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Dear Ms. Sassower:

I am in receipt of your correspondence dated February 9, 2016, regarding the Assembly Committee on Ethics and Guidance.

In relation to your question regarding annual reports, the Assembly posts the annual reports submitted by its committees on the Assembly website (URL: http://assembly.state.ny.us/comm/). Please note that, by long-standing practice, ethics-related bills are considered by the Assembly Standing Committee on Governmental Operations. Annual reports issued by the Governmental Operations Committee from 2001 to the present are posted on the website.

In response to your question regarding the jurisdiction of the Ethics and Guidance Committee, the Rules of the Assembly are posted on the Assembly website (URL: http://assembly.state.ny.us/Rules/). I have located the following provisions of the Rules related to the Ethics and Guidance Committee: Rule IV, §1(a) and (b) and Rule IV § 13. In addition, Rule I, §§5, 6, and §7 direct to Speaker to promulgate policies relating to sexual harassment, discrimination, and non-fraternization with student interns. The Ethics and Guidance Committee has responsibilities under the policies promulgated pursuant to these Rules. The policies are available for public inspection and copying.

I hope this is helpful to you.

Sincerely, Robin L. Marilla