state agencies and authorities, a number of the proposals would result in duplication and unnecessary bureaucracy.

Many of the proposed studies, task forces and commissions are important to a wide-variety of stake holders and constituencies. Therefore, I am directing state agencies that have ongoing efforts or future plans to address the issues described in these bills to continue their efforts and to review and incorporate the goals in the legislation to the extent practicable. Where this is not the case, I am directing my office to work with state agencies to assess what components of the legislation can be implemented using resources already in their financial plans.

Because of the fiscal impact of this legislation, the proposals would be more appropriately considered in the context of the State budget process. Therefore, I am constrained to veto these bills.

These bills are disapproved.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Hochul". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.