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Subject: Why You Must Vote AGAINST A.246 Establishing a Special Commission on Compensation of Managerial & Confidential State Employees

TO: ALL ASSEMBLY MEMBERS

Among the myriad of bills before you is a bill unlike any other: A.246. It creates a special commission on compensation of managerial and confidential state employees whose recommendations will become law without requiring any affirmative action by the Legislature.

This is unconstitutional and demonstrably dangerous – and such is set forth by our April 20th memorandum to the members of the Assembly Committee on Governmental Employees and by our April 26th memorandum to the members of the Assembly Ways & Means Committee, laying out the constitutional, statutory, and other infirmities of the bill and supporting sponsor's memo.

We urge you to read these memoranda – so that you will have no doubt as to your duty to OPPOSE A.246. They are posted on our website, www.judgewatch.org. Here's the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/judicial-compensation-progeny.htm>.

Upon your reading them, the dysfunction of both the Assembly Committee on Governmental Employees and Assembly Ways & Means Committee will be obvious, as likewise the dysfunction of the Rules Committee, whose members were given notice of our April 20th and April 26th memoranda yesterday. Needless to say, NOT one of these three committees has rendered a committee report on A.246, identifying and making findings with respect to our fact-specific, law-supported opposition.

Thank you.

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