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Subject: FOIL/records request: The Senate & Assembly reports on "each" and "all" of the budget bills, required by Legislative Law §54b BEFORE their members voted thereon.

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[Legislative Law §54, entitled "Report on the budget"](#), reads, as follows, at its paragraphs 2(b) and (c):

(b) Before voting upon an appropriation bill submitted by the governor and related legislation, as amended, in accordance with article seven of the constitution, each house shall place on the desks of its members a report relating to each such bill and, preceding final action on all such appropriation bills and legislation, members shall be so provided with a comprehensive, cumulative report relating to all such bills and legislation.

(c) The reports prepared by each house shall include for the general fund a summary of proposed legislative revisions to the executive budget for the ensuing fiscal year, and shall separately identify and present all legislative additions, reestimates and other revisions that increase or decrease disbursements, and separately identify and present all legislative reestimates and other revisions that increase or decrease available resources. Such report shall, where practicable, display and separately identify and present all legislative additions, reestimates, and other revisions that increase or decrease state funds and all funds spending, including an estimate of the impact of the proposed revisions on local governments and the state workforce." (underlining added).

Pursuant to [Senate Rule XIV \("Freedom of Information"\)](#) and [Assembly Rule VIII \("Public Access to Records"\)](#), please furnish all reports on the FY2026-27 budget bills that the Senate and Assembly furnished members "Before" they voted, as Legislative Law §54(2)(b) expressly requires.

Thank you.

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