

Weekly Highlights for
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ACTIVITIES:

Attended NY BizBio 2009: Fighting for a healthy biotech industry forum. Met with representatives of Associated Builders and Contractors. Met with representatives of Business Council of New York. Met with representatives of Upper Hudson After-School Network, along with students from the District who are enrolled in the After-School Program. Hosted weekly Assembly Radio program. Met with representative of Columbia County, New York Dept. of Health. Staff met with representatives from Dutchess, Columbia, Greene and Albany County of American Red Cross of Northeastern New York. Staff met with representative of Astor Home for Children, part of NYS Coalition for Children's Mental Health. Attended Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of New York luncheon with keynote speaker Governor Paterson. Met with Pat Moore of insurance agency in Poughkeepsie. Staff met with representatives of Dutchess County Arts Council. Staff met with representative of Concerted Effort. Staff met with representative of Stageworks Theater, Hudson, NY. Met with representatives of Manufacturers Association of New York. Staff met with representatives of New York State United Teachers. Met with representative from District of Local 802 (American Federation of Musicians). Attended reception Manufacturers Alliance of NY. Attended New York State Museum Special Arts Exhibit. Attended Youth Action Day Rally. Met with representatives of National Federation of Independent Business. Staff met with representatives from the District of Catholic Charities. Met with representative of National Rifle Association. Met with representative of Adoptee C.A.R.E. (Council for Adoption Reform Education). Met with representative of Police Benevolent Association of NYS Troopers. Attended Naturalization ceremony. Attended Beacon Republican, Reagan Day Dinner.

BILLS INTRODUCED:

PASSED: A601

Authorizes commissioner of agriculture and markets to render an opinion to government officials on land use regulations pertaining to agricultural practices.

Co-prime sponsor: A4232

Provides for the requirements in absentee ballot applications for village elections to conform to state board of election absentee ballot requirements.

A4255

Authorizes the department of health and the department of environmental conservation to commission a study on the effects of long-term, low radiation emissions from cellular phone antennas on human beings, specifically on the physical and mental development of adolescents.

Co-prime sponsor: A4261

Provides that the commissioner of education may disregard a required reduction if the school district was closed for health and safety purposes.

A4281

Relates to a program for flood damage to businesses; provides a tax credit for businesses that purchase flood insurance.

A4313

Provides for the inclusion, at a voter's option, of an email address in the voter registration application and record, whereupon notices and other communication required to be sent to the voter by the state board of elections shall be sent by email in addition to postal mail; county boards of elections and the board of elections of the city of New York shall have the option of sending required notices and communications by email in addition to postal mail to certain voters.

A4363

Provides a tax credit for the purchase of technology to remotely monitor persons with Alzheimer's disease and/or dementia.

Co-prime sponsor: A4364

Alters the definition of a qualified historic home for the purposes of the historic homeownership rehabilitation credit.

Co-prime sponsor: A4450

Exempts the amount of any service award paid to any volunteer firefighter or ambulance worker from personal income tax.

A4546

Provides for a tax credit for expenses of parents made for their children as a result of the child having the disease of autism.

A4547

Provides a tax credit of \$2000 to employers of primary caretakers of autistic children for allowing them to work from home.

A4557

Enacts the "private water testing act"; authorizes the department of health to promulgate rules and regulations to establish standards for the testing of drinking water from privately owned wells.

A4624

Provides a tax credit for work related expenses of parents who work at home and have autistic children.

Co-prime sponsor: A4683

Provides for a refundable personal income tax credit for first time home buyers (resident taxpayers) whose purchase price does not exceed \$150,000 or the median home value for the county and whose adjusted gross income does not exceed \$100,000 for taxpayers married and filing jointly or \$50,000 for all other taxpayers, the credit will be \$2000.

A4694

Enacts the small business improvement act; directs the department of state to establish an internet listserve; creates the governor's office of regulatory reform; designates significant economic development projects; relates to the transmittal of any rule making notice to the minority leader of the senate and the minority leader of the assembly; establishes the micro-enterprise education grants; establishes the county main street matching grant infrastructure fund and the downtown development initiative grant program fund; appropriates funds therefor.

Co-prime sponsor: A4717

Relates to creating a day care assistance program for members of the organized militia serving federal active duty outside the United States; appropriates \$500,000 therefor.

A4719

Eliminates state sales and compensating use taxes on motor fuels and diesel motor fuels and authorizes localities to eliminate such taxes at the local level.