

# 2016 Report of the New York State Senate



## STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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Senator John J. Flanagan  
Majority Leader  
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Dear Majority Leader Flanagan:

I proudly present to you and our colleagues the following 2016 Report on our Senate Standing Committee on Local Government.

Having represented taxpayers at the Town and County levels of government before entering the State Senate, the opportunity to serve as Chair of the Senate's Local Government Committee is both an honor and a privilege. During our 2016 Legislative Session, our Local Government Committee continued its well-deserved reputation for collegiality, hard work, thoughtful, bi-partisan discussion and achieving real results. Our Senate Local Government Committee again served as a voice for New York State's local governments and the important work they do in serving and representing their respective communities, and citizens.

Without question, local governments—led by the dedicated, innovative, community-minded men and women who serve in them—are the originators of many good ideas and public policies. Our Senate Local Government Committee's many bi-partisan successes achieved throughout the 2016 Session reflect this fact. Many of the legislative initiatives considered by our Committee that successfully became State Law either originated from a local government or were initiated at a locality's home rule request and carried forward by a member of our State Senate.

Senate Local Government Committee legislative successes in 2016 included the following:

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**Senate Bill S.6731 (Ranzenhofer):** Amends general municipal law to allow school districts to purchase from an association of growers or producers of ten or fewer farm owners to make a purchase of \$25,000 or less without applying for permission from the Commissioner of Education. This encourages schools to purchase local food products and allows students access to healthier and fresher foods.

**Senate Bill S.7907 (Lanza):** Amends local finance law to provide a period of probable usefulness of intangible assets classified as capital assets. This is important in today's world of computer software and software licenses.

**Senate Bill S.1000D (Funke):** Amends the volunteer firefighters benefit law and the volunteer ambulance worker's benefit law to provide a \$200 increase (from \$400 to \$600) to the weekly payment for benefits paid to permanent totally disabled volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers. The weekly benefit had not been increased since 1998.

**Senate Bill S.5858B (Venditto):** Amends town law to provide that a fire district may sell or otherwise dispose of real and personal property no longer necessary to the district, as long as the proceeds are put towards a new apparatus and the sum of the value does not exceed \$50,000 (increased from \$10,000).

**Senate Bill S.7014 (Marchione):** Amends town law to allow members of fire departments that hold their annual meetings in December to be eligible for nomination for the office of chief or assistant chief regardless of whether or not they are residents of New York State. This provides parity to the law that previously only allowed this for departments that held their annual meeting in April. It is particularly helpful to fire departments that cover areas around the borders of New York State that have non-state resident members.

**Senate Bill S.2243 (Stewart-Cousins):** Amends the general municipal law to authorize not-for-profit corporations that provide a service to the county to make purchases or to contract for services through that county. This collaboration of the procurement of goods will minimize the cost of providing services.

**Senate Bill S.3538B (Marchione):** Amends general municipal law to clarify that cities, towns and villages have the authority to regulate limousines, livery and transportation network company vehicles (like Uber and Lyft) operating in their jurisdiction.\*

*\*While Governor Cuomo ultimately vetoed this bill, it successfully laid the groundwork for expected approval of ride sharing during the 2017 Legislative Session*

My thanks to you, and our colleagues, for the opportunity and privilege of continuing to lead our Senate Standing Committee on Local Government. I look forward to another productive Legislative Session as our Local Government Committee continues its focus on being responsive to the needs of local governments, communities, and taxpayers.

Sincerely,



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Chair, Senate Local Government Committee  
State Senator, 43<sup>rd</sup> District



## 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REPORT

# NEW YORK STATE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
Senator Kathleen A. Marchione, Chair

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILLS CHAPTERED INTO LAW IN 2016

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**CONSOLIDATION AND GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY**

**S2926B LAVALLE** – Authorizes the villages of Sag Harbor and East Hampton, county of Suffolk, to reduce speed limits in certain cases.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 11/14/16 as Chapter 426 of the Laws of 2016**

**S4338A SERINO** – Authorizes the county of Dutchess to regulate the registration and licensing of taxicabs, limousines, and livery vehicles.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 5/23/16*

**Signed into law 8/31/16 as Chapter 287 of the Laws of 2016**

**S4799D LAVALLE** – Grants authority to the village of Sag Harbor, county of Suffolk to regulate certain described waters bounding said village pursuant to the navigation law.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 362 of the Laws of 2016**

**S5301A BONACIC** – Authorizes the county of Ulster to regulate the registration and licensing of taxicabs, limousines, and livery vehicles.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/17/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 8/31/16 as Chapter 289 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6214 GOLDEN** – Relates to rent increase exemption orders.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/1/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 343 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Consolidation and Government Efficiency Continued

**S6546A BONACIC** – Relates to technical amendments to the assessment and payment of taxes on watershed and agricultural easements.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 11/28/16 as Chapter 483 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6731 RANZENHOFER** – Authorizes school district to order from certain farmers without requiring a waiver.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 5/24/16*

*Passed Assembly 5/23/16*

**Signed into law 6/8/16 as Chapter 62 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7016 VALESKY** – Relates to dissolving the Madison County Sewer District and transferring its assets, obligations and liabilities to the Town of Cazenovia.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused*

*Passed Senate 5/25/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 11/14/16 as Chapter 436 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7258A NOZZOLIO** – Waives the residency requirement for the code enforcement officer in the village of Aurora, Cayuga county.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/7/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 203 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7364A AKSHAR** – Authorizes the city of Binghamton to classify certain cooperative apartments as homestead properties.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 11/28/16 as Chapter 495 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7402 YOUNG** – Authorizes the town justice of the town of Allen, in the county Allegany, to be a nonresident of such town.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/6/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 8/23/16 as Chapter 282 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Consolidation and Government Efficiency Continued

**S7567 MARTINS** – Relates to village justices.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/6/16*

**Signed into law 8/19/16 as Chapter 259 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7602 LATIMER** –Authorizes the lease of advertising space on sports fields fences in the city of Rye, Westchester county.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/6/16*

**Signed into law 9/9/16 as Chapter 308 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7649 HANNON** – Extends from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2018, the expiration of certain provisions of the Nassau county administrative code relating to assessment and the review of assessments.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 6/30/16 as Chapter 81 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7671 VALESKY** – Relates to the Onondaga Lake Amphitheater Infrastructure and Revitalization Project act.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 5/25/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 218 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7699B SERINO** – Relates to waiving the residency requirement for the town board appointed officers in the town of LaGrange, Dutchess county.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/6/16*

**Signed into law 9/9/16 as Chapter 306 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7869 MARTINS** – Extends provisions relating to the disposal of surplus computer equipment by political subdivisions from July 1, 2016 until July 1, 2019.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 5/23/16*

**Signed into law 6/30/16 as Chapter 79 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Consolidation and Government Efficiency Continued

**S7907 LANZA** – Relates to providing a period of probable usefulness for an intangible asset classified as a capital asset.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/17/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 9/9/16 as Chapter 309 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7981A MARTINS** – Relates to the village of Plandome Manor entering into contracts to sell delinquent tax liens.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/17/16*

**Signed into law 8/19/16 as Chapter 280 of the Laws of 2016**

### **REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS**

**S4879C MARTINS** – Permits the Mandala Buddhist Association to file an application for certain real property tax exemptions.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused*

*Passed Senate 5/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 165 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6020A MARTINS** – Authorizes the Flower Hill Hose Company No. 1 to apply to the assessor of the county of Nassau for a retroactive real property tax exemption on a certain parcel of land.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 5/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/1/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 171 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6044B MARTINS** – Authorizes the Manhasset Park District to retroactively apply for a real property tax exemption for certain property in the hamlet of Manhasset, county of Nassau.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 2/29/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 172 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Real Property Tax Exemptions Continued

**S6361A CROCI** – Grants retroactive real property tax exempt status to the Lutheran Church of Our Savior Parish.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 122 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6447 BOYLE** – Authorizes Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Islip to file an application for retroactive tax exempt status.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 3/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/2/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 178 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6459 LAVALLE** – Authorizes Friends of Science East, Inc. to file an application for a real property tax exemption.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 3/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 179 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6627A CROCI** – Authorizes the House Of Judah Evangelistic Ministries Inc. to file an application for exemption from real property taxes for a certain parcel of land located in the town of Islip.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 3/7/16*

*Passed Assembly 5/23/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 183 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6688A MARTINS** – Relates to authorizing the village of Russell Gardens to file for a retroactive tax exemption.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 3/29/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 185 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6723A MARCELLINO** – Authorizes MiYaD Beis Jericho, Inc. to receive retroactive real property tax exempt status.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 115 of the Laws of 2016**



Chaptered – Real Property Tax Exemptions Continued

**S6739B BOYLE** – Authorizes the Iglesia De Dios De Brentwood, Inc. to file an application for exemption from real property taxes for a certain parcel of land located in the town of Islip.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 119 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6740 BOYLE** – Authorizes the New Hope International Ministries, Inc. to file an application for exemption from real property taxes for a certain parcel of land located in the town of Islip.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 3/22/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/2/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 186 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6860A BOYLE** – Authorizes Lucky Guys of Long Island Inc. to file an application for retroactive tax exempt status.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 4/5/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/2/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 191 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6995 MARTINS** – Authorizes the Jain Samaj of Long Island, Inc. to apply to the assessor of the county of Nassau for a retroactive real property tax exemption on a certain parcel of land.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused*

*Passed Senate 6/2/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 195 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7257A O'MARA** – Provides for an exemption for certain real property in certain counties.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 352 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7277A CARLUCCI** – Permits the New Hope Christian Church CRC to file an application for a real property tax exemption.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/6/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 204 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Real Property Tax Exemptions Continued

**S7371 CROCI** – Authorizes Lord-N-Fields Voice of Freedom Bible Church Community Workers International Inc. to file an application for exemption from real property taxes.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/2/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 208 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7702 SERINO** – Relates to a mixed use exemption program in certain villages.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/1/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 334 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7910A MARCELLINO** – Authorizes the Chabad Lubavitch Chai Center, Inc. to receive retroactive real property tax exempt status.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 225 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7911C MARCELLINO** – Authorizes the Congregation Lubavitch-Chabad House of Huntington Township, Inc. to receive retroactive real property tax exempt status.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 226 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7924 HASSELL-THOMPSON** – Authorizes the office of general services to sell certain state-owned land to the Montefiore Medical Center.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/17/16*

**Signed into law 9/9/16 as Chapter 324 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7926 O'MARA** – Authorizes St. Ann's Academy to file an application for certain real property tax exemptions.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 229 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Real Property Tax Exemptions Continued

**S7939 LAVALLE** – Authorizes the Peconic Land Trust to file an application for exemption from real property taxes for a certain parcel of land located in the town of Brookhaven.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 230 of the Laws of 2016**

**LAND AND PARKLAND**

**S5994A CROCI** – Relates to authorizing the town of Islip, in the county of Suffolk, to lease parklands to the Suffolk county police athletic league.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/7/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 170 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6756A RITCHIE** – Relates to authorizing the city of Fulton to discontinue its use of certain waterfront parklands.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/6/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 187 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6803A SERINO** – Authorizes the town of Hyde Park to convey easements over parkland for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a public water supply system.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused*

*Passed Senate 6/6/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 374 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7018A RITCHIE** – Relates to authorizing the village of Philadelphia to alienate and convey certain parcels of land used as parkland.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 197 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Land and Parkland Continued

**S7352A LITTLE** – Authorizes the village of Hudson Falls, in the county of Washington, to discontinue use of certain lands as parkland.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/8/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 8/19/16 as Chapter 275 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7497 CROCI** – Relates to authorizing the town of Brookhaven, in the county of Suffolk, to lease parklands to the Mastic, Moriches, Shirley Community Library.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/8/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 212 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7500A DEFRANCISCO** – Authorizes the village of Skaneateles, county of Onondaga, to convey its interest in Austin Park to the town of Skaneateles.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 213 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7557 BONACIC** – Relates to authorizing the town of Walton in the county of Delaware to alienate certain parcels of land used as parkland to Bruce Taylor and to acquire other parcels of land to replace such parkland.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/7/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 215 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7760 HASSELL-THOMPSON** – Authorizes the county of Westchester to alienate and convey certain parcels of land used as parkland.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 220 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7770B LAVALLE** – Relates to sales of certain property made to the Suffolk County Landbank Corporation.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 11/14/16 as Chapter 440 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Land and Parkland Continued

**S7773 LAVALLE** – Relates to the period of probable usefulness for the acquisition of land or permanent rights on land in the town of Riverhead.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/8/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 384 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7774B LAVALLE** – Authorizes the town of Brookhaven to transfer ownership of certain parklands to SMW Property Holdings LLC.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 221 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7874A FUNKE** – Authorizes the town of Irondequoit, in the county of Monroe, to lease parklands to T-Mobile Northeast LLC as successor in interest to Omnipoint Communications Incorporated.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/7/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 223 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7927 CROCI** – Provides for the use of certain property.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/17/16*

**Signed into law 9/30/16 as Chapter 395 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7999 MARTINS** – Alienates certain parklands in the village of Kings Point in the town of North Hempstead in the county of Nassau.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/8/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 232 of the Laws of 2016**

### **FIRE DISTRICTS, SERVICES, AND OFFICIALS**

**S1000D FUNKE** – Relates to permanent total disability benefits received by disabled volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers.

*Reported from Committee; 9 ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/17/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/9/16*

**Signed into law 11/4/16 as Chapter 401 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Fire Districts, Services, and Officials Continued

**S5858B VENDITTO** – Relates to the process of selling surplus fire equipment and vehicles.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 11/14/16 as Chapter 430 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6231 COMRIE** – Provides that people receiving a United States Postal Service disability pension are eligible to participate in the disability rent increase exemption program.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/2/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 9/30/16 as Chapter 392 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7014 MARCHIONE** – Relates to the powers and duties of fire district commissioners.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 3/15/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 351 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7179A GOLDEN** – Increases certain special accidental death benefits.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 347 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7588 GRIFFO** – Reduces the number of signatures required on a petition for a person to be placed on the ballot for election of a trustee of the Norwood Public Library.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 146 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7785A SERINO** – Relates to the Poughkeepsie public library.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 8/19/16 as Chapter 277 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Fire Districts, Services, and Officials Continued

**S7943 FLANAGAN** – Authorizes the town board of the town of Brookhaven to extend the Setauket fire district to include the village of Old Field.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/9/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 357 of the Laws of 2016**

**BONDS AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

**S321 LAVALLE** – Establish an underground utility improvement district in the town of East Hampton, county of Suffolk.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 9/30/16 as Chapter 389 of the Laws of 2016**

**S2243A STEWART-COUSINS** – Allows certain not-for-profits to make purchases through use of county contracts.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 360 of the Laws of 2016**

**S3689A LAVALLE** – Permits retail farm operations as an accessory use to agricultural lands pursuant to the Peconic Bay region community preservation fund.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 9/9/16 as Chapter 301 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6355 STEWART-COUSINS** – Relates to bonds and notes of the city of Yonkers.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 5/18/16*

*Passed Assembly 5/10/16*

**Signed into law 6/1/16 as Chapter 45 of the Laws of 2016**



Chapered – Bonds and Business Operations Continued

**S6549 GALLIVAN** – Extends provisions authorizing the county of Wyoming to impose a county recording tax on obligations secured by a mortgage on real property.

*Reported from Committee; 7 Ayes, 2 Nays*

*Passed Senate 6/7/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 7/21/16 as Chapter 182 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6788 GALLIVAN** – Relates to the sale of municipal obligations by the county of Erie.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 4/4/16*

*Passed Assembly 5/24/16*

**Signed into law 6/30/16 as Chapter 85 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6819 FARLEY** – Relates to eligibility of a Qualified Empire Zone Enterprise for real property tax credit for payments in lieu of taxes previously made for specified properties.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/6/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/8/16*

**Signed into law 11/14/16 as Chapter 435 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6821 RANZENHOFER** – Relates to the sale of bonds and notes of the city of Buffalo.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 5/3/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/2/16*

**Signed into law 6/30/16 as Chapter 86 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6869 FARLEY** – Relates to extending the existence of the Hamilton county industrial development agency until July 21, 2026.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Nay*

*Passed Senate 4/5/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 6/30/16 as Chapter 87 of the Laws of 2016**

**S6876 GRIFFO** – Relates to insurance reserve funds of certain school districts.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 5/18/16*

**Signed into law 11/4/16 as Chapter 414 of the Laws of 2016**



Chaptered – Bonds and Business Operations Continued

**S7325B GRIFFO** – Establishes an energy system tax stabilization reserve fund in the Lowville Central School District to lessen or prevent increases in the school district's real property tax levy.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/16/16*

**Signed into law 9/29/16 as Chapter 379 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7442 DEFRANCISCO** – Relates to certain recording taxes.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/17/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/17/16*

**Signed into law 9/30/16 as Chapter 394 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7514A ROBACH** – Authorizes the financing of and providing for a period of probable usefulness to the pre-payment of certain service contract obligations.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Signed into law 8/12/16 as Chapter 238 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7756 BONACIC** – Relates to insurance reserve funds of certain school districts.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/08/16*

**Signed into law 11/04/16 as Chapter 416 of the Laws of 2016**

**S7898A GRIFFO** – Relates to the effectiveness of payments in lieu of taxes made by certain entities for property located at One Nirvana Plaza, Forestport New York.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/17/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/14/16*

**Signed into law 11/04/16 as Chapter 419 of the Laws of 2016**

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#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILLS PASSED SENATE ONLY

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**S317 LAVALLE** – Authorizes certain towns in the Peconic Bay region to establish community housing opportunity funds.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 5/25/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S374 LAVALLE** – Authorizes villages to sell or lease advertising space on village property.

*Reported from Committee; 7 Ayes, 2 Ayes Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 5/23/16*

**S425 MARCELLINO** – Requires businesses that make payments in lieu of taxes to provide local governments and school districts with notice of their intention to change assessment.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 3/9/16*

**S605 HANNON** – Provides nonprofit organizations real property exemption, at local option, for those promptly applying that purchase after municipality's taxable status date.

*Reported from Committee; 7 Ayes, 2 Ayes Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 5/4/16*

**S888A AVELLA** – Establishes the payment of certain volunteer firefighter and volunteer ambulance worker death benefits shall be within ninety days of the filing of application to receive such death benefit.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 3/7/16*

**S893B AVELLA** – Relates to classifying properties held in condominium and cooperative form for assessment purposes as class one-a properties.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/8/16*

**S1024 DILAN** – Provides for giving of just compensation upon the taking of any billboard.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/15/16*

**S1026 LITTLE** – Authorizes the town board of any town, which does not have a fire district, to establish and operate a town fire department.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 5/24/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S1125B AVELLA** – Relates to the eligibility of j-51 tax abatements to reflect cost of living adjustments.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 5/23/16*

**S1245 MARTINS** – Authorizes the appointment of an additional acting village justice by villages.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused  
Passed Senate 6/14/16*

**S1257 MARTINS** – Expands the residential-commercial exemption program to include any municipality regardless of the population of the county in which it is located.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/16/16*

**S1533 LITTLE** – Authorizes educational institutions to agree to pay for all or a portion of the salaries and compensation payable to municipal school crossing guards.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/9/16*

**S1607 BONACIC** – Provides for notice with regard to annexation.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/6/16*

**S1633 BONACIC** – Allows for two or more counties to enter into a contract for the provision of a county jail.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/16/16*

**S1736 CARLUCCI** – Authorizes certain taxing jurisdictions to permit individuals to have real property taxes automatically deducted from such individual's bank accounts.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 5/24/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S1835B RITCHIE** – Exemption from taxation of structures and buildings essential to the operation of agricultural and horticultural lands.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 3/2/16*

**S2250 LARKIN** – Authorizes industrial development agencies to provide assistance to agricultural producers for products grown, harvested or produced within the state.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 2/29/16*

**S2259 LARKIN** – Removes that portion of the town of Chester in the service area of the Albert Wisner memorial public library from such library service area.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 2/29/16*

**S2295 GRIFFO** – Requires any state mandated program imposed on municipalities and school districts to be funded by the state.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Nay  
Passed Senate 6/6/16*

**S2332A DILAN** – Authorizes Overcoming Love Ministries to file an application for a real property tax exemption.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 2/29/16*

**S2917A DEFRANCISCO** – Authorizes the city of Syracuse to add unpaid housing code violation penalties, costs and fines to the city's annual tax levy.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused  
Passed Senate 6/7/16*

**S2928A LAVALLE** – Authorizes the town board of the town of East Hampton, county of Suffolk to regulate speed limits in such town.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/16/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S3017 YOUNG** – Authorizes boards of cooperative educational services to establish workers' compensation reserve funds.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/1/16*

**S3115 ORTT** – Authorizes the city of Niagara Falls, county of Niagara, to reduce the speed limit in downtown Niagara Falls.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 3/21/16*

**S3144A FUNKE** – Relates to requiring the state to fund certain programs mandated for municipal corporations and school districts.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation*

*Passed Senate 5/10/16*

**S3644A PANEPINTO** – Establishes a green development home tax exemption in certain counties.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 5/5/16*

**S3823B VENDITTO** – Authorizes the commissioner of general services to transfer and convey certain unappropriated state land to the village of Freeport.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/16/16*

**S3891 NOZZOLIO** – Expands the coverage to include cancer of the digestive, hematological, lymphatic, urinary, prostate, neurological, breast and reproductive systems.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 4/11/16*

**S3897A MARCHIONE** – Relates to use of official seals.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation*

*Passed Senate 5/24/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S4142 KLEIN** – Establishes the electronic open auction public bond sale pilot program for counties, cities, towns, villages and school districts.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 2/29/16*

**S4172 FELDER** – Authorizes Yeshiva Shareh Torah to file an application for real property tax exemption for certain assessment rolls.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

**S4229B KENNEDY** – Authorizes the city of Buffalo to add unpaid housing code violations to the city's annual tax levy.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 6/15/16*

**S4485 LAVALLE** – Requires department of transportation to defer to the town board of the town of Riverhead, requests for speed limit changes on town highways.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused*

*Passed Senate 5/3/16*

**S5013A ORTT** – Establishes a green development neighborhood tax exemption.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Passed Senate 5/23/16*

**S5014 MARCELLINO** – Relates to the assessment of certain village taxes in Nassau County.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/7/16*

**S5129 MARTINS** – Requires state contracts to contain specific indemnification language.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S5143A AVELLA** – Relates to the brownfield opportunity area program.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 5/5/16*

**S5424 CARLUCCI** – Authorizes certain municipalities to add unpaid housing code violation penalties, costs and fines to such municipality's annual tax levy.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 3/16/16*

**S5597 FLANAGAN** – Eliminates the expiration of and makes permanent provisions of law establishing the property tax cap.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/17/16*

**S5725 LANZA** – Prohibits sex offenders from operating automobiles participating in mobile application based transportation networks or being employed by such transportation networks.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 3/9/16*

**S5807A AVELLA** – Increased the average assessed valuation of certain multiple dwellings, buildings, or structure.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 5/24/16*

**S5834A FELDER** – Authorizes Congregation Ginze Yosef, in the borough of Brooklyn of the city of New York, to file a retroactive application for exemption from water and sewer charges for certain assessment rolls.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/15/16*

**S5845 MARCHIONE** – Relates to the redemption of real property subject to a delinquent tax lien.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 3/16/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S6042 LITTLE** – Eliminates the expiration of certain provisions of general municipal law, relating to granting localities greater contract flexibility to authorize shared purchasing.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/9/16*

**S6251A ORTT** – Requires certain training for coroners and coroner’s deputies.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 6/15/16*

**S6343 LITTLE** – Makes certain state lands in the town of Argyle, Ft. Edward and Kingsbury, in the county of Washington, subject to taxation for all purposes.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/14/16*

**S6362 CROCI** – Authorizes municipalities to offer real property tax credits to certain volunteers who live in one municipality but who serve in neighboring municipalities.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/9/16*

**S6431 MARCHIONE** – Requires multiple liens on farm property to be paid in chronological order, with the earliest lien being paid off first and the most recent being paid last.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 3/7/16*

**S6460 RANZENHOFER** – Relates to authorizing a residential redevelopment inhibited property exemption.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/14/16*

**S6685 MARTINS** – Authorizes Mahasi Satipatthana Meditation Center to file an application for exemption from real property taxes for certain assessment rolls.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 5/18/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S6696 SAVINO** – Authorizes Salt and Sea Mission Church, Inc. to file an application for exemption from real property taxes and water and sewer charges for certain assessment rolls.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 3/16/16*

**S6718 ORTT** – Renames the Robert Moses Parkway in Niagara County as the Niagara Scenic Parkway.

*Reported from Committee; 6 Ayes, 3 Ayes Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 3/8/16*

**S7163 MARTINS** – Permits the Islamic Center of Long Island to file an application for certain real property tax exemptions.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/1/16*

**S7255 MURPHY** – Reestablishes the town of Yorktown industrial development agency.

*Reported from Committee; 7 Ayes, 2 Ayes Without Recommendation  
Passed Senate 6/14/16*

**S7343 MONTGOMERY** – Authorizes Moses Jacobowitz Charitable Foundation, in the borough of Brooklyn of the city of New York, to file a retroactive application for exemption from water and sewer charges for certain assessment rolls.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/14/16*

**S7408A YOUNG** – Relates to the payment of salaries for certain district attorneys, and appropriates \$1,600,000 therefor.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/14/16*

**S7761 FARLEY** – Authorizes the county of Saratoga to transfer and convey reforested lands on Kinns Road to the town of Clifton Park, county of Saratoga.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/16/16*



Passed Senate Only Continued

**S7864A DEFRANCISCO** – Relates to participation in a public group self-insurer.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes  
Passed Senate 6/17/16*

**S7877 CROCI** –Relates to service award programs.

*Committee Discharged  
Passed Senate 6/9/16*

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILLS THIRD READING**

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**S3957B LAVALLE** – Creates the Peconic Bay regional transportation council.

*Committee Discharged*

**S4255 CARLUCCI** – Authorizes municipalities and districts to enter into cooperative agreements for the provision of centralized public employee administrative and personnel services.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation*

**S4752A AMEDORE** – Relates to certain certification required for eligibility for the real property tax exemption for persons with disabilities and limited incomes.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

**S5675 BRESLIN** – Authorizes the city of Troy to alienate and convey certain parcels of land used as parkland and to acquire other parcels of land to replace such parkland.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

**S6270A VENDITTO** – Authorizes the village of Amityville, county of Suffolk, to amortize the cost of payments to certain employees upon separation of service from the village.

*Reported from Committee; 7 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation, 1 Excused*

**S6273 LATIMER** – Relates to the purchase of farm products by municipalities.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*



Third Reading Continued

**S6873A MARCELLINO** – Authorizes the county of Suffolk to alienate certain parcels of land used as parkland and to acquire other parcels of land to replace such parkland.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

**S7031A AVELLA** – Relates to the creation and recognition of architectural districts.

*Reported from Committee; 7 Ayes, 2 Ayes Without Recommendation*

**S7441 MARTINS** – Relates to the disposal of surplus computer equipment by political subdivisions.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

**S7489 CROCI** – Relates to the computation of adjusted base proportions for tax assessment rolls.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

**S7539 KAMINSKY** – Relates to real property tax exemption for Congregation Gates of Prayer in the county of Nassau.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Aye Without Recommendation*

**S7586 DEFRANCISCO** – Authorizes municipalities to treat unpaid fines for building code and fire code violations as unpaid real property taxes.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

**S7635A CROCI** – Authorizes the alienation of certain parklands in the town of Islip, county of Suffolk.

*Committee Discharged*

**S7948 ROBACH** – Authorizes the town board of the city of Rochester, county of Monroe to regulate speed limits in such city.

*Committee Discharged*

**S7952B CARLUCCI** – Authorizes Congregation Divrei Chaim of Monsey to file an exemption for real property taxes.

*Committee Discharged*



Vetoed

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILLS VETOED**

**S1165 SERRANO** -- Authorizes a study on the high incidence of asthma in the borough of the Bronx in the city of New York and to prepare a remedial plan.

*Reported from Committee; 7 Ayes, 2 Ayes Without Recommendation*  
*Passed Senate 6/14/16* *Passed Assembly 6/15/16*  
**Vetoed 11/28/16**

**S2448A FARLEY** -- Relates to changes in health insurance contracts or plans for retired officers, employees, and their families.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*  
*Passed Senate 6/15/16* *Passed Assembly 6/15/16*  
**Vetoed 11/28/16**

**S3538B MARCHIONE** -- Authorizes the regulation of taxicabs, limousines, livery and transportation network company vehicles in certain municipalities.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*  
*Passed Senate 6/17/16* *Passed Assembly 6/17/16*  
**Vetoed 11/28/16**

**S4737 CARLUCCI** – Relates to the powers and duties of the receiver of taxes and assessments.

*Committee Discharged*  
*Passed Senate 6/9/16* *Passed Assembly 5/18/16*  
**Vetoed 11/28/16**

**S6609A RITCHIE** – Authorizes volunteer firefighters from other states to offer and provide their services to fire departments, districts and companies in this state.

*Reported from Committee; 8 Ayes, 1 Excused*  
*Passed Senate 6/15/16* *Passed Assembly 6/14/16*  
**Vetoed 11/28/16**

**S7603 AMEDORE** -- Relates to the transfer and conveyance of certain unappropriated state land to the county of Greene, in relation to using the land for a 911 emergency call center.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*  
*Passed Senate 6/8/16* *Passed Assembly 6/16/16*  
**Vetoed 11/28/16**



Vetoed Continued

**S7850 LARKIN** -- Relates to referrals of certain annexation petitions.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/17/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/15/16*

**Vetoed 9/29/16**

**S7959 LARKIN** -- Authorizes the village of Montgomery, in the county of Orange, to discontinue use of certain lands as parkland.

*Committee Discharged*

*Passed Senate 6/14/16*

*Passed Assembly 6/17/16*

**Vetoed 11/28/16**

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILLS ADVANCED TO A COMMITTEE OF SECOND REFERENCE**

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**S1914 LITTLE** – Provides that authorities having control of a fire department or fire company which provide emergency medical services may establish fees and charges for services.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Reported and Committed to Finance*

**S6341B DEFRANCISCO** – Requires state reimbursement to counties and cities in which a county is located of the full amount of expenditures for indigent legal services.

*Reported from Committee; 9 Ayes*

*Reported and Committed to Finance*

*Reported and Committed to Rules*

**S6629 RITCHIE** – Authorizes the state to forgive outstanding loan debt from the Oswego port authority.

*Reported from Committee; 6 Ayes, 3 Ayes without Recommendation*

*Reported and Committed to Finance*





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