Public Officers

§ 88. Access to state legislative records. 1. The temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly shall promulgate rules and regulations for their respective houses in conformity with the provisions of this article, pertaining to the availability, location and nature of records, including, but not limited to: (a) the times and places such records are available; (b) the persons from whom such records may be obtained; (c) the fees for copies of such records, which shall not exceed twenty-five cents per photocopy not in excess of nine inches by fourteen inches, or the actual cost of reproducing any other record, except when a different fee is otherwise prescribed by law. 2. The state legislature shall, in accordance with its published rules, make available for public inspection and copying: (a) bills and amendments thereto, fiscal notes, introducers' bill memoranda, resolutions and amendments thereto, and index records; (b) messages received from the governor or the other house of the legislature, and home rule messages; (c) legislative notification of the proposed adoption of rules by an agency; (d) transcripts or minutes, if prepared, and journal records of public sessions including meetings of committees and subcommittees and public hearings, with the records of attendance of members thereat and records of any votes taken; (e) internal or external audits and statistical or factual tabulations of, or with respect to, material otherwise available for public inspection and copying pursuant to this section or any other applicable provision of law; (f) administrative staff manuals and instructions to staff that affect members of the public; (g) final reports and formal opinions submitted to the legislature; (h) final reports or recommendations and minority or dissenting reports and opinions of members of committees, subcommittees, or commissions of the legislature;

(i) any other files, records, papers or documents required by law to be made available for public inspection and copying. (j) external audits conducted pursuant to section ninety-two of the legislative law and schedules issued pursuant to subdivision two of section ninety of the legislative law. 3. Each house shall maintain and make available for public inspection and copying: (a) a record of votes of each member in every session and every committee and subcommittee meeting in which the member votes; (b) a record setting forth the name, public office address, title, and salary of every officer or employee; and (c) a current list, reasonably detailed, by subject matter of any records required to be made available for public inspection and copying pursuant to this section.