

### This Week in New York

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## In the News – New York State

# State Releases RFQ for Design-Build Teams for Javits Center Expansion

The State this week officially kicked off the major expansion of the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center.

The New York Convention Center Development Corporation, a state subsidiary that owns the Javits Center, has issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) from Design-Build teams interested in completing the project. The Corporation will evaluate the respondents and select up to three qualified developers, which will then receive Requests for Proposals (RFP) in June to design and build the facility's additions.

According to the Cuomo administration, the Convention Center Development Corporation will establish an affordability ceiling in the RFP for the Design-Build price. The project will be funded through a state appropriation of \$1 billion; bond issuance proceeds; finances available on hand; and other sources as needed.

Responses to the RFQ are due May 10<sup>th</sup>, with the selection of up to three finalists expected in late May. Following the June RFP release, a developer will be selected by the end of 2016. The design-build procurement method was provided as part of the recently enacted 2016-2017 State Budget under the New York Transformational Economic Development Infrastructure and Revitalization Projects Act.

"This expansion is a game changer for the Javits Center and Manhattan's West Side, Alan Steel, President and CEO of the New York Convention Center Development Corporation, said. "...since the announcement in January, there has been a significant increase in demand for our event space, especially the soon-to-be largest ballroom in the Northeast."

Located on Manhattan's West Side on 11th Avenue between West 34th and West 40th Streets, the six-block facility hosts trade shows, conventions and special events that spur economic activity and job creation. In 2014, the facility hosted 177 events and more than 2 million visitors.

According to the Cuomo Administration's estimation, the expansion is projected to:

- > Create 4,000 full-time jobs, 2,000 part-time jobs and 3,100 construction jobs.
- ➤ Generate \$393 million in new economic activity a year, a 22 percent increase to the \$1.8 billion of activity generated in 2014.
- ➤ Generate 200,000 additional hotel room nights a year, a 42 percent increase in the number of room nights booked by event guests.

The project will be implemented with Governor Cuomo's goal of 30 percent participation of Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises.

# Governor and Legislative Leaders Form Commission to Develop End of Session Plan to Decrease the Cost of Doing Business in NYS

Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan, and Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie this week formed a temporary Business Regulation Council charged with conducting a comprehensive review of New York State's business climate. The Council will provide the leaders with recommendations on ways to decrease the cost of doing business in the state in time for consideration before the end of the 2016 legislative session.

Among the issues the Council will study are unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, temporary disability insurance, energy, and taxes. The Council will conduct a series of forums and meetings to hear from business groups, labor groups and other interested stakeholders and make recommendations to the Governor, the Senate Majority Leader and the Assembly Speaker by June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Legislature is scheduled to leave Albany on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

"For far too long, businesses in New York State have been forced to work harder to succeed or even survive due to burdensome red-tape and costly state mandates," Senate Majority Leader John J. Flanagan said. "The landmark tax cut plan introduced by Senate Republicans and approved in the 2016-17 state budget is a huge step in the right direction, but New York businesses continue to face many additional hurdles. This fast-tracked commission will thoroughly and swiftly study the current business climate in New York and make real recommendations that will help our businesses compete and create jobs."

#### Governor Cuomo's appointees:

- > Mario Cilento President of the New York State AFL-CIO
- > Ted Potrikus President and CEO of the Retail Council of New York State
- ➤ Kathryn Wylde President and CEO of the Partnership for New York City

#### **Senate Majority Leader Flanagan's appointees**:

- > Heather Briccetti President and CEO, The Business Council of New York State, Inc.
- > Dean Norton President, New York Farm Bureau

#### Assembly Speaker Heastie's appointees:

- > Gary LaBarbera President, Building and Construction Trades Council of Greater New York
- ➤ Robert Grey Chair, New York Workers' Compensation Alliance

## Bills Signed by the Governor

*Chapter 20 (Sponsored by Senator Carlucci & M of A Gunther) --* Relates to training for staff in residential mental health treatment units programs inside correctional facilities.

Chapter 21 (Sponsored by Senator Little & M of A Jaffee) -- Establishes the Edward Hopper citation of merit for visual artists.

Chapter 22 (Sponsored by Senator LaValle & M of A Thiele) -- Relates to exemptions available to veterans.

Chapter 23 (Sponsored by Senator Little & M of A Lavine) -- Requires reimbursement for surgical first assistant services.

Chapter 24 (Sponsored by Senator Ranzenhofer & M of A Peoples-Stokes) -- Relates to authorizing the Erie county medical center corporation to enter into agreements for the creation and operation of a health care delivery system network.

*Chapter 26 (Sponsored by Senator Ritchie & M of A Dinowitz) --* Requires the consumer protection division to post on the division website information on the related risks associated with unsecured furniture, televisions, and appliances.

Chapter 27 (Sponsored by Senator Funke & M of A Gottfried) -- Relates to retroactive enrollment in child health insurance plans.

Chapter 29 (Sponsored by Senator Croci & M of A DenDekker) -- Relates to burial of veterans of the armed forces.

*Chapter 30 (Sponsored by Senator Serrano & M of A Seawright) --* Amends chapter 899 of the laws of 1984 relating to the management of the Roosevelt Island public benefit corporation.

Chapter 31 (Sponsored by Senator Lanza & M of A Simotas) -- Relates to authorizing eligible surviving members of the household to apply for a transfer of the head of household's benefit under the SCRIE and DRIE programs.

Chapter 32 (Sponsored by Senator Griffo & M of A Morelle) -- Establishes protocols for combative sports; authorizes mixed martial arts events in this state; repeals chapter 912 of the laws of 1920, relating to the regulation of boxing, sparring and wrestling.

# In the News – New York City

## **City Continues Work on Homeless Shelters**

# March Scorecard shows 44 percent decline in violations; 61percent decline in high priority violations

New York City's Shelter Repair Squad and shelter providers have cut outstanding building code violations at traditional homeless shelters by 44 percent since the City's big inspection push in January and reduced high priority violations by 61 percent, according to the March Shelter Repair Scorecard.

Total violations at homeless shelters were 5,852 at the end of March, compared to 10,474 at the end of January 2016, a decline of 44 percent. Total high priority violations were 249 at the end of March, compared to 641 at January, 2016 – a drop of 61 percent. A total of 7,496 violations in non-cluster shelters have been cleared so far this year.

In the first quarter of 2016, City agencies completed 3,987 inspections, compared to 8,665 in all of 2015.

Cluster shelters (groups of individual apartments in larger buildings) continue to have the most issues with a total of 12,579 violations at the end of March, compared to 14,604 at the end of January. According to the Administration, the City continues to work on identifying sites for closure.

In conjunction with the scorecard release, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced a comprehensive plan to ensure homeless services are delivered as efficiently and effectively as possible following the City's 90-day shelter review. The first part of the plan, full implementation of the HOME-STAT outreach program for street homeless, was announced last week. The plan also includes measures to improve conditions and safety in shelters.

"The homeless population has changed, but the way we fight homelessness hasn't. It's time to bring new approaches and resources to keep vulnerable New Yorkers in their homes and help those in shelters find new permanent homes," said Mayor de Blasio. "As a result of our 90-day review, we now have a comprehensive plan, including significant policy changes and both programmatic and structural reforms that will enable us to do just that."

There are four key elements to the new plan – prevention, rehousing, street homelessness outreach and improving shelter conditions – and a total of 46 individual systemic reforms. Included among the proposals is a plan to merge Human Resources Administration (HRA) and the Department of Homeless Services (DHS). The new entity would report to a single Commissioner of Social Services (DSS), current DSS/HRA Commissioner Steven Banks. Also, the City will create an Interagency Homelessness Accountability Council reporting to the Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services Herminia Palacio.

# PA James Report Underscores Wage Gap for NYC Women

Public Advocate Letitia James this week released a policy report detailing the existing gender wage gap in New York City. The report reveals that women employed by the New York City government experience a gender wage gap three times larger than women working in the private forprofit sector, and two and a half times larger than women working in the private not-for-profit sector.

Additionally, the report finds that wage disparities for women of color in New York City are significantly worse than the national average.

"Wage disparity strikes at the heart of our City's values and sets us all back," said Public Advocate Letitia James. "There is simply no excuse for women to be paid less than men. Whether you work in the public sector or the private sector, equal work must mean equal pay. As a government, we should be particularly alarmed that there is a disproportionately higher wage gap among municipal employees. While this issue isn't new, it must be addressed with a focus and vigor worthy of our progressive city."

#### Specific findings of the report include:

- Women employed in New York City's municipal government face a gender wage gap that is three times larger (18 percent) than the gap experienced by women working in the private forprofit sector (six percent), and two and half times larger than the gap experienced by women working in the private not-for-profit sector (seven percent).
- > Women of color are disproportionately hurt by the gender wage gap, and this racial disparity is greater in New York City than the national average. In New York City, Asian, Black, and Hispanic women experience a 37 percent, 45 percent, and 54 percent wage gap compared to white men, respectively. In the rest of the country, Asian, Black, and Hispanic women are experiencing a 14 percent, 36 percent, and 46 percent wage gap compared to white men, respectively.
- > Women in New York City earn approximately \$5.8 billion less in wages each year less than men.
- > In New York City, the gender wage gap persists among women with a college or postgraduate degree, at 16 percent and 20 percent, respectively.
- ➤ In the health care and social assistance sector, which employs nearly half a million women in New York City, the gender wage gap is a staggering 22 percent.

Public Advocate James included a series of recommendations in the report:

- > Prohibit City agencies from asking for previous salary information of job applicants, and ensure that agencies provide a salary range to applicants in job announcements and advertisements.
- > Urge private employers to discontinue requesting previous salary information from applicants to ensure a fair playing field for women in the workforce.
- > Create an Equitable Pay and Opportunity Task Force to focus on eliminating the pay gap and improving the status of women in municipal government.
- > Encourage City contractors to disclose wage information about their employees.
- > Advance family-friendly workplace policies that support working parents such as flexible work arrangements.

# **Briefs**

#### **State Approves Extended Hours for Mammograms**

The State's Public Health and Health Planning Council approved new regulations Thursday requiring 152 hospitals and 58 extension clinics to be open a total of four hours beyond normal business hours.

According to the state health department, extended hours will reduce one of the barriers preventing women from being screened. Approximately 576,000 women in New York have not been screened for breast cancer, according to the state health department.

#### **State Beverage Control Work Group Releases Recommendations**

Governor Cuomo's Alcoholic Beverage Control Law Working Group – a group comprised of industry attorneys, craft manufacturers, retailers, wholesalers, a Community Board representative and other industry experts – this week released its recommendations to revise the State's Alcoholic Beverage Control Law. In November 2015, the Governor created this Working Group to review the law and make recommendations on how best to modernize it.

The Working Group agreed to over a dozen recommendations to revise, consolidate and modernize the law, including:

• Reorganizing the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law: The Working Group recommends a complete reorganization of the laws in a coherent, customer focused manner in order to better serve those regulated businesses.

- Consolidating Licenses: There are currently nine separate licenses authorizing the sale of alcohol for on-premises businesses (restaurants, bars, taverns, etc.) scattered throughout three articles of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law. The Working Group recommends amending the law to reduce the number of licenses to three: one for beer; a second for wine and beer; and a third for establishments that serve beer, wine and liquor.
- *Modernizing New York's Blue Laws:* The Working Group recommends two options regarding sales on Sunday; (1) amending the statewide hours from 12 noon to 8 p.m., or (2) creating a permit to allow on-premises licenses to serve before noon on Sunday.
- Supporting Craft Manufacturers: The Working Group recommends combining craft manufacturing licenses into one application to reduce mandatory paperwork for these small businesses. In addition, the Working Group recommends authorizing wineries and farm wineries to allow customers to take home partially finished bottles of wine, reducing the fee and eliminating the mandatory bond for solicitor's permits for craft manufacturers, and allowing wineries to sell wine in refillable growlers.

# Governor Cuomo Signs Legislation Legalizing MMA in NYS

Governor Andrew Cuomo this week signed legislation authorizing competitive mixed martial arts in New York State. New York will now join the 49 other states authorizing mixed martial arts.

Following the Governor's signing of this legislation, the Ultimate Fighting Championship announced that it will host a Pay-Per-View event at Madison Square Garden on Saturday, Nov. 12. Additionally, UFC will be adding another live event in Upstate New York before the end of the year. The organization has pledged four events per year for the first three years after passage of the bill. The events will be held in Upstate cities such as Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Utica, and Albany, in addition to Madison Square Garden and the Barclays Center.

#### **NYRA Board Approves Reorganization**

The New York Racing Association, Inc. (NYRA) Reorganization Board of Directors voted to approve a re-privatization plan for the organization's prospective not-for-profit governing structure. NYRA has been operating under state direction since 2012.

Proposals for NYRA's legal and governance structure include the following options:

- NYRA Board to have 15 members, four of which will be publicly appointed, to serve for three years, and eligible for two additional terms, with the CEO to be a full member of the Board.
- NYRA Board to have 15 private members, to serve for three years and eligible for two additional terms, with the CEO to be a full member of the Board.

"This is the first step in the process," said Vice Chairman Michael J. del Giudice. "We have done our job, now it is up to the governor and legislature."

#### **State Assembly Passes Wage Equity Legislation**

The State Assembly this week approved a package of bills aimed at providing pay equity in New York State, including:

- The New York State Fair Pay Act establishes that it is an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race or national origin by paying different wages for the same job (A.6937/sponsored by M of A Titus).
- *Pay equity for civil services workers*: The measure establishes a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of equal value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles and position classifications which have been segregated by sex, race or national origin (A.437-A/sponsored by M of A Rosenthal).
- *Higher Paying Jobs*: To encourage and prepare women to take on higher paying jobs, another measure would require the Department of Labor and the Department of Civil Service to provide information about high paying career opportunities, including those usually held by men, to both men and women. Additionally, the department would be required to report to the Legislature on the success of these initiatives (A.9755/sponsored by M of A Jaffee).
- **Public Employer Pay Equity Report**: The measure that would require the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating wage disparities among public employers. The study would examine wage disparities related to job titles based on sex, race or national origin of the employee (A.5008-A/sponsored by M of A Lifton).
- *Private Right of Action*: The measure to ensure public employees have a mechanism to enforce their right to equal pay for equal work. The bill creates a private right of action for public employees who have experienced pay discrimination based on sex, race or national origin (A.9754/sponsored by M of A Simotas).

# Bill Thompson and Fernando Ferrer Nominated to CUNY Board of Trustees

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo this week nominated Bill Thompson and Fernando Ferrer to serve on the City University of New York's Board of Trustees. Mr. Thompson has been nominated to replace outgoing Chair Benno Schmidt, who was originally appointed to CUNY's Board in 1999 and has served as its Chair since 2003. Both nominations require confirmation by the New York State Senate.

Mr. Thompson served two consecutive, four-year terms as Comptroller for the City of New York from 2002 until 2009. In February 2010, New York State Governor David Paterson named Mr. Thompson to serve as Chairman of the Board of The Hugh L. Carey Battery Park City Authority, a position he held until 2012. Since 2015, he has served as the Chairman of the New York State Housing Finance Agency and Chairman of the State of New York Mortgage Agency.

Mr. Thompson is currently a partner at Siebert Brandford Shank where he underwrites loans for schools, roads, bridges and infrastructure projects. He is a graduate of Tufts University.

Mr. Ferrer served as the Bronx Borough President for almost 15 years from 1987 - 2001. Prior to being elected Bronx Borough President, Mr. Ferrer served in the New York City Council where he represented communities in the North Bronx from 1982 until 1987. He currently serves as Vice-Chairman of the Metropolitan Transit Authority and served as Acting Chairman of the MTA in 2013.

Mr. Ferrer is a Partner and Co-Chairman of Mercury Public Affairs, LLC. He earned a B.A. from the University Heights College of Arts and Sciences of New York University, and an M.P.A. degree from Baruch College of the City University of New York.

#### **State and PEF Agree to One-Year Retroactive Contact Agreement**

The Cuomo administration and the New York State Public Employees Federation have reached a retroactive one-year labor agreement, providing a 2% salary increase for the union's 54,000 workers.

"I applaud Governor Cuomo for the cooperative and fair approach his team demonstrated at the bargaining table," PEF President Wayne Spence said. "We appreciate the Governor's recognition of his valuable workforce and the way each union member helps to make New York the great state that it is."

The two percent salary increase is retroactive to April 1, 2015. The agreement brings into line PEF with other state union contracts, including CSEA, UUP, NYSCOPBA, Council 82, DC-37 Housing and GSEU. The agreement must be ratified with PEF's executive board in May. The cost of the agreement is \$73 million.

The contract agreement also resolves the longstanding issue of the fingerprinting of PEF employees working in the New York State Office of Information Technology Services. Prior to the agreement, PEF filed a grievance with the Public Employment Relations Board which blocked ITS from fingerprinting PEF-represented employees. The agreement allows for current and future PEF employees working at ITS to be fingerprinted due to the sensitive nature of information accessible within the department.

#### **Veterans Court Opens in Manhattan**

Chief Administrative Judge Lawrence K. Marks was joined today by Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance Jr., Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, New York City Mayor's Office of Veterans' Affairs Commissioner Loree Sutton, M.D., Director of VA NY Harbor Healthcare System Martina Parauda and other officials to mark the opening of a Manhattan court designed to identify veteran-offenders suffering from addiction, mental illness or co-occurring disorders and link them to treatment and services to divert them from incarceration.

The Manhattan Veterans Treatment Court, which will operate out of New York County Supreme Court-Criminal Term, is a collaborative effort of the New York State court system, the Manhattan District Attorney's office, the defense bar, local treatment providers, the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs, and other veterans' services and support agencies and organizations.

Similar to veterans' courts operating in other parts of the state, the Manhattan court is based on the drug court model, which combines rigorous treatment, intensive judicial monitoring and coordinated services, as well as enhanced communication among the various stakeholders. In addition to aiding veterans on the road to recovery via access to treatment for substance abuse, PTSD and other combat-related disorders, the new court will provide a range of support services to address associated problems, such as unemployment and homelessness. To help ensure the success of participants, the court will incorporate a core element of many of its counterparts — the utilization of peer mentors, military veterans who volunteer their time to offer court participants support and motivation as they navigate the legal process and the challenges of re-assimilating to civilian life.

Former servicemen and women who plead guilty to a felony offense that is eligible for judicial diversion in conformity with Criminal Procedure Law, are not deemed a public safety threat and are willing to comply with court-imposed conditions will be considered for participation in the program. Eligible defendants must be at least 19 years old at the time of arrest. Participation in the program is voluntary.

# Coming Up

New York State

Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> – Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> Legislature is on Recess

## New York City

## Monday, April 18th

Subcommittee on Zoning and Franchises, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 16th Fl., 9:30a.m.

*Committee on Housing and Buildings*, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 14th Fl., 10a.m. *Int 0831-2015* In relation to permit filing fees for new buildings and alterations.

*Int 0918-2015* In relation to professionally certified applications for construction document approval and final inspections of permitted work.

Int 0924-2015 In relation to vacate orders.

Int 0934-2015 In relation to the creation of a real time enforcement unit in the department of buildings.

*Int 0944-2015* In relation to construction work permits.

*Int 1118-2016* In relation to exemption from taxation of alterations and improvements to multiple dwellings.

*Int 1119-2016* In relation to tax exemption and abatement for certain rehabilitated buildings as authorized by section 488-a of the real property tax law.

Committee on Transportation, Council Chambers – City Hall, 10a.m. T2016-4349 Oversight - Examining the City's Steps Toward Reducing Emissions From Vehicles, Including by Encouraging Electric Vehicle Use.

*Int 1124-2016* In relation to establishing a pilot program for the installation of street parking electric vehicle charging stations.

**Res 1013-2016** Resolution calling upon the City of New York to make Earth Day 2016 a car-free day for private and all non-essential city vehicles.

Committee on Rules, Privileges and Elections, Committee Room – City Hall, 11a.m. *M 0388-2016* Communication from the Mayor - Submitting the name of Frank Carone to the City Council for its advice and consent concerning his reappointment to the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission, Pursuant to Sections 31 and 2301 of the City Charter.

*M 0389-2016* Communication from the Mayor - Submitting the name of Lauvienska Polanco to the City Council for its advice and consent concerning her appointment to the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission, Pursuant to Sections 31 and 2301 of the City Charter.

*M* 0390-2016 Communication from the Mayor - Submitting the name of Jeanne Lutfy to the Council for its advice and consent in anticipation of her appointment to the Landmarks Preservation Commission, pursuant to Sections 31 and 3020 of the New York City Charter.

**T2016-4344** Communication from the Mayor - Submitting the name of Manuel Miranda to the Council for its advice and consent regarding his appointment as a member of the New York City Art Commission, known as Public Design Commission, pursuant to Sections 31 and 851 of the New York City Charter.

**T2016-4350** Joseph Puma, candidate for re-designation by the Council to the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board.

Subcommittee on Planning, Dispositions and Concessions, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 16th Fl., 1p.m.

Committee on Civil Rights, Committee Room – City Hall, 1p.m. Res 1000-2016 Resolution recognizing March 5th as "Three-Fifths Clause Awareness Day" to be officially observed each year in New York City.

**Res 1001-2016** Resolution calling upon Congress to add an amendment to the Constitution of the United States directly negating the language of Article 1, Section two, Paragraph 3, known as the "three-fifths clause".

## Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

*Committee on Youth Services*, Council Chambers – City Hall, 10a.m. *T2016-4361* Oversight- Summer Programs for Elementary and Middle School Students.

*Committee on Health*, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 16<sup>th</sup> Fl., 10a.m. *Int 0902-2015* In relation to requiring defibrillators at baseball fields where youth leagues play.

Committee on Land Use, Committee Room - City Hall, 11a.m.

Joint – Committee on Education & Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disability, Alcoholism, Substance Abuse and Disability Services, Committee Room – City Hall, 1p.m. T2016-4281 Oversight - Addressing the Needs of Students with Dyslexia and Related Language-Based Learning Disabilities.

**Res 0375-2014** Resolution calling upon New York State Department of Education to include lessons on climate change in K-12 schools' curriculum.

**Res 1027-2016** Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature to pass and the Governor to sign A.4330/S.5439, legislation regarding the certification or training of teachers, administrators and instructors in the area of dyslexia and related disorders.

Committee on Sanitation and Solid Waste Management, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 16th Fl., 1p.m.

T2016-4297 Oversight - Reducing Food Waste in New York City.

Committee on Consumer Affairs, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 14th Fl., 1p.m. *Int 1085-2016* In relation to requiring the department of consumer affairs provide outreach and education on consumer protection issues that affect women.

*Int 1086-2016* In relation to requiring the department of consumer affairs to provide seniors with outreach and education regarding consumer protection issues.

*Int 1087-2016* In relation to requiring the department of consumer affairs to provide outreach and education on consumer protection issues that affect immigrants.

## Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

Committee on Finance, Committee Room – City Hall, 10a.m.

**T2016-4362** Resolution approving the new designation and changes in the designation of certain organizations to receive funding in the Expense Budget.

City Council Stated Meeting, Council Chambers – City Hall, 1:30p.m.

### Thursday, April 21st

*Committee on General Welfare*, Council Chambers – City Hall, 9:30a.m. *T2016-4360* Oversight - An Examination of the Department of Homeless Services 90-day Review.

Committee on Health, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 16th Fl., 10a.m.

*Committee on Higher Education*, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 14th Fl., 10a.m. *T2016-4295* Oversight - Status of Nursing Programs at the City University of New York.

*Committee on Economic Development*, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 14th Fl., 1p.m. *T2016-4341* Oversight - Evaluating Opportunities for Women Entrepreneurs in New York City.

Joint - Committee on Environmental Protection & Committee on Public Housing, Committee Room - City Hall, 1p.m.

**T2016-4323** Oversight - Examining NYCHA's Record in Removing Mold From Public Housing.

*Int 0978-2015* In relation to requiring licensure for mold abatement, assessment and remediation work and setting minimum standards for such work.

Committee on Veterans, 250 Broadway – Committee Rm, 16th Fl., 1p.m.

**Res 0579-2015** Resolution calling upon the United States Congress to pass, and the President to sign into law, the Toxic Exposure Research Act.

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