Education, Labor and Family Assistance

- Amend Education Law and make other changes necessary to authorize School Aid and implement education-related programs in the Executive Budget
- The Executive Budget proposes legislation for several new initiatives to provide students with increased access to healthy, locally sourced meals
- Amend the education law, in relation to authorizing school bus stop cameras; and to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to increasing fines for passing a stopped school bus
- Amend the Education Law to authorize non-component school districts, including the Big Five City School Districts, to participate in Recovery High School programs operated by Boards of Cooperative Educational Services
- Enact the New York State DREAM Act
- Allow public accounting firms to have minority ownership by individuals who are not Certified Public Accountants
- Reauthorize Close to Home
- Authorize Closure of Ella McQueen Reception Center
- Extend the Youth Development Program
- Extend OCFS’ Authority to Contract with BOCES
- Authorize DASNY to provide capital construction services to OCFS
- Authorize the pass-through of any Federal Supplemental Security Income Cost of Living Adjustment
- Authorize a Rental Subsidy for Public Assistance Recipients Living with HIV/AIDS in Rest of State (ROS) counties
- Authorize Mortgage Insurance Fund Utilization
- Provide funding flexibility between Lake Ontario Flood Relief Programs

Health and Mental Hygiene

- Hospital related Medicaid Redesign Team recommendations.
- Long-term care-related Medicaid Redesign Team recommendations.
- Medicaid Managed Care related recommendations.
- Pharmaceutical-related Medicaid Redesign Team recommendations.
- Transportation-related Medicaid Redesign Team recommendations.
- Reprogram Excess Medicaid Managed Care Reserves.
- Authorizing Health Services Offered by Retail Practices.
- Expand scope of practice for certified nurse anesthetists (CRNAs).
- Medicaid Integrity.
- Amend New York State’s False Claims Act penalties to align with the Federal False Claims Act.
- Extend the Medicaid Global Cap and other miscellaneous Medicaid-related proposals.
- Child Health Plus related recommendations.
- Extend the Physicians Excess Medical Malpractice Program for one year.
- Discontinue COLA payments to certain Department of Health providers.
- Reform the Early Intervention program.
- Eliminate certain Health Care Reform Act (HCRA) programs.
Legislation Required for the Budget

- Authorize additional capital support for the health care providers.
- Reduce the Risk of Exposure to Lead Paint in Residential and Non-Residential Settings.
- Regulatory Modernization Initiative related Medicaid Redesign Team recommendations.
- Extend various provisions of the Public Health and Social Services Laws.
- Extending existing processes for certain time-limited demonstration programs for specialized inpatient psychiatry units for children and adults.
- Extend community reinvestment for State psychiatric center inpatient bed closures.
- Authorizes the establishment of voluntary restoration to competency programs within locally-operated jails and State prisons.
- Extend authority for Office of Mental Health (OMH) and Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) facility directors to act as representative payees consistent with federal law and regulations.
- This bill clarifies the responsibilities and tasks that require psychology, social work, or mental health licensure for individuals working in certain programs and services that are regulated, operated, funded or approved by the Office of Mental Health (OMH), the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), the Office for Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS), the Department of Health (DOH), the State Office for the Aging (SOFA), the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), the Department of Corrections and Community Services (DOCCS), the Office for Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA), and/or local governmental units or social service districts.
- This bill would correct statutory references with respect to OPWDD waiver services, extend OPWDD’s managed care authority, and make technical amendments to that authority.
- Human Services COLA.

Public Protection and General Government

- Makes revisions to the Criminal Procedure Law to ensure citizens accused of a crime have the right to a speedy and public trial
- Makes revisions to the Judiciary law to increase accountability and efficiency of the Courts
- Bail Reform
- Makes revisions to the Criminal Procedure Law to improve the disclosure of evidence and information between prosecutors and the defense
- Civil Asset Forfeiture Reform
- Continue provisions relating to the disposition of certain monies recovered by county district attorneys
- Eliminate reimbursements to counties for personal service expenses related to the transportation of state ready inmates
- Expand merit time eligibility and add four new significant program accomplishments for the potential award of the Limited Credit Time Allowance
- Eliminate Parole Supervision Fee
- Authorize the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision to pilot two temporary release programs
- Remove unnecessary bars on licensing and employment for people with convictions
- Allow for Geriatric Parole
• Suspend a subsidy to a revolving loan fund from cell surcharge revenue
• Streamlining the Subpoena Process for Cases of Online Sexual Abuse of Children
• To establish the Armory Rental Account enterprise fund
• Child Victims Act
• Creates a new special on-premises hotel license for hotels without a full service restaurant
• Creates a new license for production and sale of mead and braggot in New York State
• Creates a new exporter license for businesses that export NYS alcoholic beverages
• Extend the authority of the State Commission on the Restoration of the Capitol for five years
• Expand the types of government bodies that may obtain surplus state land for nominal consideration, as well as the purposes for which the land may be used
• Establishment of the parking services account, solid waste account and special events account as enterprise funds
• Permits term appointments for eligible, highly-specialized ITS positions without initial Civil Service examination
• Empowering the New York State Deferred Compensation Board to Create a Voluntary Retirement Savings Program for Private-Sector Employees
• Stabilizes State Insurance Fund’s investments
• Provide/Increase State reimbursement of the Standard Medicare Part B (Medical) premium paid to eligible NYSHIP retirees and their dependents to a level of $134 monthly
• Cease reimbursement of the Medicare Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amounts to high income State retirees
• Provide a market-based interest rate on court judgments and accrued claims
• Amend the Citizen Empowerment Tax Credit (CETC) statute to close an eligibility loophole and prevent disproportionate payments
• Amend various provisions of law to address local government shared services obstacles
• Make County-wide Shared Services Panels permanent
• Authorize the Town of Islip Resource Recovery Agency (TIRRA) to select its independent auditors
• Authorization for transfers, temporary loans, and amendments to miscellaneous capital/debt provisions, including bond caps

Revenue

• Cap annual growth in STAR benefit amounts at 0%.
• Make Participation in the Income Verification Program (IVP) Mandatory for Enhanced STAR Recipients.
• Reporting Requirement for Mobile Homes.
• Technical amendments to property tax laws.
• State-Owned Lands Tax Cap Limitation.
• Telecom Mass Property Assessments Extender and Fix.
• Extend the statute of limitations on amended tax returns.
• Provide for employee wage reporting consistency between the Departments of Taxation and Finance and Labor.
Legislation Required for the Budget

- Simplify the sale for resale exemption for prepared food.
- Allow Warrantless Tax Debt to Be Assessed Against Unclaimed Funds.
- Allow the Department of Taxation and Finance Access to Dependent and Child Care Data from Other State Agencies.
- Close the carried interest loophole.
- DTF Right to Appeal DTA Tribunal Decisions.
- Clarify New York Residency Requirements for Tax Purposes.
- Maintain 2017 Empire State Child Tax Credit Benefits.
- Extend the Hire a Vet Tax Credit for two years.
- Enhance the New York Youth Jobs Program.
- Defer business related tax-credit claims.
- Amend the refund and joint liability provisions of the real estate transfer tax.
- Improve cigar tax enforcement.
- Discontinue the energy services sales tax exemption.
- Convert the veterinary sales tax credit to an exemption.
- Provide responsible person sales tax relief for minority LLC owners.
- Increase the vending machine sales tax exemption.
- Amend the local sales tax statute for technical changes.
- Impose an Internet fairness conformity tax.
- Impose a health tax on vapor products.
- Establish an opioid epidemic surcharge.
- Impose a healthcare insurance windfall profit fee.
- Amend racing operation provisions.
- Allow breeding funds to be used for equine aftercare.
- Extend certain tax rates and certain simulcasting provisions for one year.
- Eliminate the Video Lottery Gaming (VLG) hold harmless transfer provision.
- Simplify Video Lottery Gaming (VLG) rate and additional commission provisions.

Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation

- Strengthen the State’s authority to enforce Federal Motor Carrier Safety regulations
- Allow the sale of locally-sourced food and beverages at roadside rest areas operated by DOT
- Enhance Public Transportation Safety Board (PTSB) enforcement power in compliance with Federal requirements
- Allow the Thruway to set fees for use of its fiber optic system
- Authorize DOT to collect a $120 fee for semi-annual inspections of certain for-profit vehicles
- Authorize the Department of Transportation (DOT) to charge for use and occupancy of fiber optic lines on DOT right of way and establish a uniform process for the siting of small cell wireless facilities
- Amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law, to require all back seat passengers wear seat belts, require proper safety restraints for children under the age of 8, prohibit the use of mobile telephones and portable electronic devices by persons under the age of 18, and permits junior license holders to operate a vehicle in NYC. Also amends Vehicle and Traffic Law and
the Public Officers Law, in relation to authorizing municipalities and commuter railroads to establish demonstration programs, and implementing railroad grade crossing monitoring systems by means of photo devices

- Extends the authorization of Autonomous Vehicle testing in the State of New York
- Removes the authorization for OSC to prescribe a reporting format to New York City and has DMV continue to report on behalf of New York City
- Creates an internet pre-licensing course pilot program in the vehicle and traffic law, and establishes fees for the course application and administration for students
- Would re-direct certain revenues and program spending from the Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund to the General Fund, and direct that future revenues raised by the Payroll Mobility Tax be sent straight to the MTA without need of appropriation
- This legislation would establish a process for the recoupment of costs for major capital construction by MTA within a city of a population of one million or more
- Relates to the capital needs of the city’s subway system
- This legislation would provide necessary procurement reform to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and its affiliates
- Extend the authorization of the New York State Urban Development Corporation to administer the Empire State Economic Development Fund
- Extend the general loan powers of the New York State Urban Development Corporation
- Reauthorizes and extends the provisions of law relating to participation by minority and women-owned business enterprises in state contracts and expands upon those provisions based upon the findings of the 2016 Disparity Study
- Expand definition of an authorized entity that may utilize design-build contracts in the Infrastructure Investment Act
- Extend for one year the authority of the Secretary of State to charge increased fees for expedited handling of documents
- Place responsibility for mailing a copy of service of process on plaintiffs rather than the Department of State (DOS)
- Enhance the Brownfield Opportunity Areas (BOA) program
- Eliminate the 25 percent match requirement for localities utilizing federal Community Service Block Grant funds
- Empower the Superintendent of the Department of Financial Services (DFS) to license and regulate student loan servicers, set standards for student debt consultants and prohibit state agencies from suspending or denying the issuance of professional licenses for individuals behind or in default on their student loans
- Extend the authorization of the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York to form subsidiaries
- Make permanent the Empire State Development Corporation’s authority to administer agricultural and dairy marketing orders
- Create the Empire Forests for the Future Initiative to enhance management of privately owned forests and open space, and encourage timber sales to support the biomass energy and wood products industries in the State
Legislation Required for the Budget

- Make technical changes to the Environmental Protection Fund and the Clean Water Infrastructure Act of 2017 and the State Finance Law
- Reduce and sustainably manage food waste by requiring large food waste generators to divert excess edible food to food banks and food scraps to organics recycling facilities
- Preserve open space on Long Island by expanding the Core Preservation Area of the Central Pine Barrens
- Authorize expenses of the Department of Health to be reimbursed by a cable television assessment, and expenses of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, and of the departments of Agriculture and Markets, Environmental Conservation, and State, to be reimbursed by a utility assessment
- Authorize the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority to finance a portion of its energy research, development and demonstration program, and its energy policy and planning program, as well as the Department of Environmental Conservation’s climate change program and the Department of Agriculture and Markets’ Fuel NY program, from an assessment on gas and electric corporations
- Authorize the New York Power Authority to provide energy-related projects, programs and services to any of its power customers
- Authorize the New York Power Authority to develop renewable energy projects, and to procure and sell renewable products to public entities and existing New York Power Authority customers

Good Government and Ethics Reform

- Increase Transparency in Digital Political Ads
- Early Voting and Automatic Voter Registration
- Requires Legislature to seek an advisory opinion on outside income
- Close the LLC Loophole
- Financial Disclosure Requirements for Local Elected Officials
- Institute Public Financing and Enact Additional Campaign Finance Reforms
- Comprehensive FOIL Reform
- Expand the State Inspector General’s Authority to Include Affiliated Organizations of SUNY and CUNY
- Clarify State Inspector General’s Authority over State Procurements
- Implement and Enforce Financial controls at SUNY and CUNY Foundations
- Establishment of a NYS Chief Procurement Officer
- Amendment of Government Vendor Contributions
- Report on the feasibility of single identifying codes or numbers

Women’s Agenda

- Comprehensive Contraceptive Coverage Act
- Codify Roe v. Wade into State Law to ensure that women can make personal healthcare decisions
• Establish the Maternal Mortality Review Board to Save Lives
• Require the State Board of Medicine to include experts in women’s health and reducing health disparities
• Remove Firearms from Domestic Abusers
• End Sextortion and Revenge Porn
• Extends the Storage Timeline for Forensic Rape Kits at Hospitals
• Extend Anti-discrimination Protections to Public Schools
• Amending various laws to combat sexual harassment in the workplace
• Amends the unconsolidated laws to make changes necessary to implement new computer science education standards as part of the “Women’s Agenda for New York”
• Amends Education Law to make changes necessary to implement the “Be Aware, Be Informed” learning module
• Amend the Public Health Law to require public schools serving students in grades 6 through 12 to provide free feminine hygiene products in restrooms
• Ensures Equal Access to Diaper Changing Stations in Public Restrooms

Concurrent Resolutions

• Constitutional Amendment – Same-Day Voter Registration
• Constitutional Amendment – Limit Outside Income of Legislators
• Constitutional Amendment – Term Limits for Elected Officials
• Constitutional Amendment – Add "sex" as a protected class in the State Constitution.