

## STATE OF NEW YORK EXECUTIVE CHAMBER ALBANY 12224

VETO #76

December 13, 2024

TO THE ASSEMBLY:

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

Assembly Bill Number 5370, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to creating the health emergency response data system"

## NOT APPROVED

This legislation would require the Department of Health to create a health emergency response data system to collect and report to the public on information and data relating to public health emergencies and services available during such emergencies.

I recognize the importance of providing the public with necessary data and information during a public health emergency. For that reason, the Department of Health already utilizes a health emergency response data system and data collected during public health emergencies is publicly available through the Health Data NY website. The bill would be duplicative of these existing efforts, pose implementation challenges, and impose unbudgeted costs that are not accounted for in the State's financial plan.

Therefore, I am constrained to veto this bill.

The bill is disapproved.

Kathy Hochel