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TO: New York State Senate
Francis W. Patience, Secretary of the Senate

New York State Assembly
Robin Marilla, Records Access Officer

FROM: Elena Ruth Sassower, Director
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)


RE: The Legislature's Certified Itemized Estimates of its Financial Needs for
Fiscal Year 2017-2018, as Required by Article VII, §1 of the New York State
Constitution

Please advise where on the Senate and Assembly websites are the "Itemized estimates of the financial needs of the legislature, certified by the presiding officer of each house" for fiscal year 2017-2018, which Article VII, §1 of the New York State Constitution requires the Senate and Assembly to have transmitted to the Governor by yesterday, December 1, 2016.

Please note I am looking to examine a copy of the actual documents, with their certifications – comparable to what the Judiciary yesterday posted on its website for the "itemized estimates" it transmitted to the Governor pursuant to Article VII, §1 of the New York State Constitution. For your convenience, here's the direct link to those judiciary budget documents from the Unified Court System's website: <http://www.nycourts.gov/admin/financialops/Budgets.shtml>.

In the event the Legislature has not yet posted its certified itemized estimates of its financial needs for fiscal year 2017-2018 on its Senate and Assembly websites, kindly confirm that such will be done promptly. Meantime, pursuant to Senate Rule XV ("Freedom of Information") and Assembly VIII ("Public Access to Information"), please furnish me with a copy.

Thank you.



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