

Center for Judicial Accountability

From: Center for Judicial Accountability <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 12:54 PM
To: Senate Foil (foil@nysenate.gov)
Subject: Interpreting your April 15, 2015 E-Mail: CJA's April 8, 2015 FOIL/records request pertaining to amendment of Budget Bill #S.2001/A.3001
Attachments: 4-8-15-foil-amendment-2001-3001.pdf; open-senate-S2001a-A3001a.pdf

Dear Secretary of the Senate Patience,

Below is your April 15, 2015 e-mail response to CJA's April 8, 2015 FOIL/records request, a further copy of which is attached.

Your April 15, 2015 e-mail does not identify the pertinent Senate Finance Committee hearing which I should view. Examining the webpages of Senate Finance Committee meetings, it appears that the Senate Finance Committee NEVER voted on the amendments to Legislative/Judiciary Budget Bill #S.2001. Rather, it only voted on an already-amended Budget Bill #S.2001-A -- and did so at the meeting which took place on "Monday, March 30th, 2015, 3:33 pm - 4:26 pm", accessible by this link: <http://www.nysenate.gov/event/2015/mar/30/finance-meeting> (at 21 seconds to one minute, 31 seconds). Please confirm that this is what you have referred me to -- and that you have no stenographic transcript.

As for your advice that you have "copies of Senate-Assembly Bill S.2001 / A.3001 and Senate-Assembly Bill S.2001A /A.300A along with the bill status page and floor voting records", please confirm that with the exception of the unamended/original bill, everything you are offering me for \$24.95 (98 pages @\$0.25 page) is available from the OPEN Senate webpage for Budget Bill #S.2001-A. In other words, please confirm that your "bill status page" and "floor voting records" do not furnish any additional information beyond that on the attached print-outs of your OPEN Senate webpages for Budget Bill #S.2001-A - and #A.3001-A, to wit, you have no memoranda, fiscal notes, fiscal impact statements, and committee reports for either the amended bill or the unamended bill, you have no records showing who introduced the amendment, what it consisted of, its basis, the fiscal impact of the changes it made; and the cumulative dollar total of the amended bill, as compared with the unamended bill.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)
914-421-1200

-----Original Message-----

From: Senate Foil [<mailto:foil@nysenate.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 1:08 PM
To: Center for Judicial Accountability
Subject: Re: Records Request: Amendment to Budget Bill #S.2001/A.3001

April 15, 2015

Ms. Elena Ruth Sassower, Director
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc.
Post Office Box 8101
White Plains, NY 10602

elena@judgewatch.org

Dear Ms. Sassower:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email dated April 8, 2015 pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law.

You are requesting ... " Amendment to Budget Bill #S.2001/A.3001; Appropriations & Re-Appropriations for the Legislature & Judiciary ... ".

If you wish to logon to the Senate's public website www.nysenate.gov, follow the prompts to Committees; All Committees and Finance Committee.

Video recordings are available for public viewing.

Please be advised copies of Senate-Assembly Bill S.2001 / A. 3001 and Senate-Assembly Bill S.2001A / A.3001A along with the bill status page and floor voting records are available.

When we receive a check in the amount of \$24.50 (98 pages @ \$.25 per page) made payable to the New York State Senate, we will forward the material.

I have attached a copy of the Senate's Rules and Regulations Relating to the Public Inspection and Copying of Legislative Records for your information.

Sincerely,

Francis W. Patience
Secretary of the Senate

(See attached file: Rules and Regulations March 2013.pdf)

From: "Center for Judicial Accountability" <elena@judgewatch.org>

To: "Senate Foil" <foil@nysenate.gov>,
<marillr@assembly.state.ny.us>

Date: 04/08/2015 10:52 AM

Subject: Records Request: Amendment to Budget Bill #S.2001/A.3001

Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's records request of today's date pertaining to Budget Bill #S.2001/A.3001.

Please do not combine your response to this request with your response to our records requests pertaining to the Joint Budget Conference Committees, etc.

Your expeditious response would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) www.judgewatch.org
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[attachment "4-8-15-foil-amendment-2001-3001.pdf" deleted by Senate Foil/senate]



Bill S2001A-2015

LEGISLATURE AND JUDICIARY BUDGET

Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.

Details

- Same as: A3001A-2015
 - Versions S2001-2015 S2001A-2015
 - Sponsor:BUDGET
 - Multi-sponsor(s): None
 - Co-sponsor(s): None
 - Law Section: Budget Bills
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Actions

- Apr 13, 2015: SIGNED CHAP.51
 - Apr 1, 2015: DELIVERED TO GOVERNOR
 - Mar 31, 2015: returned to senate
 - Mar 31, 2015: passed assembly
 - Mar 31, 2015: ordered to third reading rules cal.12
 - Mar 31, 2015: substituted for a3001a
 - Mar 31, 2015: referred to ways and means
 - Mar 31, 2015: DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY
 - Mar 31, 2015: PASSED SENATE
 - Mar 30, 2015: ORDERED TO THIRD READING CAL.308
 - Mar 28, 2015: PRINT NUMBER 2001A
 - Mar 28, 2015: AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO FINANCE
 - Jan 21, 2015: REFERRED TO FINANCE
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Meetings

- Finance: Mar 30, 2015
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Calendars

- Active List: Mar 31, 2015
- Floor Calendar: Mar 30, 2015
- Floor Calendar: Mar 31, 2015

Votes

VOTE: COMMITTEE VOTE: - Finance - Mar 30, 2015

Ayes (23): DeFrancisco, Bonacic, Farley, Flanagan, Gallivan, Golden, Griffo, Hannon, Lanza, Larkin, LaValle, Little, Marcellino, Martins, Nozzolio, O'Mara, Ranzenhofer, Ritchie, Robach, Savino, Seward, Valesky, Young

Ayes W/R (13): Krueger, Breslin, Diaz, Dilan, Espaillat, Hassell-Thompson, Kennedy, Montgomery, Peralta, Perkins, Rivera, Squadron, Stavisky

Nays (1): Parker

VOTE: FLOOR VOTE: - Mar 31, 2015

Ayes (60): Addabbo, Amedore, Avella, Bonacic, Boyle, Breslin, Carlucci, Comrie, Croci, DeFrancisco, Diaz, Dilan, Espaillat, Farley, Felder, Flanagan, Funke, Gallivan, Gianaris, Golden, Griffo, Hamilton, Hannon, Hassell-Thomps, Hoylman, Kennedy, Klein, Krueger, Lanza, Larkin, Latimer, LaValle, Little, Marcellino, Marchione, Martins, Montgomery, Murphy, Nozzolio, O'Mara, Ortt, Panepinto, Peralta, Ranzenhofer, Ritchie, Rivera, Robach, Sampson, Sanders, Savino, Serino, Serrano, Seward, Skelos, Squadron, Stavisky, Stewart-Cousin, Valesky, Venditto, Young

Nays (2): Parker, Perkins

Excused (1): Libous



Bill A3001A-2015

LEGISLATURE AND JUDICIARY BUDGET

Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.

Details

- Same as: S2001A-2015
 - Versions A3001-2015 A3001A-2015
 - Sponsor: BUDGET BILL
 - Multi-sponsor(s): None
 - Co-sponsor(s): None
 - Law Section: Budget Bills
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Actions

- Mar 31, 2015: substituted by s2001a
- Mar 30, 2015: ordered to third reading rules cal.12
- Mar 30, 2015: rules report cal.12
- Mar 30, 2015: reported
- Mar 30, 2015: reported referred to rules
- Mar 28, 2015: print number 3001a
- Mar 28, 2015: amend and recommit to ways and means
- Jan 21, 2015: referred to ways and means

government

(LEGISLATURE AND JUDICIARY BUDGET)

Summary:

This bill would enact appropriations in support of the Legislature and Judiciary for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2014-15, and includes an All Funds appropriation of \$2.9 billion.

Justification:

Enactment of this legislation is necessary to provide for the operations of the Assembly, Senate and the Unified Court System throughout SFY 2014-15.

Fiscal Impact:

This bill authorizes disbursements of up to \$2.7 billion from the General Fund and up to \$2.9 billion on an All Funds basis.

Effective Date:

Effective immediately, and the appropriations contained in this bill shall be made for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2014.

S06351 Summary:

BILL NO S06351A

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SPONSOR BUDGET

COSPNSR

MLTSPNSR

Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislative and Juc Budget.

S06351 Actions:

BILL NO S06351A

01/21/2014 REFERRED TO FINANCE

03/28/2014 AMEND AND RECOMMIT TO FINANCE

03/28/2014 PRINT NUMBER 6351A

03/31/2014 ORDERED TO THIRD READING CAL.369

03/31/2014 PASSED SENATE

03/31/2014 DELIVERED TO ASSEMBLY

03/31/2014 referred to ways and means

03/31/2014 substituted for a8551a

03/31/2014 ordered to third reading rules cal.27

03/31/2014 passed assembly

03/31/2014 returned to senate

03/31/2014 DELIVERED TO GOVERNOR

S06351 Votes:

S06351A 03/31/2014

129/9

Abbate	Y	Corwin	Y	Glick	Y	Lavine	Y	Nolan	ER	Rozic	Y	Titus	Y
Abinant	Y	Crespo	Y	Goldfed	Y	Lentol	Y	Oaks	NO	Russell	Y	Walter	Y
Arroyo	Y	Crouch	Y	Goodell	Y	Lifton	Y	O'Donne	Y	Ryan	Y	Weinste	Y
Aubry	Y	Curran	Y	Gottfri	Y	Lopez	Y	Ortiz	Y	Saladin	Y	Weisenb	Y
Barclay	Y	Cusick	Y	Graf	Y	Lupardo	Y	Otis	Y	Santaba	Y	Weprin	Y
Barrett	Y	Cymbrow	Y	Gunther	Y	Lupinac	Y	Palmesa	Y	Scarbor	Y	Wright	Y
Benedet	Y	Davila	Y	Hawley	Y	Magee	Y	Palumbo	Y	Schimel	Y	Zebrows	Y
Blanken	Y	DenDekk	Y	Heastie	Y	Magnare	Y	Paulin	Y	Schimmi	Y	Mr Spkr	Y
Borelli	Y	Dinowit	Y	Hennes	Y	Malliot	Y	Peoples	Y	Sepulve	Y		
Braunst	Y	DiPietr	NO	Hevesi	Y	Markey	Y	Perry	Y	Simanow	Y		
Brennan	Y	Duprey	Y	Hikind	Y	Mayer	Y	Pichard	Y	Simotas	Y		
Brindis	Y	Englebr	Y	Hooper	Y	McDonal	Y	Pretlow	Y	Skartad	Y		
Bronson	Y	Fahy	Y	Jacobs	Y	McDonou	Y	Quart	Y	Skoufis	Y		
Brook-K	Y	Farrell	Y	Jaffee	Y	McKevit	Y	Ra	Y	Solages	Y		

Buchwal	Y	Finch	Y	Johns	Y	McLaugh	NO	Raia	Y	Stec	Y
Butler	Y	Fitzpat	Y	Katz	NO	Miller	Y	Ramos	Y	Steck	Y
Cahill	Y	Friend	NO	Kavanag	Y	Millman	Y	Rivera	Y	Stirpe	Y
Camara	Y	Galef	Y	Kearns	Y	Montesa	Y	Roberts	Y	Sweeney	Y
Ceretto	Y	Gantt	ER	Kellner	Y	Morelle	Y	Robinso	Y	Tedisco	NO
Clark	Y	Garbari	Y	Kim	Y	Mosley	Y	Rodrigu	Y	Tenney	NO
Colton	Y	Giglio	Y	Kolb	Y	Moya	Y	Rosa	Y	Thiele	Y
Cook	Y	Gjonaj	Y	Lalor	NO	Nojay	NO	Rosenth	Y	Titone	Y

S06351 Memo:

✓ Memo not available