30-Day Amendments 1999-2000 Omnibus Article VII Bill LBD 13001-04-9

Amendments to this bill will:

- make minor corrections related to the adoption of model fire, building and energy codes by striking an erroneous reference to the Secretary of State (Part E);
- restore section 227-a of the Executive Law pertaining to death benefits for members of the State Police which was unintentionally proposed for repeal (Part H);
- make technical corrections to dates and references in the Medical Assistance program regarding intergovernmental transfers and provider assessments (Part Y);
- make technical corrections to special education provisions to include pupils receiving services or attending programs operated directly or indirectly by a charter school (Part HH);
- reinforce the confidentiality of STAR income eligibility information verified by the Tax Department and prohibit disclosure by local officials (Part II);
- specify that private psychiatric hospitals and residential treatment facilities are part of the accelerated termination of provider assessments (Part VV);
- expand the transitional sales tax credit for energy service companies to include the residential portion of the sales tax bill and make technical corrections to the existing draft (Part QQ);
- expand the availability of the existing credit for electric vehicles and clean-fuel
 vehicle property under Article 9-A and 22 of the Tax Law when such property is sold
 or leased to the United States, and State or political subdivision thereof, any
 possession of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of any of the
 foregoing (Part CCC);
- amend the Tax Law to include a tax credit for low income housing projects, similar to the Federal low income housing tax credit (Part DDD);
- make a technical correction to the qualified emerging technology employment and capital tax credits to include personal income taxpayers (Parts RR and EEE); and

 amend the Tax Law to remove provisions relating to corporate acquisitions, mergers and consolidations which created several impediments designed to deter certain types of financial restructuring. These provisions have proven to be ineffective and adversely impact business decisions (Part FFF).