

2026-27
Assembly Budget Proposal

INTRODUCTION

Section 54 of the Legislative Law requires, among other things, a “comprehensive, cumulative report” to be made available to Members of the Assembly prior to action on budget bills advanced by the Governor. The following *“Summary of the Assembly Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget”* is prepared by Ways and Means Committee staff and is intended to provide a concise presentation of all additions, deletions, re-estimates and policy changes that are provided in the Assembly proposal, embodied in Assembly Resolution E. 1034. The budget proposal of the Assembly Majority addresses each appropriation, as well as programmatic language that was first advanced in the Executive Budget.

**OVERVIEW OF ASSEMBLY BUDGET PROPOSAL
State Fiscal Year 2026-27**

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Table 1

| NYS Assembly Disbursements - Difference from Executive | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| (\$ in Millions) | | | | | |
| | SFY 2025-26 Close-Out | SFY 2026-27 Executive | SFY 2026-27 Assembly | \$ Difference | % Difference |
| General Funds | 126,295 | 127,844 | 130,029 | 2,185 | 1.7 |
| State Operating Funds | 148,813 | 158,900 | 161,550 | 2,650 | 1.7 |
| State Funds | 164,482 | 177,153 | 179,803 | 2,650 | 1.5 |
| All Funds | 258,270 | 262,716 | 271,964 | 9,248 | 3.5 |
| All Funds Adjusted* | 258,270 | 262,716 | 265,964 | 3,248 | 1.2 |

* Excluding Essential Plan

All Funds

The All Funds Budget serves as the State's most comprehensive financial measure, accounting for all restricted and unrestricted state funds alongside funds received from the Federal government.

The Assembly proposes an All Funds budget of nearly \$272 billion for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2026-27, which is \$9.2 billion or 3.5 percent over the Executive proposal. This increase is largely attributed to a \$6 billion increase in Federal Medicaid spending for the reactivation of the 1331 Basic Health Program, as well as expanded investments in School Aid, Higher Education, Human Services, and Local Government support. Excluding the reactivation of the 1331 Basic Health Program, the Assembly All Funds spending is projected to grow by 1.2 percent above the Executive.

The Assembly projects All Funds receipts at \$262.1 billion, which is \$7.4 billion higher than the Executive, and reflects a \$160 million or 0.1 percent reduction from SFY 2025-26 estimates. While this overall decline in revenue is mainly the result of a \$2.7 billion decrease in federal receipts, the Assembly financial plan assumes \$6.6 billion in federal receipts above the Executive, primarily due to the reactivation of the 1331 Basic Health Program mentioned above. The overall decrease is also partially offset by a projected \$2.5 billion increase in tax receipts.

State Funds

State Funds spending consists of the General Fund, Debt Service Funds, Capital Projects Funds and Other State Funds. State Funds spending under the Assembly proposal is projected to total

\$179.8 billion in SFY 2026-27, representing an increase of \$2.7 billion or 1.5 percent over the Executive's estimate, and an increase of \$15.3 billion over SFY 2025-26.

The Assembly projects State Funds receipts in SFY 2026-27 will total \$167 billion, an increase of \$756 million, or 0.5% over the Executive, and an increase of \$3.1 billion or 1.9 percent from SFY 2025-26.

State Operating Funds

The State Operating budget includes all State spending from the General Fund, State Special Revenue Funds, and Debt Service Funds. This measure excludes Capital Projects Funds and Federal spending. The Assembly proposal assumes State Operating Funds spending of \$161.6 billion, an increase of \$2.7 billion, or 1.7 percent over the Executive estimate, and an increase of \$12.7 billion or 8.6 percent over SFY 2025-26.

State Operating Fund receipts are estimated at \$153.4 billion, an increase of \$756 million or 0.5 percent over the Executive; and an increase of \$34 million from SFY 2025-26.

General Fund

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the State and accounts for all unrestricted tax revenue and other receipts not dedicated to a specific fund, program or activity. The General Fund receives monies from personal income taxes, sales and users taxes, business taxes, other taxes, miscellaneous receipts, and transfers from other funds.

The SFY 2026-27 Assembly Financial Plan proposal projects that General Fund spending will total \$130 billion. The proposed spending is \$2.2 billion, or 1.7 percent, over the Executive proposal. This increase is primarily attributed to Assembly investments in the following:

- Foundation Aid - Homelessness and English Language Learners;
- New York City Class Size Mandate;
- 3-Year-Old Pre-Kindergarten;
- Undergraduate Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) and Graduate TAP;
- Additional Temporary Municipal Assistance;
- Providing Parity for New York City in Cost Shares for TANF Public Assistance and Cap for Adult Homeless Shelter Costs Not Imposed on Other Municipalities.

The Assembly General Fund Spending represents an increase of \$3.7 billion or 3.0 percent from SFY 2025-26 estimated levels.

In SFY 2026-27, General Fund receipts are estimated to total nearly \$123.6 billion. The proposed Assembly receipts are \$2.2 billion or 1.8 percent above SFY 2025-26 estimates. The increase in General Fund receipts is primarily due to a projected \$3 billion growth in total tax receipts,

partially offset by a \$758 million decrease in transfers from other funds. General Fund receipts are also off set by a one percent personal income tax cut and \$2.6 billion in residential utility rebate checks.

Table 2

| Financial Plan Summary | | | |
|--|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| (\$ in Millions) | | | |
| | SFY 2025-26 | SFY 2026-27 | |
| | | Current Estimate | Executive Proposal |
| State Operating Funds Disbursements | | | |
| Size of Budget | 148,813 | 158,900 | 161,550 |
| Annual Growth | 11.3% | 6.78% | 8.6% |
| Other Budget Measure (Annual Growth) | | | |
| General Fund (Including Transfers) | 126,295 | 127,844 | 130,029 |
| Annual Growth | 16.2% | 1.2% | 3.0% |
| Capital Budget (Federal and State) | 18,299 | 21,832 | 21,832 |
| Annual Growth | 7.8% | 19.3% | 19.3% |
| Federal Operating Aid | 91,158 | 81,984 | 88,583 |
| Annual Growth | 0.3% | -10.1% | -2.8% |
| All Governmental Funds | 258,270 | 262,716 | 271,964 |
| Annual Growth | 7.0% | 1.7% | 5.3% |
| Adjusted All Governmental Funds* | 258,270 | 262,716 | 265,964 |
| Annual Growth | 7.0% | 1.7% | 3.0% |
| <i>*Excluding Essential Plan</i> | | | |
| Inflation (CPI) Growth | 2.7% | 3.1% | 3.0% |
| All Funds Receipts | | | |
| Taxes | 125,565 | 130,797 | 127,749 |
| Miscellaneous receipts | 39,982 | 39,368 | 40,018 |
| Federal grants | 97,072 | 87,735 | 94,334 |
| Total Receipts | 262,619 | 257,900 | 262,101 |
| General Fund Cash Balance | | | |
| Tax Stabilization/Rainy Day Reserves | 9,756 | 10,756 | 10,756 |
| Extraordinary Monetary Settlements | 392 | 25 | 25 |
| Economic Uncertainties | 4,847 | 3,847 | 3,847 |
| All Other Reserves/Fund Balances | 37,042 | 32,514 | 31,005 |
| Debt | | | |
| Debt Service (excluding prepayments) as % All Funds Receipts | 2.5% | 3.0% | 3.0% |
| State Related Debt Outstanding | 61,808 | 72,183 | 74,135 |
| Debt Outstanding as % Personal Income | 3.5% | 3.9% | 4.0% |

Assembly Actions on Executive Budget

The Assembly proposal is estimated to spend a net \$2.7 billion more than the Executive on a State Operating Funds basis, a 1.7 percent increase in total State Operating spending over the Executive Budget.

Table 3

| Financial Plan Summary | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| SFY 2026-27 | | | | |
| (\$ in Millions) | | | | |
| | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>State Operating Funds</u> | <u>State Funds</u> | <u>All Funds</u> |
| Executive Opening Balance | 52,037 | 63,086 | 62,134 | 70,499 |
| Assembly Opening Balance | 52,037 | 63,086 | 62,134 | 70,499 |
| EXECUTIVE RECEIPTS | 122,949 | 152,657 | 166,250 | 254,746 |
| <i>Tax Avails</i> | 4,052 | 4,052 | 4,052 | 4,052 |
| <i>Tax Cuts</i> | (4,746) | (4,746) | (4,746) | (4,746) |
| <i>Misc. Receipts/Fees</i> | 650 | 650 | 650 | 650 |
| <i>Sweeps</i> | (80) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| <i>Tax & Misc Rec Reestimates</i> | 800 | 800 | 800 | 800 |
| Federal | | | | 6,599 |
| Assembly Receipts | 123,625 | 153,413 | 167,006 | 262,101 |
| Change in Receipts | 676 | 756 | 756 | 7,355 |
| Executive Disbursements | 127,844 | 158,900 | 177,153 | 262,716 |
| <i>Spending Addition</i> | 4,530 | 5,013 | 5,013 | 11,777 |
| <i>Spending Reduction</i> | (2,345) | (2,362) | (2,362) | (2,528) |
| Assembly Disbursement | 130,029 | 161,551 | 179,804 | 271,965 |
| Change in Disbursements | 2,185 | 2,650 | 2,650 | 9,249 |
| Assembly Other Financing Changes | 0 | (2,545) | 2,195 | (1,173) |
| Assembly Change in Fund Balance | (6,404) | (10,683) | (10,603) | (11,038) |
| Assembly Closing Fund Balance | 45,633 | 52,404 | 51,531 | 59,461 |

As part of the revenue consensus process, the Assembly agreed to increase the two-year revenue forecast by \$800 million. The Assembly proposal includes various tax actions that increase net General Fund tax revenues by \$1 billion in SFY 2026-27 compared to the Executive proposal. These actions include providing a:

- 1 percent low- and moderate-income tax cut for certain taxpayers with incomes below \$323,200, which would provide \$2.1 billion in total tax relief in SFY 2026-27; and,
- a one-time rebate check for certain residential utility ratepayers with incomes below \$300,000 to help mitigate the rising costs of utility bills, which would provide \$2.6 billion in relief in SFY 2026-27 for approximately 5.4 million residential ratepayers.

Reserves

Table 4

| SFY 2026-27 Estimated General Fund Closing Balance | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|
| (\$ in Millions) | | |
| | Executive | Assembly |
| Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund | 1,618 | 1,618 |
| Statutory Rainy Day Reserve Fund | 9,138 | 9,138 |
| Contingency Reserve Fund | 21 | 21 |
| Community Projects Fund | 25 | 25 |
| Subtotal Statutory Reserves | 10,802 | 10,802 |
| Reserved for Timing of PIT/PTET Credits | 16,140 | 16,140 |
| Reserved for Debt Management | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Reserved for Labor Settlements/Agency Operations | 2,499 | 2,499 |
| Settlement Funds | 25 | 25 |
| Subtotal Budgetary Reserves | 19,664 | 19,664 |
| Reserved for Economic Uncertainty | 3,847 | 3,847 |
| Timing of Resources | 12,829 | 11,320 |
| Subtotal Undesignated Reserves | 16,676 | 15,167 |
| Total General Fund Closing Balance | 47,142 | 45,633 |

The Assembly Budget estimates a closing fund balance of \$45.6 billion in reserves at the end of SFY 2026-27, a \$1.5 billion decrease from the Executive proposal. This is primarily attributed to the use of the undesignated fund balance to finance state operations.

Appropriations Preamble Language

The Assembly does not include language in the preamble of the State Operations and Aid to Localities bills that would provide authority for the Division of Budget to:

- credit refunded amounts back to an original appropriation and reduce expenditures in the year the credit is received;
- require the Legislature to act on the Aid to Localities bill prior to the State Operations bill; and
- increase or decrease by interchange or transfer without limit, the amount of any state operations appropriations with any other appropriation of any department, agency or public authority.

The Assembly accepts a new inter-agency flexibility language on the preamble of the State Operations and Aid to Localities bills to safeguard the State fiscal stability against federal volatility. Designed to address potential administrative shifts at the federal level, this provision ensures the State Department of Education—and potentially other state agencies—can continue receiving federal funds even if the donor federal agency changes.

Sweeps and Transfers

The Assembly includes a provision in the "Sweeps and Transfers" bill to authorize up to a \$2.4 billion transfer from the general fund into a new Essential Plan contingency fund to maintain health care access if the federal government fails to approve New York's healthcare waiver transition by July 1, 2026.

The Assembly also includes a provision in the "Sweeps and Transfers" bill to authorize up to a \$80 million transfer from the general fund to the HCRA fund.

Table 5

| CASH FINANCIAL PLAN | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|
| ALL FUNDS | | | | |
| Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Assembly Plan 2026-27 | | | | |
| (\$ in millions) | | | | |
| | 2025-26 Estimated Closeout | 2026-27 Legislative Plan | Annual \$ Change | % Change from 25-26 to 26-27 |
| Opening fund balance | 73,696 | 70,499 | (3,197) | (4.3%) |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Taxes | 125,206 | 127,749 | 2,543 | 2.0% |
| Miscellaneous receipts | 39,982 | 40,018 | 36 | 0.1% |
| Federal grants | 97,072 | 94,334 | (2,739) | (2.8%) |
| Total Receipts | 262,260 | 262,101 | (160) | (0.1%) |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Local Assistances and Grants | 201,530 | 212,006 | 10,476 | 5.2% |
| State operations | 29,598 | 31,517 | 1,919 | 6.5% |
| General State charges | 12,134 | 12,816 | 682 | 5.6% |
| Debt service | 4,246 | 3,675 | (571) | (13.4%) |
| Capital projects | 10,762 | 11,950 | 1,188 | 11.0% |
| Total Disbursements | 258,270 | 271,964 | 13,694 | 5.3% |
| Other financing sources (uses) | | | | |
| Transfers from other funds | 65,805 | 65,309 | (496) | (0.8%) |
| Transfers to other funds | (73,259) | (66,754) | 6,505 | (8.9%) |
| Bond and note proceeds | 267 | 272 | 5 | 1.9% |
| Net other financing sources (uses) | (7,187) | (1,173) | 6,014 | (83.7%) |
| Change in fund balance | (3,197) | (11,037) | | |
| Closing fund balance | 70,499 | 59,462 | | |

Table 6

| CASH FINANCIAL PLAN STATE FUNDS Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Assembly Plan 2026-27 (\$ in millions) | | | | |
|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| | 2025-26 Estimated Closeout | 2026-27 Legislative Plan | Annual \$ Change | % Change from 25-26 to 26-27 |
| Opening fund balance | 66,245 | 62,134 | (4,111) | (6.2%) |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Taxes | 125,206 | 127,749 | 2,543 | 2.0% |
| Miscellaneous receipts | 38,615 | 39,209 | 594 | 1.5% |
| Federal grants | 52 | 48 | (4) | (7.7%) |
| Total Receipts | 163,873 | 167,006 | 3,133 | 1.9% |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Local Assistance and Grants | 112,793 | 125,494 | 12,701 | 11.3% |
| State operations | 26,696 | 28,441 | 1,745 | 6.5% |
| General State charges | 11,738 | 12,413 | 675 | 5.8% |
| Debt service | 4,246 | 3,675 | (571) | (13.4%) |
| Capital projects | 9,009 | 9,780 | 771 | 8.6% |
| Total Disbursements | 164,482 | 179,803 | 15,321 | 9.3% |
| Other financing sources (uses) | | | | |
| Transfers from other funds | 65,782 | 65,286 | (496) | (0.8%) |
| Transfers to other funds | (69,551) | (63,363) | 6,188 | (8.9%) |
| Bond and note proceeds | 267 | 272 | 5 | 1.9% |
| Net other financing sources (uses) | (3,502) | 2,195 | 5,697 | (162.7%) |
| Change in fund balance | (4,111) | (10,602) | | |
| Closing fund balance | 62,134 | 51,532 | | |

Table 7

| CASH FINANCIAL PLAN STATE OPERATING FUNDS Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Assembly Plan 2026-27 (\$ in millions) | | | | |
|--|---|---|-----------------------------|---|
| | 2025-26 Estimated Closeout | 2026-27 Legislative Plan | Annual \$ Change | % Change from 25-26 to 26-27 |
| Opening fund balance | 67,322 | 63,086 | (4,236) | (6.3%) |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Taxes | 123,752 | 126,315 | 2,563 | 2.1% |
| Miscellaneous receipts | 29,580 | 27,055 | (2,525) | (8.5%) |
| Federal grants | 47 | 43 | (4) | (8.5%) |
| Total Receipts | 153,379 | 153,413 | 34 | 0.0% |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Local Assistance | 106,133 | 117,021 | 10,888 | 10.3% |
| State operations | 26,696 | 28,441 | 1,745 | 6.5% |
| General State charges | 11,738 | 12,413 | 675 | 5.8% |
| Debt service | 4,246 | 3,675 | (571) | (13.4%) |
| Capital projects | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Total Disbursements | 148,813 | 161,550 | 12,737 | 8.56% |
| Other financing sources (uses) | | | | |
| Transfers from other funds | 59,951 | 60,169 | 218 | 0.4% |
| Transfers to other funds | (68,753) | (62,714) | 6,039 | (8.8%) |
| Bond and note proceeds | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Net other financing sources (uses) | (8,802) | (2,545) | 6,257 | (71.1%) |
| Change in fund balance | (4,236) | (10,682) | | |
| Closing fund balance | 63,086 | 52,404 | | |

Table 8

| CASH FINANCIAL PLAN GENERAL FUND Estimated 30-Day Closeout 2025-26 vs Assembly Plan 2026-27 (\$ in millions) | | | | |
|---|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| | 2025-26 Estimated Closeout | 2026-27 Legislative Plan | Annual \$ Change | % Change from 25-26 to 26-27 |
| Opening fund balance | 56,916 | 52,037 | (4,879) | (8.6%) |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Taxes | | | | |
| Personal Income Tax | 32,599 | 34,124 | 1,525 | 4.7% |
| User taxes and fees | 10,595 | 10,872 | 277 | 2.6% |
| Business taxes | 18,435 | 19,673 | 1,238 | 6.7% |
| Other taxes | 1,611 | 1,506 | (105) | (6.5%) |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | 4,391 | 4,423 | 32 | 0.7% |
| Federal grants | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Transfers from other funds | | | | |
| - PIT Revenue Bond | 30,176 | 32,300 | 2,124 | 7.0% |
| - PTET Revenue Bond | 9,235 | 7,400 | (1,835) | (19.9%) |
| - ECEP Revenue Bond | 9 | 10 | 1 | 11.1% |
| - LGAC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| -Sales Tax | 9,943 | 9,358 | (586) | (5.9%) |
| - RETT | 1,099 | 1,206 | 107 | 9.7% |
| - All other | 3,323 | 2,754 | (569) | (17.1%) |
| Total Receipts | 121,416 | 123,625 | 2,209 | 1.8% |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Local Assistance | 83,382 | 92,216 | 8,834 | 10.6% |
| State operations | 15,886 | 17,115 | 1,229 | 7.7% |
| General State charges | 10,204 | 10,989 | 785 | 7.7% |
| Transfers to other funds | | | | |
| - Debt service | 301 | 324 | 23 | 7.6% |
| - Capital projects | 5,347 | 4,644 | (703) | (13.1%) |
| - State Share Medicaid | | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| - SUNY Operations | 1,842 | 1,962 | 120 | 6.5% |
| - Other purposes | 9,333 | 2,779 | (6,554) | (70.2%) |
| Total Disbursements | 126,295 | 130,029 | 3,734 | 3.0% |
| Change in fund balance | (4,879) | (6,404) | | |
| Closing fund balance | 52,037 | 45,633 | | |

SFY 2026-27 Assembly Tax and Revenue Proposals

- **Part A – Enhance and Reform the Child and Dependent Care Credit:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to make various reforms to the State’s Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit by decoupling from the Federal Credit and replacing it with a standalone and simplified credit beginning in Tax Year 2026. The reformed structure would enhance the overall benefit and increase the credit’s progressivity, and limit eligibility to full-year residents.
- **Part B – Eliminate Income Taxes on Tipped Wages:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to exclude up to \$25,000 of qualified tips from New York adjusted gross income for certain taxpayers with incomes below \$150,000 (\$300,000 for joint filers), beginning in Tax Year 2026. This change aligns New York with recently enacted Federal tax changes included in H.R. 1.
- **Part C – Retain Deductibility of Certain Charitable Contributions:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to ensure contributions made to certain institutions that have lost their Federal tax-exempt status, but maintain New York State tax exemption status, remain tax deductible for New York State purposes.
- **Part D – Standardize the Definition of Farmer for Certain Tax Credits:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to amend the Tax Law to create a uniform definition of “eligible farmer,” for purposes of determining eligibility under the following farm-related tax credits, including: the Agricultural Property Tax Credit; the Farm Workforce Retention Credit; the Farm Employer Overtime Credit; and the Credit for Farm Donations to Food Pantries.
- **Part E – Extend the Temporary Article 9-A Tax Rates for Three Years:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the current 7.25 percent business income tax rate for corporate franchises with a business income base over \$5 million three years, through tax year 2029, by increasing the rate to 9.25 percent for businesses with an income base over \$10 million.
- **Part F – Decouple New York State from Certain H.R. 1 Provisions:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to decouple New York State law from certain recently enacted Federal tax law provisions relating to the tax treatment of research and experimental expenditures and the immediate expensing of certain qualified production property. This proposal would retroactively apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and would maintain \$1.7 billion in revenue in SFY 2026-27.

- **Part G – Decouple New York City from Certain H.R. 1 Provisions:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to decouple the New York City Administrative Code from recently enacted Federal tax law provisions relating to the tax treatment of research and experimental expenditures, the immediate expensing of certain qualified production property, certain business interest limitations, and certain equipment expensing limits. This proposal would retroactively apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and would maintain the City’s business tax base.
- **Part H – Intentionally Omitted.**
- **Part I – Extend the Commercial Security Tax Credit for Three Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Commercial Security Tax Credit for an additional three years, through 2028.
- **Part J – Enhance the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Tax Credit:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to increase the aggregate amount available for the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Tax Credit by \$150 million for productions with initial performances on or after December 1, 2025. This increase is necessary to accommodate new applicants since the current pool of \$400 million is fully committed.
- **Part K – Impose Tax on Alternative Nicotine Products:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to define and include “alternative nicotine product” within the definition of tobacco products, and impose the existing 75 percent wholesale tax on certain tobacco products on such “alternative nicotine products.” These products would include noncombustible products, other than vapor products, which contain nicotine but not tobacco and is intended for human consumption. Additionally, the proposal would direct an additional \$50 million in tobacco products tax revenue to HCRA beginning in SFY 2027-28.
- **Part L – Amend Vapor Products Taxation and Enhance Flavor Ban Enforcement:** The Assembly accepts the Executive’s proposal to impose a tax of \$0.55 per unit of vapor imported to or manufactured in the State by a vapor products distributor, in addition to the existing 20 percent tax imposed on the retail sale of vapor products and to authorize the Department of Tax and Finance to create a registry of vapor products that may be sold in the State, and require vapor product manufacturers to apply annually to have their products listed. However, the Assembly modifies the Executive provision to expand civil

and criminal penalties for vapor product tax violations, to more closely align such penalties with existing penalties for tobacco products.

- **Part M – Extend Reduced Transfer Tax Rates for Qualifying Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) for Three Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the tax rate reductions for REITs under the New York State and New York City Real Estate Transfer Tax for three years from September 1, 2026 to September 1, 2029. Finally, the proposal would prohibit depreciation tax and interest tax deductions from such homes, if purchased by covered entities.
- **Part N – Modify the Vendor Registration Program:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Department of Tax and Finance to begin a sales tax vendor re-registration program, which would be conducted in phases over four years and be completed by December 31, 2030. Additionally, the proposal would establish a sales and use tax penalty and interest discount program to incentivize sales tax vendors with outstanding debts to pay off their liabilities before the re-registration program begins. The program would grant a full penalty abatement and a 50 percent reduction to accrued interest for sales tax vendors who pay off their liabilities in full by December 31, 2026.
- **Part O – Establish a Sales Tax Exemption for Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to exempt from sales tax the retail sale of electricity sold to end users from commercial EV charging stations. Additionally, the proposal would clarify that the wholesale purchase of electricity by an operator of a commercial EV charging station will be subject to sales tax.
- **Part P – Extend the Sales Tax Vending Machine Exemption for Three Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing sales tax exemption for certain food and drink purchased from a vending machine for three years, through May 31, 2029.
- **Part Q – Extend the Residential Energy Storage Exemption for Two Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing residential energy storage tax exemption for two years, until June 1, 2028.
- **Part R – Amend the Petroleum Business Tax (PBT) Filing Deadline:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to require certain commercial vessel operators to file PBT returns on an annual basis, instead of monthly under current law.

- **Part S – Extend the Alternative Fuels Exemption for Five Years:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing full exemptions of E-85, compressed natural gas and hydrogen, and the partial exemption of B-20 from motor fuel, petroleum business and State and local sales tax, for an additional five years, until September 1, 2031.
- **Part T – Simplify the STAR Income Definition:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to make various technical changes to improve and streamline the administration of STAR exemptions and credits.
- **Part U – Extend the Telecommunications Assessment Ceiling Program:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the statewide telecommunications assessment ceiling program for four years.
- **Part V – Intentionally Omitted.**
- **Part W – Make Technical Amendments to Pari-Mutuel Tax Reform:** The Assembly accepts the Executives proposal to make various technical, conforming, and clean up amendments to the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law following actions taken in the SFY 2025-26 Enacted Budget.
- **Part X – Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain Off-Track Betting Corporation for One Year:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend Capital Off-Track Betting Corporation’s authorization to use Capital Acquisition Funds for alternative purposes by one year.
- **Part Y – Permanently Extend Certain Pari-Mutuel Tax and Simulcasting Provisions:** The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend certain current pari-mutuel tax rates and out of state simulcasting provisions, to extend these provisions for one year.
- **Part Z – Extend Certain Seasonal Employee Licensing Requirements:** The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing licensure exemptions for certain seasonal employees at Saratoga racetrack for additional race days occurring in 2026, by one year, to account for the final running of the Belmont Stakes at Saratoga in 2026.
- **Part AA – Provide a Middle Class Tax Cut and Increase Top Personal Income Tax (PIT) Rates:** The Assembly includes language to provide an immediate 1 percent tax cut for

certain taxpayers with incomes below \$323,200, and to increase PIT rates on taxpayers with incomes above \$5 million as follows:

- for taxpayers with incomes between \$5 million \$10 million, the rate would be increased from 10.3% to 10.5%;
 - for taxpayers with incomes between \$10 million and \$25 million, the rate would be increased from 10.3% to 10.75%;
 - for taxpayers with incomes between \$25 million and \$100 million, the rate would be increased from 10.9% to 11.75%; and
 - for taxpayers with incomes above \$100 million, the rate would be increased from 10.9% to 12%.
- **Part BB – Protecting Our Wallets Energy Rebate (P.O.W.E.R.) Checks:** The Assembly would provide a one-time \$2.6 billion rebate credit to assist New Yorkers with the rising cost of utility bills. Eligible residential rate payers with incomes below \$150,000 would receive a credit amount of \$500, and eligible residential rate payers with incomes between \$150,000 and \$300,000 would receive a credit amount of \$300. The credit would be provided as advanced payment in the Fall of 2026. Support for this initiative would come from various sources, including: a new crypto mining facility excise tax; a portion of excess profits from electric power producers; and, support from the State’s General Fund.
 - **Part CC – LIFT New York Tax Credit:** The Assembly includes language to establish a new personal income tax credit for certain low- and moderate-income New York taxpayers with at least one dependent. This new PIT credit would eliminate New York State PIT liability completely for certain taxpayers with incomes below the “eligibility threshold,” which would be calculated based on the number of taxpayer’s dependents. For taxpayers with dependents who exceed the eligibility threshold by \$5,000 or less, the credit amount would be calculated on a sliding scale.
 - **Part DD – Small Business Hardship Savings Accounts:** The Assembly includes language to allow qualified small businesses with fewer than 25 employees, to make contributions, up to 10 percent of net income, into a tax-deferred savings account. During times of specified economic hardship, these small businesses would be able to withdraw from the account tax-free for purposes of job retention or creation.

- **Part EE – Small Business Subtraction Modification:** The Assembly includes language to increase the current small business subtraction modification from 15 to 25 percent of net income.
- **Part FF – Tax Credit for Certain Food Donations Made to Qualified Community-Based Organizations:** The Assembly includes a proposal to establish a new tax credit for food service establishments that make donations to certain community-based organizations, including food pantries. The credit would be in an amount of up to \$10,000 per establishment, with an aggregate annual cap of \$10 million per year. The proposal would also establish a new tax credit for manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, and retailers primarily engaged in the distribution or sale of food in New York State. The credit would be in amount of up to \$50,000 per taxpayer, with an aggregate annual cap of \$15 million per year.
- **Part GG – Enhance the Farm Donation Tax Credit:** The Assembly includes a proposal to enhance the current tax credit for donations to food pantries made by farmers, by increasing the amount of the credit from 25 percent, to 50 percent, of the market value of the food donated. Additionally, the proposal would increase the maximum tax credit allowed from \$5,000 to \$20,000.
- **Part HH – Increase Maximum Credit under NYS Historic Homeownership Rehabilitation Credit:** The Assembly includes language to increase the maximum credit allowed under the Historic Homeownership Rehabilitation Tax Credit from \$25,000 per taxpayer, to \$50,000 per taxpayer, and include reporting language.
- **Part II – Establish an Excise Tax on Crypto mining Facilities:** The Assembly includes language to establish a tiered excise tax on energy used to power certain crypto mining facilities that use at least 2.25 million kilowatt-hours per year (kWh) of electricity and that use “proof-of-work” authentication methods. The tax rate would range from 2 cents per kilowatt-hour to 5 cents per kilowatt-hour.
- **Part JJ – Real Property Tax Surcharge on Vacant and Abandoned Property:** The Assembly includes a proposal to authorize cities within the State to impose a supplementary real property surcharge on certain vacant and abandoned property. The rate would be determined through a local law.

- **Part KK – Extend Sales Tax Exemption Related to the Dodd-Frank Protection Act:** The Assembly includes a proposal to extend certain sales tax exemptions for transfers of assets between financial institutions and their subsidiaries for three years.
- **Part LL – Sales Tax Exemption for Commercial Energy Storage:** The Assembly includes a proposal to authorize a State sales tax exemption for commercial energy storage and provides certain labor protections for such system projects receiving public funding or benefits. The Assembly remains interested in continuing to explore ways to address concerns related to the safety of siting such systems in very close proximity to homes.
- **Part MM – Repeal Medical Cannabis Excise Tax:** The Assembly includes language to repeal the existing 3.15 percent medical cannabis excise tax.
- **Part NN – Standardbred Drug Testing:** The Assembly includes language to provide for Standardbred drug testing.
- **Part OO – Reduce New York City Pass-Through Entity Tax (PTET) Rebate:** The Assembly includes a proposal to reduce the current 100 percent personal income tax rebate provided to New York City PTET taxpayers, to 75 percent.
- **Part PP – Increase Various New York City Business Taxes:** The Assembly includes a proposal to increase the New York City Business Corporation Tax for Financial Corporations and Non-Financial Corporations. The proposal also includes language to increase the New York City Unincorporated Business Tax for partnerships and LLCs with business income over \$5 million.
- **Part QQ – New York City Mansion Tax for Sales of High Value Properties:** The Assembly includes language to establish a new “mansion” tax for the sales of high value properties in New York City.

Executive Revenue Proposals that are not Included

- **Part H – Enact Pass-Through Entity Tax Flexibility:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the deadline for entities to elect in the Pass-Through-Entity-Tax (PTET) from March 15th to September 15th of the applicable tax year, and make conforming changes to estimated payment deadlines.
- **Part V – Expand and Extend the Rent Increase Exemption for Senior Citizens and People with Disabilities:** The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the

Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) and the Disability Rent Increase Exemption (DRIE) programs for an additional two years and increase their income eligibility thresholds. However, the Assembly supports efforts to ensure that programs, such as SCRIE and DRIE, continue to provide crucial benefits to seniors and people with disabilities as housing costs continue to increase.

Other Revenue Proposals

- The Assembly supports enhancing benefits under the Brownfield Tax Credit Program for certain economic development projects involving former mall locations that will result in mixed-use properties with designated affordable housing units, and looks forward to working with key stakeholders to effectuate such Program modifications.

State Fiscal Impact - Assembly Revenue Proposals
(\$ in Millions)

| Part | Proposal | FY 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 | FY 2030 |
|---|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| A | Enhance and Reform Child and Dependent Care Credit | - | (65) | (65) | (65) |
| B | Eliminate Income Taxes on Tipped Wages | (52) | (69) | (60) | (19) |
| C | Retain Deductibility of Certain Charitable Contributions | - | - | - | - |
| D | Standardize the Definition of Farmer for Certain Tax Credits | - | - | - | - |
| E | Extend the Temporary Article 9-A Tax Rates for Three Years and Increase Rates for High Earning Corporations | 1,932 | 2,784 | 3,000 | 3,468 |
| F | Decouple New York State from Certain H.R. 1 Provisions | 1,680 | 770 | 670 | 290 |
| G | Decouple New York City from Certain H.R. 1 Provisions | - | - | - | - |
| I | Extend the Commercial Security Tax Credit for Three Years | - | (5) | (5) | (5) |
| J | Enhance the New York City Musical and Theatrical Production Tax Credit | - | - | (100) | (50) |
| K | Impose Tax on Alternative Nicotine Products | 18 | 44 | 51 | 57 |
| L | Amend Vapor Products Taxation, Enhance Flavor Ban Enforcement, and Expand Civil and Criminal Penalties | - | - | - | - |
| M | Extend Reduced Transfer Tax Rates for Qualifying REITs for Three Years | - | - | - | - |
| N | Modify the Vendor Registration Program | 6 | 6 | 6 | - |
| O | Establish a Sales Tax Exemption for EV Charging Stations | - | - | - | - |
| P | Extend the Sales and Use Tax Vending Machine Exemption for Three Years | (8) | (10) | (10) | (2) |
| Q | Extend the Residential Energy Storage Exemption for Two Years | - | - | - | - |
| R | Amend the PBT Filing Deadline for Commercial Vessel Operators | - | - | - | - |
| S | Extend the Alternative Fuels Exemption for Five Years | - | (3) | (3) | (3) |
| T | Simplify the STAR Income Definition | - | - | - | - |
| U | Extend the Telecommunications Assessment Ceiling Program for Four Years | - | - | - | - |
| W | Make Technical Amendments to the Pari-Mutuel Tax Reform | - | - | - | - |
| X | Extend Authorized Use of Capital Funds by a Certain Off-Track Betting Corporation for One Year | - | - | - | - |
| Y | Extend Certain Pari-Mutuel Tax and Smulcasting Provisions by One Year | - | - | - | - |
| Z | Extend Certain Seasonal Employee Licensing Requirements | - | - | - | - |
| AA | Provide a Middle Class Tax Out and Increase Top Personal Income Tax Rates | (90) | (653) | 850 | 515 |
| BB | Protecting Our Wallets Energy Rebate (P.O.W.E.R.) Checks | (2,600) | - | - | - |
| CC | LIFT New York Tax Credit | - | (211) | (211) | (211) |
| DD | Small Business Hardship Savings Accounts | - | (100) | (100) | (100) |
| EE | Small Business Subtraction Modification | - | (67) | (67) | (67) |
| FF | Tax Credit for Certain Food Donations Made to Qualified Community-Based Organizations | - | (25) | (25) | (25) |
| GG | Enhance the Farm Donation Tax Credit | - | (5) | (5) | (5) |
| HH | Increase Maximum Credit under NYSHistoric Homeownership Rehabilitation Tax Credit | - | (7) | (7) | (7) |
| II | Establish an Excise Tax on Crypto Mining Facilities | 95 | 380 | 380 | 380 |
| JJ | Real Property Tax Surcharge on Vacant and Abandoned Property | - | - | - | - |
| KK | Extend Sales Tax Exemption Related to the Dodd-Frank Protection Act | - | - | - | - |
| LL | Sales Tax Exemption for Commercial Energy Storage Systems | (30) | (30) | (30) | (30) |
| MM | Repeal Medical Cannabis Excise Tax | (1) | (1) | (1) | (1) |
| NN | Standardbred Drug Testing | - | - | - | - |
| OO | Reduce New York City PTET Rebate to 75% | - | - | - | - |
| PP | Increase Various New York City Business Taxes | - | - | - | - |
| QQ | New York City Mansion Tax for Sales of High Value Properties | - | - | - | - |
| Total Fiscal Impact | | 950 | 2,733 | 4,268 | 4,120 |
| Total Fiscal Impact (Excluding One Time Proposals) | | 3,550 | 2,733 | 4,268 | 4,120 |

Public Protection & General Government

By Agency

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control

The Assembly accepts the Executive proposed All Funds appropriation of \$132 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes the Executive proposal to extend the authority of the State Liquor Authority to issue temporary retail permits for one year to October 12, 2027.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to enact multiple reforms to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law relating to the manufacture, wholesale, and retail of alcoholic beverages.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the State Liquor Authority to create several new license types in Alcoholic Beverage Control Law including a license for adult care facilities, airline lounges, cafes, and higher education institutions.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish a new on-premises retail license to allow dining and dancing in certain establishments.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Department of Audit and Control**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$643.4 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Division of Budget (DOB)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$52.6 million, an increase of \$2.2 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly includes \$1.5 million to support personal service costs associated with the establishment of the Municipal Assistance Division within the Division of Budget, in order to review and evaluate materials provided by municipalities for Additional Temporary Municipal Assistance payments, and report such analysis to the legislature.
- The Assembly restores \$620,000 and provides an increase of \$30,000 in funding for legislative membership dues.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Department of Civil Service**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$145.3 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Department of Corrections and Community Supervision

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.2 billion, an increase of \$5 million over the Executive Proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$5 million for community-based organizations providing re-integration services to incarcerated individuals at least six months prior to their release.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly carves out \$5 million for a pilot program for the implementation of the Heat Mitigation plan at a facility designated by DOCCS.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Commission of Correction

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$11.7 million, an increase of \$4.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides \$4.5 million to establish an Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes language to establish a new Office of the Chief Medical Examiner within the State Commission of Correction to provide independent oversight of deaths of incarcerated individuals while in custody.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27

Division of Criminal Justice Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1 billion, an increase of \$42.4 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$4 million for the district attorney and indigent legal services attorney loan forgiveness program, for a total of \$6.4 million.
- The Assembly proposal includes various legislative restorations, including:
 - \$7 million to support criminal justice programs, including re-entry programs, community dispute resolution centers, community-based organizations, transitional housing, civil or criminal legal services, and crime prevention programs;
 - \$2.1 million for Prisoner Legal Services for a total of \$5.3 million;
 - \$2.1 million for the New York State Defenders Association for a total of \$3.1 million;
 - \$609,000 in domestic violence related civil and criminal legal services support; and
 - \$600,000 for immigrant legal services.

Anti-Gun Violence Programs

- The Assembly provides \$30 million to support community-based organizations providing support services to justice involved youth, up to the age of twenty-five.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$10 million for SNUG, for a total of \$31 million.
- The Assembly restores the carve out of \$2.5 million for anti-gun violence grants.

Legal Services Assistance Fund

- The Assembly restores the carve out of \$2.8 million for Legal Services Assistance Fund (LSAF) support for civil and criminal legal services grants.

Byrne/Jag Funding

- The Assembly restores the carve out of \$300,000 for the Assembly's share of Edward Byrne Memorial/Justice Assistance Grants.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish various new crimes relating to the use of drones.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the definition of fraudulent insurance act to include staged motor vehicle accidents, lower fraud liability thresholds, and remove the one-year time frame for healthcare fraud.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to make changes to the Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Board.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend temporary orders of protection when a defendant fails to appear and requires notice.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to allow a designated special witness to testify before a grand jury by video conference.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit public demonstrations within 25 feet of entrances and exits of places of worship or healthcare facilities when done with the intent to alarm and annoy.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to designate specified sensitive locations as protected from civil immigration enforcement.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish a new crime of aggravated harassment of a rent regulated tenant.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand assault in the second to include additional transportation workers, require license suspension for assault on a highway worker, and create new crimes for menacing a highway worker and intrusion into an active work zone.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to establish a working group to determine the technological feasibility of blocking technology for 3-D printers.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 State Board of Elections

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$148.7 million an increase of \$6.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$6 million for local Boards of Elections for operating costs associated with the general election to be held in November of 2026, including up to \$1 million for polling sites at SUNY campuses, including early voting.
- The Assembly provides \$500,000 for the cost of implementing a program to expand voting opportunities to eligible people in detention.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would establish felony and misdemeanor penalties for voter intimidation, deception, or obstruction.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would require political communications using materially deceptive media to include provenance data and prohibit the distribution of such media within 90 days of an election, without the written consent of any depicted individual, and with the intent to influence the result of an election.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Office of Employee Relations**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$16 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Executive Chamber and Lieutenant Governor**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$27.5 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Financial Services (DFS)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$600 million.

The Assembly is committed to addressing the rising costs of home and auto insurance throughout New York State and supports meaningful changes in this area to help reduce such costs for consumers. The Assembly will continue to explore solutions that help reduce fraud, lower rates, and increase transparency for policyholders.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to modify private student loan protections by establishing cosigner release rights; increasing lender disclosure and communication obligations, authorizing DFS enforcement.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to add the Empire Plan to the Emergency Medical Services and Surprise Billing Law, eliminate the Independent Dispute Resolution process for the Medicaid program, and amend the criteria used by the Independent Dispute Resolution Entity for what is considered a reasonable fee.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend the Physicians Excess Medical Malpractice Program for one year and does not include provisions requiring participating providers to pay 50 percent of their excess coverage premium.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to change all references to “substance use disorder” to “substance-related and addictive disorder” in order to expand insurance coverage of substance use disorder to include coverage of other addictions.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require that property and casualty insurers provide a written explanation of a premium increase automatically when the total policy premium increase is in excess of 10 percent or at the request of the insured.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require certain homeowners’ insurance companies to refile their homeowners’ insurance rates with the Department of Financial Services if they had an actual loss ratio below a benchmark loss ratio specified by DFS in regulation.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require homeowners’ insurance and commercial property insurance companies to provide discounts for certain risk mitigation measures and report on such discounts annually to the Department of Financial Services.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to narrow the definition of a serious injury and limit non-economic damages available to be recovered by a person injured while operating a motor vehicle illegally or found at greater fault for the accident.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the amount of time an insurer shall report suspected fraudulent claims to the Department of Financial Services and allow an insurer to issue a denial or assert a defense after the 30-day payment requirement has elapsed.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require insurers that provide policies for loss of or damage to multi-family residential properties to file an annual report with the Department of Financial Services that includes information on such policies.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to require the Department of Financial Services to include additional information for consumers about the amount and outcomes of pre-authorization for each insurer, increase the transitional period for new enrollees of a health plan from 60 days to 90 days or for the duration of a pregnancy and postpartum care, require plans to publish their formulary drug list, and limit utilization review to once per year for treatment of a chronic health condition.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require insurers to provide discounts on motor vehicle insurance premiums for motor vehicles equipped with a dashboard camera.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the requirement that motor vehicle insurers refund to their policyholders a share of excess profits.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Health Insurance Continuation Assistance Demonstration Project for one year.
- The Assembly includes a proposal to require commercial insurance coverage of services provided by Licensed Creative Arts Therapists.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of General Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.7 billion.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to increase the thresholds for state agency contracts.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend provisions of the Stewardship Act.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2025-26
Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.3 billion, an increase of \$10.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Assembly provides \$500,000 for the American Red Cross.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$10 million for the Volunteer Fire Infrastructure & Response Equipment (V-FIRE) Grant Program.

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to suspend the Emergency Services Revolving Loan Fund by extending the suspension for a two-year period.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to create the Emergency Management Assistance Compact by authorizing the Governor to enter the Northern Emergency Management Assistance Compact and the International Emergency Management Assistance Compact, including agreements with Canadian provinces and neighboring states.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of Indigent Legal Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$495.8 million, an increase of \$5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$5 million for family court representation, for a total of \$30 million.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of the State Inspector General

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$12 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Interest on Lawyer Account

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$105.9 million, an increase of \$25 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$25 million for civil legal services, for a total of \$102.5 million.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Commission on Judicial Conduct

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.3 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Department of Law**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$413.1 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Division of Military and Naval Affairs

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$306.6 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$20 million, an increase of \$50,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$50,000 for the SUNY Buffalo Family Violence and Women's Rights Clinic.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Public Employment Relations Board

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.7 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government (COELIG)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.9 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal that would require lobbyists and clients to complete the mandatory ethics training for a biennial period instead of the current 3-year cycle, while also imposing late fees of \$25 per day.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would revise and modify the annual financial disclosure form.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal that would increase the lobbying registration fee from \$200 to \$250 annually.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal that would extend the sunset of the procurement lobbying provisions to July 31, 2031.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Division of State Police

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.3 billion.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal that would establish a critical incident paid leave for members of the state police.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Statewide Financial System

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$39.8 billion.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Office of Information Technology Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.2 billion.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of Victim Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$377.8 million, an increase of \$25 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$25 million for victim service providers, for a total of \$125 million in State support.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Workers' Compensation Board

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$262 million, a \$17 million decrease from the Executive proposal.

The Assembly is committed to addressing workers' compensation fraud in New York State by ensuring that the Workers' Compensation Board has the resources it needs to enforce workers' compensation law. The Assembly remains dedicated to finding ways to reduce and resolve cases of workers' compensation fraud throughout the state, thus supporting injured workers who need these benefits and medical providers who treat them.

State Operations

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to provide \$17 million to establish and staff workers' compensation fraud units within district attorneys' offices. This will prevent an increase in workers' compensation assessments for businesses.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that increases assessments on employer premiums to fund the establishment of workers' compensation fraud units within district attorney's offices.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that authorizes any medical provider not placed on an exclusion list by the Workers' Compensation Board to provide medical care and treatment for workers' compensation claimants.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 General State Charges

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.7 billion, \$10.9 million over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly is committed to improving benefits for public employees in Tier 6, including the consideration of proposals such as setting member contribution rates at 3 percent of annual wages, increasing overtime limits on final average salary calculations, or allowing members to retire at age 55 with 30 years of service. These proposals would offer meaningful incentives for new employees in public service as well as ensure that current dedicated public employees are more appropriately compensated in retirement. Additionally, the Assembly is committed to addressing disparities among the pension plans of the various sectors of the state and local workforces. The Assembly recognizes that over the years these pension plans have been modified at different times, often creating a patchwork of benefits, and that establishing better parity amongst the plans will also aid in recruitment and retention.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides an additional \$10 million in state aid payable to City of Albany in connection with the State Office Building Campus.
- The Assembly restores \$289,000 for the City of Kingston and \$33,000 for the Town of Ulster for the reimbursement of tax revenues lost resulting from the creation of the Sojourner Truth State Park.
- The Assembly provides \$56,500 for the Town of Lloyd for the reimbursement of tax revenues lost related to Franny Reese State Park.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposed appropriation language that would require the rate of interest paid upon any judgment or accrued claim to be calculated based on the market rate.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to cease reimbursement of Medicare Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amounts to high income retirees.
- The Assembly includes language to adjust the state aid schedule payable to the City of Albany in connection with the State Office Building Campus, increasing annual aid for SFYs 2026-27, 2027-28, and 2028-29 from \$15 million to \$25 million.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27

Miscellaneous: Public Protection and General Government

Local Government Assistance

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3 billion, an increase of \$1.5 billion over the Executive proposal.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$1.5 billion in Additional Temporary Municipal Assistance over three years, including:
 - \$1 billion for the City of New York; and
 - \$500 million for other cities, towns, and villages across the State.

- The Assembly provides an additional \$20 million in Miscellaneous Financial Assistance, including:
 - \$10 million for the City of Rochester; and
 - \$10 million for the City of Syracuse.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to increase the total number of land banks authorized by law from 35 to 45.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the Town of Islip to utilize a design-build procurement method for the Long Island MacArthur Airport terminal and rail integration project.

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal that would require the Department of Financial Services (DFS) to register data brokers and establish a consumer personal data deletion request tool.

- The Assembly includes a proposal that would require the State to pay PILOT payments associated with Franny Reese State Park and Sojourner Truth State Park.

Education, Labor & Family Assistance

By Agency

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Veterans' Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$34.4 million, an increase of \$2.6 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$2.6 million in restorations for various veterans' programs.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 New York State Council on the Arts

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$111.8 million, an increase of \$40.4 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly proposes:
 - \$39.4 million in additional local grantmaking support, for a total of \$100 million;
and
 - \$1 million for stabilization grants to small and mid-sized arts organizations.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes the Executive proposal that creates a Music Grant Fund.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 City University of New York (CUNY)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$15.1 billion, an increase of \$8.7 million over Executive.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides:
 - \$36.5 million for CUNY Collective Bargaining Costs;
 - \$28.9 million for CUNY Fringe Benefits; and
 - \$31.9 million for CUNY Other Unfunded Mandatory Costs.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$20.6 million to reimburse the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) changes, for a total of \$72.9 million.
- The Assembly provides \$2.5 million in new operating funds for CUNY, which includes:
 - \$1 million for Medgar Evers College Biomedical AI Research and Education Initiative;
 - \$835,000 for Medgar Evers College Jumpstart Summer Academy;
 - \$500,000 for Medgar Evers College Center for Black Literature; and
 - \$150,000 for Medgar Evers College Center for Law and Social Justice.
- The Assembly provides \$21.6 million in operating funds for CUNY, which includes:
 - \$4 million restoration for the CUNY Medical School;
 - \$2.5 million restoration for the School of Labor and Urban Studies, for a total of \$8.2 million;
 - \$2.3 million restoration for Search for Education, Elevation and Knowledge (SEEK) and provides a \$5.6 million increase, for a total of \$44.9 million;
 - \$1.2 million restoration for the Black Male Initiative;
 - \$1 million restoration for Expansion of Nursing Programs, for a total of \$2 million;
 - \$1 million restoration for Mental Health Services, for a total of \$3 million;
 - \$350,000 restoration for the Asian American Research Institute;
 - \$350,000 restoration for the W. Haywood Burns Chair in Human and Civil Rights; and
 - \$1.4 million restoration for other legislative adds.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$4 million (AY) to expand the Opportunity Promise Scholarship for students pursuing associate degrees in CUNY Senior colleges, for a total of \$26.8 million.
- The Assembly proposal includes:
 - \$8 million in additional base aid to CUNY Community Colleges for the 2026-27 Academic Year (AY), for a total of \$236.7 million; and
 - \$108,000 restoration for College Discovery and provides a \$270,127 increase, for a total of \$2.2 million.

Capital Projects

The Assembly proposal includes \$7.8 billion for CUNY's 5-Year Capital Plan. Allocations for this fiscal year include:

- \$170 million to support CUNY energy efficiency projects;
- \$150 million for CUNY's comprehensive IT modernization and security enhancement;
- \$100 million increase for CUNY Critical Maintenance, for a total of \$414.2 million;
- \$100 million increase for CUNY Community Colleges Capital, for a total of \$157.3 million;
- \$60 million to build a new CUNY medical school and clinic building;
- \$50 million to upgrade and renovate CUNY's science labs;
- \$15 million to construct a Science Complex at Lehman College; and
- \$5 million for phases 3 and 4 of Baruch College building infrastructure enhancements.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to modify the New York Opportunity Promise Scholarship Program that the Executive proposal expanded by including nursing students with postsecondary degrees. The proposal would be modified to also include associate degrees at four-year public colleges in CUNY.
- The Assembly proposes to modify the Executive proposal to extend the authorization for CUNY to set differential non-resident undergraduate and graduate tuition rates at state-operated institutions and senior colleges. The proposal would be modified to provide for a one-year extension instead of three years.

- The Assembly includes legislation which would require the Governor to submit five-year capital plans for CUNY as part of the Executive budget.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 State Education Department (SED)

The Assembly provides an All-Funds appropriation of \$50.8 billion, an increase of \$2.1 billion over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides:
 - \$3.1 million for NY Inspires Portrait of a Graduate;
 - \$800,000 to support the TeachNY; and
 - \$500,000 in funding for SED to develop Financial Literacy curriculum.

- The Assembly restores \$150,000 for the Rochester Fiscal Consultant.

Aid to Localities

Formula Based Aid

- The Assembly proposal for state funding for school aid would total \$39.4 billion, an increase of \$905.6 million over the Executive and \$2.1 billion over State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025-26. This includes a \$630.6 million increase to fund Foundation Aid over the Executive, which would be a \$1.4 billion increase over School Year 2025-26.

- The Assembly proposal:
 - Adds students in foster care and students experiencing housing instability to the Pupil Needs Index at a weight of 0.65;

 - Increases the English Language Learner Factor of the Pupil Needs Index from 0.53 to 0.6;

 - Removes the cap on the Pupil Needs Index; and

 - Provides a 2 percent minimum year-over-year increase to Foundation Aid.

- The Assembly provides an additional \$20.9 million to increase prekindergarten per pupil aid for three-year-old children to school districts outside of New York City to the greater of their selected foundation aid per pupil or \$10,000.

- The Assembly proposes an additional \$10.1 million to increase base per pupil aid from \$4,100 to \$4,300 for Career Education Services Aid to be in parity with the salary cap aid increase for BOCES instructors.
- The Assembly modifies the funding cap for Transportation After 4, allowing it to grow annually by 3.5 times the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Nonpublic Schools

- The Assembly restores \$1 million for Nonpublic Immunization, for a total of \$1 million.
- The Assembly restores \$500,000 for Nonpublic Academic Intervention Services, for a total of \$1.4 million.

Adult Career and Continuing Education Services

- The Assembly restores \$500,000 for Adult Literacy Education, for a total of \$9.8 million.
- The Assembly restores \$750,000 and provides an additional \$750,000 for Independent Living Centers, for a total of \$17.5 million.

Special Education

- The Assembly provides an additional \$3.4 million for Schools for the Blind and Deaf (4201 schools), for a total of \$118.3 million.
- The Assembly restores \$4.9 million in funding for the following individual 4201 schools:
 - \$1.4 million for the New York School for the Deaf;
 - \$1 million for the Henry Viscardi School;
 - \$903,000 for the Lexington School for the Deaf;
 - \$500,000 for the Mill Neck School for the Deaf;
 - \$500,000 for the Cleary School for the Deaf;
 - \$300,000 for the Rochester School for the Deaf;
 - \$150,000 for the St. Mary's School; and
 - \$150,000 for the St. Francis de Sales School for the Deaf.

Office of Higher Education and the Professions

- The Assembly proposal restores:
 - \$2.9 million for the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP) and a \$7.1 million increase, for a total of \$56.9 million;
 - \$1.5 million for the Liberty Partnerships Program (LPP) and a \$3.7 million increase, for a total of \$29.4 million;
 - \$1.3 million for the Science and Technology Entry Program (STEP) and a \$3.2 million increase, for a total of \$25.3 million;
 - \$964,000 for the Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program (CSTEP) and a \$2.4 million increase, for a total of \$19.2 million;
 - \$483,000 for the Foster Youth Initiative and a \$1.2 million increase, for a total of \$9.6 million; and
 - \$2 million for Students with Disabilities and a \$2 million increase, for a total of \$6 million.

Cultural Education

- The Assembly provides a \$4.6 million increase in funding for Library Aid over the Executive, for a total of \$109.3 million.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$125,000 for the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, for a total of \$625,000.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$110,000 for the Langston Hughes Community Library and Cultural Center of Queens, for a total of \$332,500.
- The Assembly provides \$5 million for Digital Inclusion, which may be used in conjunction with the ConnectAll initiative.
- The Assembly restores \$4 million for Educational TV and Radio, for a total of \$18 million.

Other Programs

- The Assembly provides \$600 million in additional aid to support the New York City class size mandate.
- The Assembly provides \$326.5 million to eliminate the Prior-Year Aid Claims.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$100 million for Community Schools, separate from the Foundation Aid set-aside.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$2 million for My Brother's Keeper, for a total of \$30 million.
- The Assembly provides \$1.2 million to establish 5-year Bilingual Education Pilot Programs in Buffalo and Queens.
- The Assembly restores funding for the following programs:
 - \$15 million for Teacher Resource and Computer Training Centers, for a total of \$21.4 million;
 - \$1.5 million for the Consortium for Worker Education, for a total of \$13 million;
 - \$1.2 million for Buffalo School Health Services;
 - \$1.2 million for Rochester School Health Services;
 - \$925,000 for State Appointed Monitors;
 - \$250,000 for CWE Enhanced Credentialing; and
 - \$16 million in funding for other Legislative adds.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly proposal provides \$36 million for Library Construction, for a total of \$70 million.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the Contract for Excellence Program to maintain funding levels for districts that are not in good academic standing.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to require EXCEL projects to be certified by the Commissioner of Education before December 31, 2028.

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to expand Universal Pre-K to support full-day instruction for four-year-old children by Fall 2028, consolidate UPK and Statewide Universal Full Day Prekindergarten into a single program, and to increase funding for the instruction of three-year-old children.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to direct the Commissioner of Education to provide school districts with instructional best practices in numeracy and the teaching of mathematics for grades K-5.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend mayoral control through 2030.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to freeze reimbursable aids to the lesser of the Executive proposal or updated data.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand the scope of practice for several health care professionals, including physician assistants, certified nurse aides, and medical assistants.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to transfer certain oversight of physicians, physician assistants, and specialist assistants and professional entities engaged in the practice of medicine from SED to DOH.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to effectuate changes in Foundation Aid.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal include renewable energy projects in the cost allowances for building aid. The modified proposal would include technical changes.
- The Assembly includes language to modify the Farm-to-School Program to expand it to include breakfast and snacks in purchasing requirements.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of Children and Family Services

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.8 billion, an increase of \$327 million over the Executive Proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides \$250,000 for a Child Care Cost Estimate Model Study to determine the actual cost of providing child care.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide additional child care subsidies for all localities by allowing counties to roll over supplemental funding into future years.
- The Assembly proposes \$100 million for afterschool programs serving youth up to age 18. This would provide funding for an additional 40,000 afterschool slots.
- The Assembly restores \$28.6 million to not include the Executive proposal to eliminate the state share for Committee on Special Education (CSE) placements outside of New York City.
- The Assembly provides \$18.7 million to eliminate minimum wage eligibility requirements to qualify for child care assistance.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$2 million for Runaway and Homeless Youth, for a total of \$10.5 million.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal of \$1 million for localities to modify zoning laws to facilitate the construction or expansion of child care centers.
- The Assembly restores the following programs that were eliminated by the Executive:
 - \$11.9 million for Facilitated Enrollment;
 - \$4 million for Settlement Houses;
 - \$1.9 million for Kinship Care;
 - \$1 million for Safe Harbor; and
 - \$100,000 for Kinship Navigator.

- The Assembly increases funding for child care within the Office of Children and Family Services by \$166.2 million and decreases funding in the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance for the Needy Families (TANF) appropriation for the same purpose.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to increase the time period for license and registration validity from four to six years and to authorize OCFS to replace training requirement for child care providers.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand access to private adoptive placements by increasing the time frame for reimbursement of the birth mother's expenses incurred during the adoptive process.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the use of body scanners in OCFS facilities.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to permanently eliminate state reimbursement for the residential Committee on Special Education placements made outside of New York City and for students attending a state-operated school for the deaf and blind.
- The Assembly includes a new proposal to expand access to child care assistance by eliminating minimum wage eligibility requirements.
- The Assembly includes a new proposal to require the Office of Children and Family Services to utilize a cost estimation model to determine the actual cost of providing child care.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.3 billion, an increase of \$422.8 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$8.6 million in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) restorations to provide support for the following programs that were eliminated in the Executive Budget:
 - \$4.1 million for ATTAIN;
 - \$1.4 million for Career Pathways;
 - \$800,000 for ACCESS;
 - \$785,000 for Preventive Services;
 - \$475,000 for Wage Subsidy Program;
 - \$334,000 for SUNY/CUNY Child Care;
 - \$200,000 for additional funding for Non-Residential Domestic Violence, for a total of \$3.2 million;
 - \$200,000 for the Jewish Child Care Association of New York;
 - \$144,000 for Wheels for Work;
 - \$82,000 for Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority; and
 - \$25,000 for Centro of Oneida.
- The Assembly provides a \$100 million to increase the reimbursement to New York City for the cost of operating adult shelters for a total of \$169 million.
- The Assembly provides \$152.6 million to eliminate New York City's 15 percent local share of TANF and Emergency Assistance to Families (EAF) benefits.

- The Assembly provides \$100 million to create the Learning Empowering and Developing (LEAD) Summer Youth Program, intended to supplement the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) to provide employment and career exploration opportunities for youth in households with income under 400 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).
- The Assembly provides \$50 million to cap rent paid by public assistance recipients outside of New York City with who are living with HIV/AIDS at 30 percent of the person's income. Localities would have the option to administer this program and would receive full state reimbursement for the required local share.
- The Assembly provides \$20 million for Legal Protection for Eviction, for a total of \$55 million.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$13 million for the Refugee Resettlement Program, for a total of \$15 million.
- The Assembly provides \$5 million for the Summer Youth Employment Program, for a total of \$58 million.
- The Assembly provides \$1.9 million and provides an additional \$2.9 million for the Nutrition Outreach and Education Program (NOEP) to cover federal administrative funding cuts, for a total of \$8.5 million.
- The Assembly restores \$2 million for Double Up Food Bucks.
- The Assembly restores \$1.5 million for National Diaper Banks.
- The Assembly restores \$1.5 million for the Disability Advocacy Program (DAP), for a total of \$6.8 million.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides an additional \$100 million for the Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP), for a total of \$253 million.
- The Assembly provides \$30 million to modernize public benefit application and quality control systems used by Local Social Services Districts.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) pass-through for 2027.
- The Assembly includes a new proposal to provide rental assistance to public assistance recipients living with HIV/AIDS outside of the City of New York.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.5 billion, an increase of \$440.1 million over the Executive.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides \$110 million for the New York Reinvests in Student Educational Supports (NY RISES) Program, which includes:
 - \$100 million as a default reserve fund for student loans provided through the NY RISES program; and
 - \$10 million for additional staff and expenses to administer the NY RISES Program.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$241 million (AY) to propose the following changes for the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), which includes an:
 - Increase to the income threshold for the maximum TAP award from \$7,000 to \$30,000 for Dependent Students while adjusting the reduction rate for students above \$30,000 to 10% per dollar after \$30,000;
 - Increase the income threshold for the maximum TAP award from \$7,000 to \$30,000 for Independent Married Students while adjusting the reduction rate for students above \$30,000 to 20% per dollar after \$30,000;
 - Increase the income threshold for the maximum TAP award from \$3,000 to \$30,000 for Independent Single Students; and
 - Increase the maximum income threshold for Dependent TAP Students to receive the minimum TAP award from \$125,000 to \$150,000.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$160 million (AY) to expand TAP eligibility to Graduate students under the current law schedule.

- The Assembly provides an additional \$37.1 million (AY) for increasing the income eligibility from \$125,000 to \$150,000 for the Excelsior Scholarship.

The Assembly restores:

- \$1 million for the Senator Patricia K. McGee Nursing Faculty Scholarship, for a total of \$4.9 million;
- \$100,000 for the Child Welfare Worker Incentive Scholarship Program, for a total of \$150,000; and
- \$50,000 for New York Young Farmers, for a total of \$200,000.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to modify the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) to increase the income threshold for dependent students under the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) from \$125,000 to \$150,000.
 - The Assembly would also increase the income threshold for maximum TAP award eligibility from \$7,000 to \$30,000, and adjust the award reduction rates.
- The Assembly proposes to modify the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) to provide for Graduate Students under the current law income thresholds for Undergraduate TAP.
- The Assembly includes a proposal for a student loan program called New York Reinvests in Student Educational Supports (NY RISES), and provides \$500 million in bonding authority under SONYMA to address the dramatic changes on the federal level that affect student loans. NY RISES is in a partnership between the State, private lenders and higher education institutions.
- The Assembly will expand applicant eligibility and reimbursement under the New York State District Attorney and Indigent Legal Services Attorney Loan Forgiveness Program.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27

Division of Housing and Community Renewal

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.5 billion, an increase of \$2.4 billion over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$200 million in additional funding for the Housing Access Voucher Pilot Program (HAVP), for a total of \$250 million.
- The Assembly provides \$100 million for Mitchell-Lama and New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) developments to assist with operating needs and maintenance costs.
- The Assembly provides \$50 million to support another round of down payment assistance to families earning between 50 and 120 percent of area median income with \$20 million set aside to provide homeownership opportunities for diverse populations.
- The Assembly restores \$10 million and provides an additional \$3 million for Land Banks, for a total of \$13 million.
- The Assembly restores \$2 million for Fair Housing Testing, for a total of \$4 million.
- **Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF):** The Assembly transfers from the Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF) \$7.9 million for Neighborhood Preservation Programs (NPP), for a total of \$20.7 million and \$3.2 million for Rural Preservation Programs (RPP), for a total of \$8.6 million. The Assembly restores the carveout for the Neighborhood Preservation Coalition and provides an additional \$25,000 for a total of \$275,000 and restores the Rural Housing Coalition carveout of \$250,000.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$750 million for the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), which may be used for lead, mold or asbestos remediation, including in vacant units.
- The Assembly provides \$750 million for Mitchell-Lama Preservation and Homeownership.
- The Assembly provides \$225 million for Public Housing Authorities outside of New York City for rehabilitation and new construction.
- The Assembly provides \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Co-op Program.
- The Assembly provides \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Rental Program.
- The Assembly provides \$52 million for Land Banks.
- The Assembly provides \$25 million for capital improvements at the Rochdale Village Mitchell-Lama development.
- The Assembly provides \$10 million for the Small Rental Housing Development Initiative.
- The Assembly provides \$4 million for Access to Home, for a total of \$5 million.
- The Assembly provides \$2.6 million for Housing Opportunities Program for the Elderly (includes RESTORE program), for a total of \$4 million.
- The Assembly provides \$2 million for the Green Affordable Program.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to codify the Homeowner Protection Program (HOPP) to provide free housing counseling and legal services to homeowners related to homeownership retention such as preventing foreclosure and deed theft.
- The Assembly proposes to modify the Executive proposal to transfer \$111.75 million in excess Mortgage Insurance Fund (MIF) reserves to provide an additional \$7.85 million for Neighborhood Preservation Programs (NPPs), an additional \$3.21 million for Rural Preservation Programs (RPPs). The Assembly restores the carveout for the Neighborhood Preservation Coalition and provides an additional \$25,000 for a total of \$275,000 and preserves the Rural Housing Coalition carveout of \$250,000.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Division of Human Rights

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$39.9 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Labor

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$7.1 billion, an increase of \$9.9 million over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly is committed to addressing wage theft in New York State by providing additional tools to the Department of Labor to investigate wage theft violations and pursue remedies for employees, including owed wages. The Assembly proposes to redirect funds proposed for local districts attorneys' offices for the creation of dedicated wage theft units back to the Department of Labor, where the Department's dedicated staff have the training and experience necessary to recover the millions of dollars of wages being stolen from New Yorkers each year.

State Operations

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$5.1 million to establish wage theft enforcement offices in rural District Attorneys' offices, to instead provide \$5.1 million to expand the Department of Labor's wage theft enforcement capacity statewide.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly restores funding for the following programs:
 - \$1.2 million for the Displaced Homemakers Program;
 - \$500,000 for the New York Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH);
 - \$150,000 for the Sexual Harassment Prevention program at Cornell University;
 - \$125,000 for the Criminal Records Program at the Cornell School of Industrial Labor Relations; and
 - \$7.9 million for various labor initiatives.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 State of New York Mortgage Agency

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$218.9 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly authorizes \$500 million in bonds for a student loan program called New York Reinvests in Student Educational Supports (NY RISES) to address the dramatic changes on the federal level that affect student loans. This program is in partnership between the State, private lenders and higher education institutions.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 State University of New York (SUNY)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$25.6 billion, an increase of \$10.9 billion over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly proposal would shift the cost of SUNY Hospital debt service from the hospitals to the State, saving the SUNY Hospitals \$80 million.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$22.3 million to reimburse Assembly proposed the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) changes, for a total of \$73.4 million.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$10 million for the New York State statutory colleges at Cornell University.
- The Assembly restores \$9.6 million and include increases of \$17.5 million in operating funds:
 - \$2.6 million for the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) and provides an increase of \$17.5 million, for a total of \$45.7 million;
 - \$2 million for the Maritime Appointments Program, for a total of \$2.2 million;
 - \$1 million for Mental Health Services, for a total of \$2 million;
 - \$1 million for the High Needs Nursing Program, for a total of \$2.7 million;
 - \$433,000 for the Immigrant Integration Research and Policy Center;
 - \$350,000 for the Black Leadership Institute;
 - \$350,000 for the Asian American Native American and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Leadership Institute;
 - \$330,000 for the Long Island Veteran’s Home; and
 - \$525,000 million for various legislative adds.
- The Assembly restores \$425,000 and provides an increase of \$425,000, for the Timbuctoo Climate Science Careers Summer Institute.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$4 million (AY) to expand the Opportunity Promise Scholarship for students pursuing associate degrees in 4-Year SUNY colleges, for a total of \$40.7 million.
- The Assembly proposal also:
 - provides \$12 million in additional base aid for SUNY Community Colleges, for a total of \$445.3 million;
 - restores \$1.7 million for the Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE), for a total of \$6.1 million; and
 - restores \$350,000 for various legislative adds.

Capital Projects

The Assembly proposal includes \$10 billion for SUNY's 5-Year Capital Plan. Allocations for this fiscal year include:

- \$460 million for SUNY Research Facilities; and
- \$405 million in additional funding for SUNY Critical Maintenance, for a total of \$1 billion.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to modify the New York Opportunity Promise Scholarship Program that the Executive proposal expanded by including nursing students with postsecondary degrees. The proposal would be modified to include associate degrees at four-year public colleges in SUNY.
- The Assembly proposes to modify the extension of the authorization for SUNY to set differential non-resident undergraduate and graduate tuition rates at state-operated institutions and senior colleges. The proposal would be modified to provide for a one-year extension instead of three years.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to direct the SUNY Board of Trustees to promulgate rules and regulations related to the late submission of certificates of residence by students to community colleges.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the lease of certain lands at SUNY Farmingdale and SUNY Stony Brook for the purposes of developing, constructing, maintaining and operating multi-purpose facilities to support housing needs and related amenities.
- The Assembly proposes legislation which would require the Governor to submit five-year capital plans for SUNY as part of the Executive budget.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Office of the Welfare Inspector General**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.4 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Miscellaneous: Education, Labor, and Family Assistance

Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$50 million, a \$50 million increase over the Executive proposal.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$50 million for the nonprofit infrastructure capital investment program to support capital projects for eligible nonprofit human services organizations.

Raise the Age

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$350 million, a \$100 million increase over the Executive proposal.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides an additional \$100 million for Raise the Age services, for a total of \$350 million. In addition, the Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to clarify that counties can continue to access funding for prior year plans through the current appropriation.

Article VII

- The Assembly will include a new proposal to make New York City eligible to receive state funding to support expenses for Raise the Age.

Higher Education Facilities Capital Matching Grants Program

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$40 million, a \$40 million increase over the Executive proposal.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$40 million for the Higher Education Capital Matching Grants Program (HECap).

Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program

The Assembly proposes an All Funds appropriation of \$100 million, a \$60 million increase over the Executive proposal.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides an additional \$60 million for the Arts and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program which, would provide facility enhancement grants to small and mid-sized organizations, to be administered by the New York State Council on the Arts.

Health & Mental Hygiene

By Agency

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 State Office for the Aging (SOFA)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$443.8 million, an increase of \$8 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$1.08 million to restore funding for the Holocaust Survivors Initiative.
- The Assembly provides \$375,000 to restore funding for Lifespan of Greater Rochester.
- The Assembly provides \$300,000 to restore funding for SAGE.
- The Assembly provides \$186,000 to restore funding for NY Foundation for Senior Citizens.
- The Assembly provides \$6.1 million to restore various legislative adds.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to extend the Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) and the Disability Rent Increase Exemption (DRIE) programs for an additional two years and increase the income eligibility thresholds for each program to \$75,000.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Council on Developmental Disabilities

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$9.8 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Health

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$144.7 billion, an increase of \$7.7 billion over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly is committed to strengthening New York State's ability to respond to cardiac emergencies and expanding access to Automated External Defibrillator (AED) units.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides \$700,000 to restore Section 405 Hospital audits.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to assume the federal government will approve the State's waiver request to terminate its 1332 State Innovation Waiver and reactivate the 1331 Basic Health Program, resulting in \$6 billion in additional federal spending.
- The Assembly includes contingency appropriation language to maintain access to healthcare coverage in the event that the federal government does not approve the State's waiver request.
- The Assembly includes a distribution for \$4 billion from the Healthcare Stability Fund as follows:
 - \$1.2 billion for hospital and nursing home payments;
 - \$500 million for Global Cap offsets;
 - \$330 million for the Safety Net Transformation Program;
 - \$193 million for nursing homes;
 - \$155 million for hospitals;
 - \$100 million for quality pools;
 - \$40 million for clinics;
 - \$15 million for Value Based Program (VBP) incentive payments;
 - \$15 million for Certified Home Health Agencies;
 - \$12 million for Assisted Living Providers;
 - \$5 million for hospice;
 - \$1.4 billion for state share tax offsets; and
 - \$536 million to be rolled over to SFY 2027-28 for disbursement from the Healthcare Stability Fund.

- The Assembly provides \$516.6 million to restore Vital Access Provider Assurance Program (VAPAP) for financially distressed hospitals.
- The Assembly provides \$85 million to fully restore the Hospital Capital Rate add-on.
- The Assembly provides \$80 million to maintain solvency of the Medical Indemnity Fund in SFY 2026-27.
- The Assembly provides \$39.3 million to restore excess medical malpractice.
- The Assembly provides \$30 million to modify the Executive proposal to reform comprehensive coverage for biomarker testing.
- The Assembly provides \$28.5 million to reject the Executive proposal to carve Medicaid Managed Care out of the IDR process.
- The Assembly provides \$20 million to increase funding for Nourish NY, for a total of \$75 million.
- The Assembly provides \$18 million to increase Early Intervention rates by 5 percent.
- The Assembly provides \$14.4 million to fully restore the Nursing Home Capital Rate add-on.
- The Assembly provides \$10 million to restore various legislative adds.
- The Assembly provides an additional \$10 million for the New York State Occupational Health Clinic Network (OHCN), for a total of \$19.6 million.
- The Assembly provides \$9.5 million to restore various public health programs.
- The Assembly provides \$8 million to increase funding for family planning grants.
- The Assembly provides \$5 million to increase funding for the Reproductive Freedom and Equity Fund.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to update Medicaid coinsurance rules.
- The Assembly provides \$3.8 million to restore funding for School Based Health Centers (SBHCs).

- The Assembly provides \$2.8 million to support keeping School Based Health Centers (SBHC) carved out of Medicaid Managed Care.
- The Assembly provides \$2.7 million to increase funding for the Hunger Prevention Nutrition Assistance Program, for a total of \$75 million.
- The Assembly provides \$2.5 million to restore the Executive proposal to increase the number of chronic conditions necessary to qualify for Health Homes.
- The Assembly provides \$1 million to restore funding for the Nurse Family Partnership program.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$1 billion for health care facility capital needs.
- The Assembly provides \$3.3 million to restore funding for the Enhancing the Quality of Adult Living (EQUAL) program.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the legal authority for the Medicaid Global Cap through SFY 2027-28.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to extend various provisions of the Public Health Law, Elder Law, Insurance Law, Education Law, and Social Services Law.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal extending programs and aspects of the Health Care Reform Act (HCRA), through March 31, 2029. The Assembly does not include eliminating the Empire Clinical Research Investigator Program (ECRIP).
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to discontinue certain programs under the Department of Health.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal regarding technical amendments to only include non-substantive re-lettering corrections.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to make various changes to AED requirements. The Assembly includes requirements for centralizing AED registration

with the Department of Health and updating AED definitions but does not include provisions relating to changing training standards nor removing collaborative agreement requirements.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand financial disclosure requirements for healthcare entities in relation to proposed material transactions.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to reform reimbursement rates for non-physician services provided to enrollees in the Medical Indemnity Fund.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to further regulate temporary health care staffing agencies. The Assembly includes provisions expanding current law to cover subcontractors and does not include provisions to establish a profit cap on temporary healthcare staffing agencies.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to expand and extend the community-based paramedicine program by four years to 2031, allow “licensed Emergency Medical Service practitioners” to administer vaccines, and allow hospitals to offer acute off-site care.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to restore a 10 percent nursing home capital rate cut and change the premiums for the Medicaid Buy-In for Working Persons with Disabilities program to be proportional to income. The Assembly will modify to restore the full 15 percent nursing home capital rate cut and will not include the premium changes.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to make various changes to the Medicaid Managed Care program. The Assembly does not include proposals to eliminate Medicaid/Medicare crossover claims for ambulance and psychology services, establish parameters to coverage for applied behavioral analysis services, eliminate long-term services and support benefits from the Essential plan, repeal continuous Medicaid and CHP eligibility for children under 6 and extend the “cooling off” period for hospitals and hospital-owned practices from 60 days to 120 days. The Assembly modifies coverage requirements to ensure biomarker testing meets the established medical necessity criteria.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to increase the amount of Health Care Stability Fund disbursements to increase funding to support Federally Qualified Health Centers to \$80 million.

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to repeal the Distressed Provider Assistance Account and increase the New York City General Public Health Work reimbursement rate from 20 percent to 36 percent.
- The Assembly includes a proposal to make permanent the Medicaid Managed Care carveout for School-based health centers.
- The Assembly includes a proposal to restore a 20 percent hospital capital rate cut.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to make changes to the retention and destruction process of sexual offense evidence kits and create a working group to address the creation of a coordinated tracking system for sexual offense evidence kits.
- The Assembly includes a proposal to create an Essential Plan Contingency Fund to maintain access to healthcare coverage in the event the federal government denies the State's waiver request to reactivate the 1331 Basic Health Program.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG)**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$71.2 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

**Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Department of Mental Hygiene**

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$600 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.4 billion, an increase of \$3 million over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly is committed to supporting initiatives that assist individuals in recovery with substance use disorders. Employment provides people in recovery with a critical source of structure and routine, and the workplace can often serve as a key resource for preventative measures and intervention regarding substance use disorders, such as proposed in A.10223 (Steck). For this reason, the Assembly believes that it is crucial that businesses receive multidisciplinary support in reintegrating people in recovery into economic life.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$1 million in funding for Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Specialists (SAPIS).
- The Assembly provides \$2 million to restore legislative priorities from the previous year.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Office of Mental Health (OMH)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.3 billion, an increase of \$26.5 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$20 million to increase reimbursement rates for Children's Behavioral Health services in Medicaid.
- The Assembly provides \$2.5 million to restore legislative priorities from the previous year.
- The Assembly provides \$2 million to authorize outpatient Licensed Creative Arts Therapist services in Medicaid.
- The Assembly includes \$2 million to expand the Healthy Steps Program.
- The Assembly provides \$2 million to fund Crisis Intervention Teams.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal that would require the commissioners of the Office of Mental Health (OMH), the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS), the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), the Office of Temporary Disability Assistance (OTDA), and the State Office of the Aging (SOFA) to establish and fund a 1.7 percent Targeted Inflation Increase (TII) by increasing the TII to

4 percent. The additional 2.3 percent increase will support targeted salary increases for support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would authorize the commissioners of OMH and OASAS to jointly license integrated behavioral health programs and develop joint regulations.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal that would extend the requirement for Medicaid Managed Care organizations to pay at least the ambulatory patient group (APG) reimbursement rate for services rendered by mental health and substance use service providers until March 31, 2031.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$10.3 billion, an increase of \$760,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$760,000 to restore legislative priorities from the previous year.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes a proposal to extend the legal authority for the OPWDD Care Demonstration Program through 2028.
- The Assembly includes a proposal to extend legal authority for the OPWDD to provide notification of closures or transfer of state-operated individualized residential alternatives to the legislature and labor organizations through 2028.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Justice Center for the Protection of People with Special Needs

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$63.4 million, an increase of \$230,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$230,000 to restore the Adult Home Advocacy Program.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would eliminate the Adult Home and Residency Advocacy Program.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Miscellaneous: Health and Mental Health

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$238.1 million.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal by increasing the Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII) by 2.3 percent for a total of 4 percent. Of the 4 percent, 2.3 percent will be used to support targeted salary increases for support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff. The State Fiscal Year cost for the additional 2.3 percent for the Human Services agencies would be \$238.1 million, including:
 - \$128.7 million for the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities;
 - \$75.4 million for the Office of Mental Health;
 - \$15.4 million for the Office of Addiction Services and Supports;
 - \$13.3 million for the Office of Children and Family Services;
 - \$5.3 million for the State Office for the Aging; and
 - \$100,000 for the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Transportation, Economic Development & Environmental Conservation

By Agency

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Adirondack Park Agency

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$8.5 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Agriculture and Markets

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$413.8 million, an increase of \$16 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly modifies appropriation language to ensure that the Agricultural Marketing Order and the Dairy Promotion Act are applicable to the corresponding appropriation.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$95 million for Aid to Localities programs, an increase of \$11 million over the Executive proposal as follows:
 - \$1.1 million for Cornell Pro-Dairy Program, for a total of \$2.5 million;
 - \$950,000 for Grow NYC;
 - \$838,500 for New York State Apple Growers Association, for a total of \$1.3 million;
 - \$274,000 for Cornell Maple Research, for a total of \$350,000;
 - \$225,000 for Northeast Organic Farming Association;
 - \$150,000 for Hop Growers Association;
 - \$125,000 for Cornell Ruminant Center, for a total of \$500,000;
 - \$123,000 for the Maple Producers Association, for a total of \$275,000;
 - \$95,000 for the Apple Research and Development Program, for a total of \$600,000;
 - \$74,000 for NYS Brewers Association, for a total of \$150,000; and
 - \$50,000 for John May Farm Safety Fund, for a total of \$500,000.
- The Assembly fully restores the following:
 - \$1.2 million for Farm Viability Institute, for a total of \$2.2 million;
 - \$1 million for Economically and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers;
 - \$1 million for Beginning Farmers;
 - \$700,000 for the Cornell Animal Diagnostic Lab, for a total of \$8.9 million;
 - \$700,000 for Farmland for a New Generation Resource Center;
 - \$300,000 for Cornell Hops Research;
 - \$300,000 for Northern NY Agricultural Development;

- \$250,000 for Cornell Pro-Livestock;
 - \$200,000 for Turfgrass Environmental Stewardship;
 - \$150,000 for New York State Wine and Grape Foundation, for a total of \$1.2 million;
 - \$100,000 for Black Farmers United of NYS, for a total of \$200,000;
 - \$100,000 for Cannabis Association of NY;
 - \$100,000 for Cannabis Farmers Alliance;
 - \$75,000 for Cornell Vegetable Research, for a total of \$126,000;
 - \$75,000 for NYCAM/Cornell Workforce Development;
 - \$75,000 for Empire Sheep Producers;
 - \$50,000 for Cornell Concord Grape Research, for a total of \$252,000;
 - \$50,000 for Cornell Malting Barley Research, for a total of \$353,000;
 - \$50,000 for Local Fairs, for a total of \$550,000;
 - \$49,000 for NY Corn and Soybean Growers, for a total of \$125,000;
 - \$24,000 for New York State Distillers Guild, for a total of \$100,000; and
 - \$20,000 for Cornell Onion Research, for a total of \$71,000.
- The Assembly provides funding for the following new programs:
 - \$300,000 for the NY Natural Fibers Textile Work Group;
 - \$100,000 for City Harvest;
 - \$50,000 for the New York State Horse Council; and
 - \$50,000 for the NYS Vegetable Growers Association.
 - The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$30 million for direct payments to farmers adversely affected by tariffs, to ensure this funding is not allocated in a manner that is duplicative of benefits received by eligible farm operations from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Assistance for Specialty Crop Farmers Program, and to ensure transparency.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$10 million for companion animal shelters, an increase of \$5 million over the Executive proposal.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the proposal to transfer the administration of dairy and other agricultural marketing orders from the Empire State Development Corporation back to the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets.
- The Assembly accepts the proposal to extend the refundability provision of the investment tax credit for farmers by five years.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Economic Development

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$128.8 million, an increase of \$22.9 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides additional support for the following programs:
 - \$8.9 million in additional funding for the Centers for Advanced Technology, thereby allocating a total of \$1.5 million for each center;
 - \$9.0 million for the “traditional” Centers of Excellence, thereby allocating a total of \$1.5 million for each center;
 - \$3 million for the New York State Innovation Hot Spots and New York State Incubators, for a total of \$8 million; and
 - Expands the appropriation language within the New York State Innovation Hot Spots and Incubators program to include a carveout of \$300,000 for costs associated with the administration and coordination of regional hot spots throughout the State.
- The Assembly provides \$1.5 million for the RNA Research and Therapeutics Center of Excellence with the University of Rochester and University at Albany.
- The Assembly provides \$250,000 for the Eastern NY satellite to the Cornell Center of Excellence for Food Agriculture.
- The Assembly provides \$250,000 for the RPI Seed to City Center of Excellence.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
New York State Energy Research and Development Authority

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$90.4 million.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would make modifications to loan parameters and recording requirements under the Green Jobs-Green New York program.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would extend the authority for NYSERDA to receive funds from an assessment on utilities.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27

Department of Environmental Conservation

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$3.8 billion, an increase of \$115 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly does not include an Executive proposal for \$10 million for the Resilient and Adaptive Communities program, pending additional information.

Capital Projects

Environmental Protection Fund

- The Assembly provides \$500 million for the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), an increase of \$75 million over the Executive proposal. The Assembly makes various increases above the Executive proposal, including:
 - \$11 million for Land acquisition, for a total of \$53 million;
 - \$7.9 million for Municipal Recycling, for a total of \$27.5 million;
 - \$5.9 million for the Water Quality Improvement Program, for a total of \$3 million;
 - \$5 million for municipal parks, for a total of \$31 million;
 - \$5 million for farmland protection, for a total of \$30 million;
 - \$4.6 million for Public Access and Stewardship, for a total of \$55.1 million;
 - \$3.8 million for Environmental Health, for a total of \$15 million;
 - \$3.7 million for Environmental Justice, for a total of \$18 million;
 - \$3.5 million for Zoos, Botanical Gardens, and Aquaria (ZBGA), for a total of \$25 million;
 - \$3.5 million for Invasive Species, for a total of \$22 million;
 - \$3.4 million for Soil and Water Conservation Districts, for a total of \$22 million;
 - \$2.9 million for the Oceans and Great Lakes initiative, for a total of \$27.5 million;
 - \$2.9 million for the Long Island South Shore Estuary Preserve, for a total of \$5 million;

- \$2.4 million for State Climate Adaptation Projects, for a total of \$9 million;
 - \$1.5 million for Climate Smart Communities Projects, for a total of \$13.5 million;
 - \$1.5 million for the Finger Lakes Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance (FOLLOWPA), for a total of \$5 million;
 - \$1 million for non-agriculture non-point source pollution control, for a total of \$7 million;
 - \$1 million for the Pollution Prevention Institute, for a total of \$5.6 million;
 - \$800,000 for agriculture non-point source pollution control, for a total of \$19.5 million;
 - \$725,000 for Waterfront Revitalization, for a total of \$15 million;
 - \$675,000 for the Urban Farms and Community Garden Grants Program, for a total of \$3 million;
 - \$600,000 for Greenhouse Gas Management, for a total of \$3 million;
 - \$500,000 for Hudson River Estuary Plan, for a total of \$8 million;
 - \$400,000 for the Albany Pine Bush Preserve Commission, for a total of \$3.5 million;
 - \$350,000 for Secondary Marketing, for a total of \$1 million;
 - \$300,000 for the Hudson River Park, for a total of \$4.4 million;
 - \$150,000 for Biodiversity Stewardship, for a total of \$2 million;
 - \$100,000 for Smart Growth, for a total of \$4 million; and
 - \$100,000 for Agricultural Waste Management, for a total of \$2 million.
- The Assembly makes the following suballocations:
 - \$15 million for Inner City/Underserved Municipal Parks;
 - \$10 million for Adirondack and Catskill Park Overuse;
 - \$7.75 million for Invasive Species Eradication;
 - \$6 million for Food Waste Diversion;
 - \$5 million for Urban Forestry;
 - \$5 million for the Land Trust Alliance, including \$500,000 for grassland bird habitats;
 - \$5 million for Environmental Justice Air Monitoring Grants;
 - \$5 million for Children’s Environmental Health Centers;
 - \$5 million for Fresh Connect and SNAP EBT;
 - \$4.5 million for Connect Kids;
 - \$4 million for Friends Group Capacity Grants;
 - \$3 million for Land Trust Conservation Easements;
 - \$2 million for Survey of Climate Change and Adirondack Lake Ecosystems (SCALE);
 - \$2 million for the New York State Mesonet;
 - \$1.5 million for the Mohawk River Action Plan;
 - \$1.25 million for Timbuctoo, with an additional \$850,000 appropriated in SUNY;
 - \$1 million for the Cornell Soil Health Program;

- \$1 million for Municipal EV Fast Chargers;
 - \$1 million for the Cornell Agrivoltaics Study;
 - \$1 million for the Peconic Bay Estuary;
 - \$500,000 for the Billion Oyster Project;
 - \$500,000 for Resiliency Planting;
 - \$500,000 for Agricultural Forestry;
 - \$250,000 for Adirondack Mountain Club Welcome Centers;
 - \$200,000 for Save the Great South Bay;
 - \$200,000 for the Adirondack Watershed Institute; and
 - \$200,000 for the Atmospheric Sciences Research Center;
- The Assembly makes the following new suballocations:
 - \$5 million for Cornell AgriTech; and
 - \$3.25 million for the Center for Sustainable Materials Management.
- The \$75 million increase to the EPF is funded by increasing the General Fund transfer to the EPF by \$75 million.

Other Capital

Water Infrastructure

The Assembly provides \$800 million for Water Infrastructure, including:

- \$700 million for the Clean Water Infrastructure Act, an increase of \$200 million. The \$700 million is allocated as follows:
 - \$300 million for the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) and \$50 million for the Intermunicipal Water Infrastructure Grant program;
 - \$100 million for replacement of lead drinking water service lines;
 - \$85 million for Water Quality Improvement Projects;
 - \$72.5 million for projects to protect the New York City watershed;
 - \$30 million for septic systems and cesspools;
 - \$20 million for Green Infrastructure Projects;
 - \$15 million for land acquisition related to source water protection;
 - \$15 million for private drinking water well testing; and
 - \$12.5 million to address harmful algal blooms.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal for a new \$200 million appropriation related to water infrastructure for housing development.

- The Assembly provides \$50 million for purposes consistent with the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA), to be allocated to cities through a formula.
- The Assembly modifies an Executive proposal for \$50 million for water infrastructure projects related to housing preservation in rural communities, to ensure this funding is subject to the provisions of the water Infrastructure Improvement Act and that any administrative burdens for rural municipalities are minimized.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes a proposal to establish statutory criteria for the \$50 million capital appropriation for water infrastructure projects to promote housing preservation in rural communities.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive Budget proposal to revise the applicability of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) to new housing development and certain other projects with the intent of accelerating project approvals. While the Assembly has long recognized the need for additional affordable housing development in the state, and the importance of minimizing impacts to the environment, any SEQRA changes must carefully balance both these priorities.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would remove limits on rebates available to municipalities through the Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Grant Program.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the sale of three correctional facilities located on Adirondack Forest Preserve land or within a Forest Preserve county.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Metropolitan Transportation Authority

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.5 billion, an increase of \$15 million over the Executive proposal. In addition, the Assembly provides contingency appropriations of \$2.2 billion.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly includes \$15 million for a fare-free bus pilot program in the City of New York, with one fare-free bus route in each borough.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.
- The Assembly supports the MTA capital program, including advancing the Staten Island North Shore Bus Rapid Transit project, and the continued exploration of capacity improvement projects between Speonk and Montauk on the Long Island Rail Road.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes a proposal that would require the MTA to establish a fare-free bus pilot program in the City of New York. One route shall be established in each borough, with consideration for service adequacy and equity for low-income and economically disadvantaged communities, and access to employment and commercial activity.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to create mass transportation capital districts to facilitate tax increment financing of Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) capital projects for ten years. The modification would change the extension to one year.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to allow the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to conduct its State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) reviews for the Second Avenue Subway-West Project in two separate phases.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 New York Waterfront Commission

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$6.4 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 New York State Gaming Commission

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$493.6 million, an increase of \$540,000 over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides \$540,000 for Standardbred drug testing.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to make various technical, conforming, and cleanup amendments to the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law following actions taken in the SFY 2025-26 Enacted Budget.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend Capital Off-Track Betting Corporation's authorization to use Capital Acquisition Funds for alternative purposes by one year.
- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to permanently extend certain current pari-mutuel tax rates and out of state simulcasting provisions, to extend these provisions for one year.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the existing licensure exemptions for certain seasonal employees at Saratoga racetrack for additional race days occurring in 2026, by one year, to account for the final running of the Belmont Stakes at Saratoga in 2026.

- The Assembly includes language to provide for Standardbred drug testing.
- The Assembly recognizes that a request has been made to change the video lottery terminal (VLT) tax rate for a specific facility that on average has a lower vendor fee compared to other facilities. While that request was not included, the Assembly is open to having conversations about whether the rates for that specific facility should change and why.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Motor Vehicles

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$490 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend for two years the law increasing certain DMV fees and directing their deposit into the Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund and authorizing the payment of DMV operating costs from such fund.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend for two years the authorization for DMV to establish and implement a program to deliver approved accident prevention courses for point and insurance reduction, by the internet or other technologies
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend for two years the law authorizing the demonstration and testing of autonomous vehicles on public roads.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to require motorcycle license applicants to take a rider safety training course.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish a pilot program requiring certain persons violating speed limits in the City of New York to install an intelligent speed assistance device on any vehicle they own or operate.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Olympic Regional Development Authority

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$114.1 million, unchanged from the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal for \$100 million in total capital funding:
 - to include a carve out of \$10 million to create a grant program for independent ski mountains to acquire energy efficient snowmaking equipment; and
 - to require that the strategic modernization and investment plan approved by the Director of the Division of Budget be submitted to the Senate and Assembly.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$1.1 billion, an increase of \$60 million over the Executive Proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly includes \$30 million for NY SWIMS (NY Statewide Investment in More Swimming).
- The Assembly includes \$20 million for NY PLAYS (NY Places for Learning, Activity and Youth Socialization).
- The Assembly restores \$10 million in capital funding for zoos, botanical gardens, and aquaria.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27

Department of Public Service

The Assembly is committed to addressing the rising cost of utilities, while ensuring the future stability of the power grid. The following proposals will provide both immediate relief, and long-term planning to ensure that residential ratepayers are not burdened with unnecessary costs in the future.

The Assembly proposes funding for Protect Our Wallets Energy Rebate (POWER) checks to provide ratepayer relief from the rising cost of utility bills:

- Eligible residential ratepayers with incomes below \$150,000 would receive a rebate check in the amount of \$500, and eligible residential ratepayers with incomes between \$150,000 and \$300,000 would receive a rebate check in the amount of \$300. Rebate checks would be paid to ratepayers in the fall of 2026.
- The Assembly includes an Article VII proposal for NYSEDA and DPS to develop a program to partially offset the POWER rebate cost to the State, requiring them to:
 - examine the financial documents of power generators to determine if there are excess profits resulting from the sale of commodities in the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) market; and
 - return any profits determined to be excess profits, made after January 1, 2026, to the State.
- To further offset the cost to the State for the POWER initiative, the Assembly includes an Article VII proposal to impose a new tiered excise tax on the energy used in certain digital asset mining facilities using proof-of-work authentication methods.

To prevent near-term rate increases, the Assembly includes an Article VII proposal for a two-year moratorium on implementing rate increases already approved in electric and gas rate cases and any new action taken by the Public Service Commission or Long Island Power Authority that would effectuate an increase in electric or gas rates or charges, during which:

- A newly established Blue-Ribbon Commission on Residential Affordability Through Energy Savings (RATES), will study the causes and origins of rising utility rates and recommend actions or reforms to reduce such rates. At a minimum, the following shall be considered:
 - Regulating electric power generation companies, including:
 - strengthening the regulatory role of the PSC over commodities;
 - whether or not to allow regulated utilities to construct, own, and operate power generation facilities; and
 - current profit (Return on Equity) determinations and methods to increase transparency.
- Providing state subsidies to shift certain costs off ratepayers.
- The Assembly proposal shifts the assessment imposed pursuant to section 18-a of the Public Service Law from ratepayer's monthly utility bills to the General Fund, providing \$163.4 million in ratepayer relief.
- The Assembly proposes \$1 million for costs associated with the RATES Commission.

The Assembly includes the following new Article VII proposals and related funding, that would:

- provide \$1 million to support reasonable expenses of utility intervenors that participate in PSC proceedings like utility rate cases; and
- provide \$2.1 million to establish an independent State Office of Utility Consumer Advocate (UCA) within the Department of Public Service, and repeal the Utility Intervention Unit in the Department of State.

Other Items

- The Assembly modifies a proposal for \$33 million for the Excelsior Power Program, to ensure this funding is subject to the provisions of an Assembly Article VII proposal.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes a new proposal to establish parameters for the “Excelsior Power Program” incentive for the utilization of smart thermostats. Parameters include ensuring that participants can opt-out without charge and energy usage information is protected.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would require utilities, as part of a rate case, to submit an alternative ‘budget constrained’ rate proposal tied to the rate of inflation and disclosure of executive compensation and allow PSC to institute certain performance-based incentive targets.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would extend the maximum time allowed for consideration of utility rate cases and allow PSC to establish multi-year rate plans.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal that would require PSC to develop an energy affordability index to identify energy burden among residential customers; require utility reporting on energy burden; and allow the PSC to install an independent affordability monitor within a utility that fails to meet certain energy burden criteria.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of State

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$952.4 million, an increase of \$224.9 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides an additional \$1.3 million for the Authorities Budget Office to support an additional five full-time equivalents (FTEs).

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly restores \$20 million and provides an additional \$90.8 million for programs that assist non-citizens, for a total of \$110.8 million.
- The Assembly restores \$90 million for entities providing workforce development, education, economic, healthcare, housing assistance and civic engagement programs in underserved communities.
- The Assembly provides \$20 million for census planning.
- The Assembly restores \$2.5 million and provides an additional \$250,000 for the Public Utility Law Project (PULP), for a total of \$2.75 million.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to prohibit retail sellers from advertising a reduction in the price of an item unless the former price is the actual price of the product offered for sale to the public.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Department of Taxation and Finance

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$527.6 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Division of Tax Appeals

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.7 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- Not applicable.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27

Department of Transportation

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$14.2 billion, an increase of \$346 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly provides \$375.4 million for upstate transit operating assistance, an increase of \$5.9 million above the Executive proposal, reflecting a \$26 million, or 7.4 percent increase from last year.
- The Assembly provides \$1 million in one-time operating funding to the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CENTRO) for the costs associated with incorporating Cortland County into their service area.
- The Assembly includes \$15 million for a fare-free bus program in the City of New York, with one fare-free bus route in each borough.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly provides \$1.5 billion in Local Capital Aid, an increase of \$150 million over the Executive proposal, including:
 - \$50 million for CHIPs, for a total of \$698.1 million;
 - \$50 million for Local Pave NY, which is distributed through the CHIPs formula, for a total of \$200 million; and
 - \$50 million for the State Touring Route program, for a total of \$190 million.
- The Assembly proposal expands the eligible purposes of the State Touring Route program to include vehicles and equipment to make the eligibility of this funding identical to the CHIPs eligibility criteria.
- The Assembly provides \$326 million for non-MTA Transit Capital, an increase of \$126 million over the Executive proposal, including:

- \$100 million for non-MTA transit capital statewide; and
 - the restoration of \$26 million for the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA) light rail system.
- The Assembly provides an increase of \$12.5 million for the Aviation Capital Grant Program, for a total of \$25 million.
- The Assembly provides an increase of \$35.5 million for passenger rail projects.

Article VII

- The Assembly proposes to not include the Executive proposal that would authorize DOT, the Thruway Authority, the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority, and the Bridge Authority to operate work zone speed cameras in work zones located on real property under their respective jurisdictions.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Urban Development Corporation

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$2.2 billion, an increase of \$679.9 million over the Executive proposal.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly proposes to restore:
 - \$5 million for Alive Downtowns!, and provides an additional \$3 million, for a total of \$8 million; and
 - \$250,000 for the Minority and Women-Owned Business Development and Lending Program, and provides an additional \$1.1 million, for a program total of \$2 million.
- The Assembly proposes to provide:
 - \$25 million in operating support for public and private museums;
 - \$10 million in support of the expansion of alternative teacher certifications and modifies the appropriation language to allow Not-For-Profit organization to be eligible;
 - \$8 million in support for upselling school paraprofessionals;
 - \$7 million in support of various economic initiatives;
 - \$2.5 million for an innovation venture competition program located in the Finger Lakes region which supports imaging and photonics; and
 - \$2 million for not-for-profit small theater venues located outside New York City.
- The Assembly modifies the appropriation supporting promotional initiatives for various economic development programs by removing support for the START-UP NY Program.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly proposes to provide:
 - \$200 million for public and private museums, arts and cultural organizations, as well as greenhouses;
 - \$200 million for various capital improvements to municipal, educational institution, and other not-for-profit owned sport facilities, as well as municipal and not-for-profit owned convention centers across the State;
 - \$200 million for infrastructure improvements to produce, meat, and farmers markets, and other food hubs across the State;
 - \$15 million for another round of New York Fund for Innovation in Research and Scientific Talent (NYFIRST) grant awards to support academic medical centers;
 - \$1 million for a development study of the W. Averell Harriman State Office Building Campus; and
 - modifies an appropriation totaling \$225 million, supporting economic development initiatives in the City of Rochester and county of Monroe to include public safety initiatives.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the authorization for the Urban Development Corporation to administer the Empire State Economic Development Fund for one year.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the general loan powers of the Urban Development Corporation for one year.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27
Miscellaneous: Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental

Sustainable Future Program

- The Assembly restores funding for the Sustainable Future Program, and allocates the \$1 billion as follows:
 - \$200 million for thermal energy networks;
 - \$200 million for NYPA renewable energy projects;
 - \$190 million for emissions reductions programs at the Division of Housing and Community Renewal (DHCR), including at least \$40 million for DHCR's Weatherization Program;
 - \$160 million over two years for the Empower Plus program;
 - \$100 million for electric school buses and related infrastructure;
 - \$50 million for EV fast charging for medium and heavy duty vehicles;
 - \$50 million for the Clean Green Schools initiative; and
 - \$50 million for Charge Ready NY.

New York Power Authority

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Public Facilities Sustainability Program

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Green Thumb Program

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Greenway Heritage Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Legislature & Judiciary

By Agency

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Legislature

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$311.7 million.

State Operations

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- Not applicable.

Article VII

- The Assembly includes language to extend the authority of various legislative commissions for one additional year.

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Judiciary

The Assembly provides an All Funds appropriation of \$4.5 billion, an increase of \$6.8 million over the Executive proposal.

The Assembly is committed to addressing the need for additional judges in New York City and supports an additional ten civil court judges and five housing court judges in New York City.

State Operations

- The Assembly provides \$6.8 million for problem solving courts, for a total of \$40 million.

Aid to Localities

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal and recommends no changes.

Article VII

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish the New York State Bivens Act.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to establish market-based interest rate on court judgments.

Debt Service

Assembly Budget Proposal SFY 2026-27 Capital and Debt

The Assembly accepts the Debt Service appropriation of \$10.6 billion. The Assembly provides All Funds Capital appropriations totaling \$43.3 billion, an increase of \$23.3 billion over the Executive.

State Operations

- Not applicable.

Aid to Localities

- Not applicable.

Capital Projects

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide \$2.2 billion in additional support for the Housing Capital Plan, including:
 - \$750 million for Mitchell-Lama Preservation;
 - \$750 million for NYCHA;
 - \$225 million for Public Housing outside of New York City;
 - \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Co-op Program;
 - \$125 million for the New York Housing for the Future Rental Program;
 - \$100 million for the Homeless Housing and Assistance Program;
 - \$52 million for Land Banks;
 - \$25 million for Rochdale Village;
 - \$10 million for the Small Rental Housing Development Initiative;
 - \$4 million for the Access to Home program;
 - \$2.6 million for Housing Opportunities for the Elderly; and
 - \$2 million for the Green Affordable Program.

- The Assembly modifies the Executive proposal to provide additional support for the following initiatives:
 - \$80 million for Non-MTA Transit, for a total of \$280 million;
 - \$75 million for the Environmental Protection Fund, for a total of \$500 million;
 - \$60 million for NYSCA, for a total of \$100 million;
 - \$50 million for CHIPS/Other Local Funding, for a total of \$978 million;
 - \$50 million for Clean Water Infrastructure, for a total of \$800 million;
 - \$36 million for Library Capital Grants, for a total of \$70 million; and
 - \$5 million for Animal Shelters, for a total of \$10 million.

- The Assembly proposes the following initiatives:
 - \$10 billion for the SUNY 5-Year Capital Plan;
 - \$7.8 billion for the CUNY 5-Year Capital Plan;
 - \$1 billion for Healthcare Facility Capital;
 - \$1 billion for the Sustainable Future Program;
 - \$200 million for Food Hubs;
 - \$200 million for Museums, Arts & Cultural Organizations, as well as Greenhouses;
 - \$200 million for Sports Facility and Convention Center Upgrades;
 - \$50 million for Local Pave NY;
 - \$50 million for State Touring Routes;
 - \$50 million for the Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program;
 - \$40 million for HECap;
 - \$35.5 million for Passenger Rail;
 - \$30 million for NY SWIMS;
 - \$30 million for Public Benefits System Modernization;
 - \$26 million for NFTA Rail;
 - \$20 million for Upstate Transit Capital;
 - \$20 million for NY PLAYS;
 - \$15 million for NY FIRST;
 - \$12.5 million for Aviation;
 - \$10 million for the Volunteer Fire Infrastructure & Response Equipment Grant Program;
 - \$10 million for ZBGA Capital; and
 - \$3.3 million for EQUAL Capital.

- The Assembly proposes to shift the \$200 million Executive proposed new funding for water infrastructure for housing to the Clean Water Infrastructure Act of 2017, which includes \$100 million for lead drinking water services lines.

- The Assembly expands appropriation within the Correctional Facilities Capital Improvement Program to provide a carveout of \$5 million for the Heat Mitigation Pilot.

- The Assembly expands appropriation language within the Correctional Facilities Capital Improvement program to provide a carryout of \$5 million for the Heat Mitigation Pilot Program.
- The Assembly further modifies the following bond caps:
 - SUNY Education facilities increased from \$20.9 billion to \$31.7 billion;
 - CUNY Senior and Community Colleges increased from \$12.3 billion to \$20.5 billion;
 - Housing Programs increased from \$16.8 billion to \$19.8 billion;
 - Environmental Infrastructure increased from \$14.5 billion to \$17.8 billion;
 - Economic Development Initiatives increased from \$23.7 billion to \$25.9 billion;
 - Transportation Initiatives increased from \$17.0 billion to \$18.7 billion;
 - CHIPS and Local Highway Projects increased from \$15.8 billion to \$16.9 billion;
 - Healthcare Facilities increased from \$6.2 billion to \$8.2 billion;
 - Modernization of ITS and Equipment increased from \$693 million to \$823 million;
 - Library Facilities increased from \$455 million to \$525 million; and
 - Corrections and Community Supervision increased from \$11.1 billion to \$11.5 billion.
- The Assembly proposes the following bond caps:
 - \$11.4 billion for SONYMA, an increase of \$500 million;
 - \$465 million for the Higher Education Capital Matching Program, an increase of \$40 million;
 - \$220 million for the Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program, an increase of \$50 million; and
 - \$10 million for the Volunteer Fire Infrastructure & Response Equipment Program.

Article VII

- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to authorize the New York State Comptroller to transfer amounts from the Special Revenue Account or Enterprise Fund to the General Fund in an amount not to exceed the principal and interest due to NYPA by SUNY and CUNY.
- The Assembly accepts the Executive proposal to extend the role of the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to create certain subsidiaries for an additional two years, through July 1, 2028.

- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize the permanent issuance of up to \$3 billion in short-term PIT notes.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to amend the Debt Reform Act to include refunding bonds in its debt calculations.
- The Assembly does not include the Executive proposal to authorize payments in lieu of taxes in connection with leases by the Brooklyn Marine Terminal Development Corporation for certain planned residential units.