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TO:

Senate Records Access Officer/Secretary of the Senate Francis Patience

FROM:

Elena Ruth Sassower, Director

Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

RE:

Clarifying your March 31, 2017 response to CJA's March 24, 2017 FOIL/RECORDS

REQUEST - RE: March 12, 2016 "amending" of Governor Cuomo's budget bills for

fiscal year 2016-2017

This replies to your March 31, 2017 e-mail regarding CJA's March 24, 2017 FOIL request for records pertaining to the March 12, 2016 "amending" of eight of Governor Cuomo's budget bills for fiscal year 2016-2017. For your convenience, a copy of the exchange is enclosed.

You state that 2,920 pages, costing \$730, are responsive, but that "any additional records requested, if the records even exist, are not subject to disclosure pursuant to Senate Rules".

Please clarify as to how many of the 2,920 pages are responsive, as to each of the eight budget bills, to #1, #3, and #4 of my request for:

- records showing the 'non-sponsor' who introduced the amendment, since it "(1)obviously, was not the Governor;
- (3) records showing the date and time of the Senate Finance Committee meeting at which the motion to amend was on its agenda – and the notice thereof furnished to Senate Finance Committee members and the public, required by Senate Rule VIII, §2...;
- records of the Senate Finance Committee meeting at which the motion to (4)amend was deliberated and voted upon, including the number of senators present and the number of senators who had submitted voting sheets – and the vote on the motion to amend, including the votes of each member, such as required by Senate Rule VIII, §2..."

I would certainly like to purchase these specific pages, at a cost of \$.25 per page. As to the balance, are these responsive to #2 of my request for:

> "records showing what specific changes the amendment made, as for instance, the 'detail sheets' and 'amended memorandum', required by Senate Rule VII, §4(b)..."?

Thank you.

Enclosures

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