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April 3, 2013

Dear Ms. Sassower,

Your correspondence dated March 26, 2013 was received in this office on that date.

You have requested certain records in relation to the Assembly's consideration of the New York State Budget for fiscal year 2013-2014.

With regard to your request for records in relation to the Assembly's review of the Judiciary Budget (Assembly Bill 3001) and certain provisions of the budget relating to the Division of Criminal Justice Services, which I am advised is located in the Aid to Localities Budget (Assembly Bill 3003), the following records are maintained by the Assembly and are available for public inspection and copying:

- 1. A Statistical and Narrative Summary of the Executive Budget (Yellow Book) issued January 28, 2013. This record is posted on the Assembly website.
- 2. Joint Legislative Budget Schedule issued February 1, 2013. This record is posted on the Assembly website.
- 3. New York State Economic Report and New York State Revenue Report, issued February 27, 2013. These records are posted on the Assembly website.
- 4. Joint Legislative Hearing Schedule on the 2013-2014 Executive Budget Proposal issued January 23, 2013. The hearing schedule provides for thirteen public hearings between January 28 and February 27, 2013, including a joint budget hearing to be held on February 6, 2013 relating to public protection. This schedule is posted on the Assembly website. Such hearings were televised, webcast, and open to the public; video of such hearings were posted and continue to be viewable on the Assembly website. A written transcript of the February 6th hearing on public protection is pending and will be posted on the Assembly website shortly.
- 5. Summary of the Assembly Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Proposal, issued March 11, 2013. This record is posted on the Assembly website.

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- 6. Assembly Resolution E182, which was debated and voted upon on March 11, 2013, is available on the Assembly website, as is the roll call. The debate may be viewed on the Assembly website. A written transcript is pending and will be posted on the Assembly website shortly. Similarly, committee agendas, attendance records, and votes are available for public inspection and copying, including in relation to the Ways and Means committee meeting which took place on March 11th in relation to Assembly Resolution E182. Committee meetings are not videotaped or transcribed.
- 7. Joint Conference Committee meetings, including those in relation to Public Protection, are videotaped and may be viewed on the Assembly website. The Assembly website indicates that Joint Conference Committees on Public Protection were held on March 12th, March 14th and March 19th. Written transcripts are pending and will be posted shortly.
- 8. Summary of the Recommended Changes to the Executive Budget Proposal, issued March 28, 2013. This record is posted on the Assembly website.
- 9. Budget bills passed by the Assembly are posted on the Assembly website, as are the roll calls. The debates of such bills may be viewed on the Assembly website. Assembly bill 3001 and Assembly bill 3003 were considered by the Assembly on March 28, 2013. Written transcripts of the floor debate will be posted shortly. As noted above, committee agendas, committee attendance, and committee votes are available for public inspection and copying, including the agenda and attendance for the March 28, 2013 Ways and Means Committee and the votes taken therein in relation to Assembly bills 3001 and 3003. Committee meetings are not videotaped or transcribed.
- 10. Previous versions of such bills are also available for public inspection and copying.

With regard to your request for "Ways and Means Committee reports analyzing or reviewing the testimony presented, or alerting committee members and other legislators to testimony of a substantive nature," please be advised that no reports, other than those noted above, were issued by the Ways and Means Committee in relation to the budget.

Please let me know if you are interested in receiving a hard copy of any of the records described above or if I can assist you in locating these documents on the Assembly website.

Sincerely, Katie Bender Deputy Records Access Officer