March 1, 2016

Via Email: elena@judgewatch.org
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Dear Ms. Sassower:

The Executive Chamber acknowledges receipt of your FOIL request dated February 23, 2016, seeking:

> (1) records reflecting the process/procedures by which the Legislature's budget for fiscal year 2016-2017 was compiled;
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> (2) records pertaining to the Legislature's "General State Charges" for fiscal year 2016-2017, missing from the Legislature's budget transmitted to Governor Cuomo by the December 1,2015 coverletter signed by Temporary Senate President Flanagan and Assembly Speaker Heastie - in particular, records of their certification, cumulative dollar amount, date of their transmittal to the Governor, and whereabouts in the Executive budget;
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> (3) records pertaining to the 24 pages of legislative reappropriations for fiscal year 2016-2017, appearing in an out-of-sequence section at the back of Governor Cuomo's Legislative/Judiciary Budget Bill #S.6401/4.9001 (at pp. 25-48), but missing from the Legislature's budget that Temporary Senate President Flanagan and Assembly Speaker Heastie transmitted to Governor Cuomo by their December 1, 2015 coverletter - in particular, records of their certification, cumulative dollar amount, and date of their transmittal to the Governor;
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> (4) records reflecting the cumulative dollar amount of the Legislature's budget for fiscal year 2016-2017, inclusive of "General State Charges" and reappropriations.

We are conducting a search for records that respond to your request and will review them for appropriate exemptions under FOIL. We will provide you with a status update on or before March 29, 2016, if we have not completed our response by then.

If any documents are located that respond to your request, you will be charged $.25 per page for photocopies. If the response to your request will be provided in another media, we will notify you of any charges.

Very truly yours,

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FOIL Counsel
Records Access Officer