



2019 New York State Environmental Scorecard

An Insider's Guide to the Environmental
Records of New York State Lawmakers

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Back To Work

Fifty years ago, New York's leading environmental groups came together in Albany and gave rise to the "Environmental Planning Lobby" or "EPL." Since that time, this organization — and our sister organization Environmental Advocates of New York — have been working to pass legislation that protects New Yorkers' health and environment, as well as stop legislation that would cause them harm. For decades, our Scorecard has been a tool to hold legislators accountable to New Yorkers and the environment by reporting on their environmental voting record.

During this half century, New York has enacted some remarkable environmental laws, such as the Adirondack Park Agency Act (1973), the State Environmental Quality Review Act (1975), the creation of the State Superfund (1982), the "Bottle Bill" (1983), the creation of the Environmental Protection Fund (1993), and most recently, the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act. Yet, for the past 15 years, our Scorecard has lamented a lack of environmental progress.

2005 – "The Assembly scores... But the Senate strikes out..."

2006 – "But that's how things work in Albany. Voters send 62 senators to Albany to make decisions, but only a handful of those senators' opinions count. The result — good legislation gets bottled up and environmental concerns go unresolved, year after year."

2010 – "The Senate also has a to-do list. Despite strong bipartisan support from 30 co-sponsors, legislation to cut climate pollution languishes in committee."

2014 – "The Senate Environmental Conservation Committee has rapidly become a place where the environmental community's priorities hit a brick wall."

2018 – "...the Senate continues to be a place where big, bold environmental ideas go to die."

During this time, important legislation that would have tackled climate change and protected our children from toxic chemicals sat around gathering dust. It is clear that the past Senate Republican Leadership was the roadblock in preventing vital environmental legislation. Nation-leading environmental measures, the stuff befitting of the Empire State, died in committees without even a vote. Empowered by both the Independent Democratic Conference (IDC) and 2016 Oil Slick winner Senator Simcha Felder, the Senate Republican Leadership were content to bury meaningful environmental legislation under a pile of their own indifference.

However, all of that changed after the 2018 elections, when the voters of New York handed control of the Senate to Democrats. The new leadership brought tangible results for our environment and our Scorecard reflects the work of a Legislature that values and prioritizes the environment and health of New Yorkers.

This year's 2019 Scorecard brings us renewed hope and excitement that the New York State Legislature has gotten back to work in reclaiming its status as a national environmental leader.

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About EPL/Environmental Advocates

EPL/Environmental Advocates was formed in 1969 as one of the first organizations in the nation to advocate for the future of a state's environment and the health of its citizens. As the environmental conscience of New York, EPL/Environmental Advocates through its advocacy, watchdogging, coalition building, education, and policy expertise, has been ensuring that environmental laws are enacted and enforced, anti-environmental laws are defeated, and public participation in environmental policy debate occurs in a meaningful way.

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Party & District

	2019 Score	2018 Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	1
Elizabeth O'C. Little (R-45/Glens Falls)	63	68	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
John C. Liu (D-11/Bayside)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monica R. Martinez (D-3/Hauppauge)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rachel May (D-53/Syracuse)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shelley Mayer (D-37/Port Chester)	100	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jen Metzger (D-42/Middletown)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Velmanette Montgomery (D-25/Brooklyn)	100	96	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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2019: Overview

The progress New York made to achieve greater environmental protections this session is undeniable. What we saw in 2019 was a growing green ethos in the face of continued environmental crises and the dismantling of national environmental laws and regulations.

The Trump administration's assault on the environment, denial of science, and siding with industry and big business, has left a gaping hole in leadership that states like New York must fill.

New Yorkers are keenly aware that toxic "forever chemicals" are infiltrating our drinking water at alarming rates; air pollutants are still impacting our communities; and our climate is rapidly warming, which is contributing to damaging storms, record flooding and deadly heat waves. The Legislature finally and meaningfully acknowledged these problems by passing the most significant environmental laws in a generation.

"In 2013, state legislators seemed more interested in gamesmanship and political power plays than working together to get anything accomplished – an extremely disappointing turn of events following the devastating toll that Superstorm Sandy and other severe weather events had on many communities statewide."

– 2013 EPL Scorecard

The environmental wins of the 2019 legislative session started in the budget process, where the Legislature and Governor agreed to include \$500 million in new funding for clean water infrastructure projects, ban plastic bags, and commit to a congestion pricing plan that will invest in the state's mass transit system while removing pollution-spewing tailpipes from the road.

About a month later, the Legislature honored Earth Day by passing a suite of legislation, including: a bill that seeks to amend the New York State Constitution to guarantee New Yorkers a right to clean air and water; a phase out of the use of chlorpyrifos, a dangerous pesticide; a ban on PFAS

chemicals in fire-fighting foam, a major cause of source water contamination; and a ban on the use of toxic chemicals in children's toys and products. Unbelievably, the Child Safe Products Act, legislation that would protect babies and children, languished without a vote for years, being a victim of the old Senate Leadership's regrettable apathy. This year, the bill passed the Senate with just nine NAY votes and no debate.

Finally, at the end of the session, the Legislature passed what *The New York Times* called, "One of the World's Most Ambitious Climate Plans." This legislation, the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), will move New York's economy off fossil fuels, thereby significantly reducing the climate pollution that harms our public health, environment, and economy. The CLCPA not only codifies New York's strong climate and clean energy goals — it also establishes a blueprint for doing so equitably across all sectors of the economy. It was signed into law by Governor Cuomo in July.

What is also notable about this session is there were no bills brought to a vote in either the Assembly or Senate that carried our smokestack rating. (Smokestack-rated bills are those that will have a detrimental environmental impact.) This was a major shift from years past, where the Senate, under its previous leadership, showed no qualms on voting on anti-environmental legislation.

The Assembly

Speaker Carl Heastie opened the year by listing passage of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act as one of the Assembly Majority's top priorities, and he delivered. The climate bill was born from the Assembly Climate Change Workgroup, a body that the Speaker created just weeks after he was chosen to lead the Assembly. His vision and steadfast leadership on environmental issues was a critical component in the session's overall success.



Assemblymember Steve Englebright has been the courageous Chair of the Assembly's Environmental Conservation Committee since 2015. Affectionately known as the "Professor" due to his background in higher education, he has worked tirelessly for years improving and protecting New York's environment, despite the challenges of not having a partner in the Senate. This year, his diligence paid off.

"If the Senate and the Governor embraced the leadership of the Assembly and enacted the Climate and Community Protection Act, supported a state ban on the pesticide chlorpyrifos in response to Trump EPA's refusal to act, and voted for adding an environmental right to the State Constitution, we'd be back to the days when New York was a true environmental leader." – 2018 EPL Scorecard

Assemblymember Richard Gottfried, Chair of the Assembly Health Committee, has been a co-prime sponsor of the green amendment to add the right to clean air and water to the State Constitution's Bill of Rights. He also introduced an emerging contaminant monitoring bill in the 2019 legislative session that would ensure more New Yorkers know whether dangerous chemicals are present in their drinking water. Although the legislation did not pass, it is an important bill that, when enacted, will protect our environment and our health.



Assemblymember Crystal Peoples-Stokes is a vocal environmental justice champion who has worked for the people of Buffalo since 2003. She deserves recognition for the way she has led the floor of the Assembly, ensuring important legislation gets across the finish line.

The Senate



Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins made history by becoming the first African American woman to lead a legislative house in New York State. The greatest environmental legislative session in a generation would not have been possible without Senator Stewart-Cousins' exemplary leadership and willingness to act on the issues of climate, clean air, and water. The difference between her and former Majority Leader John Flanagan (2018's Oil Slick awardee), is astounding. Her actions this year yielded real results that will protect New Yorkers for generations to come.

Senator Todd Kaminsky took over a weak Senate Environmental Conservation Committee and breathed new life into it. As lead sponsor of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, the ban on chlorpyrifos, and a bill to reduce the toxic chemical 1,4-dioxane in household products, Senator Kaminsky was instrumental in the transformation of the Senate from an environmental wasteland to a much greener ecosystem.



“Minority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D-Yonkers) acknowledged the need for democracy within the Chamber and expressed support for rules that allow bills to receive a vote when they clearly have support from a majority of senators. It’s a promise that must be kept.” – 2014 EPL Scorecard



Senator Brad Hoylman seized the opportunity of a new Democratic Senate and put his clean water leadership into action. He sponsored a bill that would ban hazardous PFAS chemicals in firefighting foam, phasing out a major source of water pollution across the state.

Senator Jessica Ramos helped put the *Community* in the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act. Her steadfast commitment to equity and environmental justice during the legislative session really shone through and we expect great things from her in the future.



Oil Slick Award: Senator George A. Amedore Jr.

This was a great year for the environment in Albany, with the State Senate finally reversing course and passing several important pieces of legislation that protect the health of New Yorkers. With so much positive legislation passing this year, you really have to work hard to build a record as bad as Senator George Amedore's. Just this session he voted:



NO to fighting climate change;

NO to guaranteeing New Yorkers a right to clean air, clean water, and a healthful environment;

NO to preventing the oil and gas industry from drilling off of New York's shoreline;

NO to phasing out the use, distribution and sale of the dangerous pesticide chlorpyrifos;

NO to protecting children from toxic exposure to dangerous chemicals used in children's products.

Unfortunately, this is a trend with the Senator. Failing as a freshman may be forgivable, but only if growth is shown. And yet Senator Amedore has not grown at all. In his first year (2015), Senator Amedore received an EPL score of 44. This year, he earned a 49.

His consistently-poor environmental record stands in stark contrast to his district. Both the Hudson Valley and Capital Region boast a long history of environmental activism and leadership. Senator Amedore boasts a record of indifference to the well-being of his constituents and a healthy environment.

For his abandonment of environmental principles, Senator George Amedore Jr. (R-Rotterdam) is the 2019 Oil Slick Award recipient.

Co-Legislators of the Year

Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins and Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie



The Legislative Champion award has gone unawarded since 2016. This year, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins and Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie share the distinction. As the two responsible for the greatest legislative session for the environment in a generation, this award comes as no surprise. Their commitment to a healthier environment and future for New Yorkers was matched only by their dedication and willingness to work together to find a path forward. The leadership practiced by both has been empowering, progressive, and wise. New Yorkers expect a lot from their leaders and this year both have delivered.

Honorable Mentions

Assemblymember Steve Englebright and Senator Todd Kaminsky

We have written a lot about Assembly Environmental Conservation Chair Steve Englebright. And for good reason. His sponsorship and work on the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act spans years, as does his devotion to clean water on Long Island and vibrant communities across the state. Future generations will benefit from his dedication to the environment.

Senator Todd Kaminsky hit the ground running as the newly-minted Chair of the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee. His determination and hard work made passing the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, a bill that had died in the Senate year after year, finally possible. To have a Chair of the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee be so vested in a better future for all New Yorkers was truly a breath of fresh air.



Senate Scores

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Positive Environmental Impact

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Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr.	(D-15/Howard Beach)	100	95	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Frederick J. Akshar, II	(R-52/Binghamton)	61	68	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
George A. Amedore, Jr.	(R-46/Kingston)	49	INC	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	
Robert E. Antonacci	(R-50/Syracuse)	61	N/A	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	
Jamaal T. Bailey	(D-36/Bronx)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Brian A. Benjamin	(D-30/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Alessandra Biaggi	(D-34/Bronx)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Philip M. Boyle	(R-4/Bay Shore)	100	68	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Neil D. Breslin	(D-44/Albany)	100	96	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
John E. Brooks	(D-8/Massapequa)	100	88	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
David Carlucci	(D-38/New City)	100	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Leroy G. Comrie, Jr.	(D-14/St. Albans)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Simcha Felder	(D-17/Brooklyn)	93	68	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
John J. Flanagan	(R-2/Smithtown)	61	68	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Rich Funke	(R-55/Fairport)	55	68	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	Exc	✓	✓	✓	
Patrick M. Gallivan	(R-59/Elma)	59	68	X	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	
James F. Gaughan	(D-5/Oyster Bay)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Michael N. Gianaris	(D-12/Astoria)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Andrew S. Gounardes	(D-22/Brooklyn)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Joseph A. Griffo	(R-47/Utica)	63	68	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Peter B. Harckham	(D-40/Carmel)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Pamela A. Helming	(R-54/Geneva)	63	68	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Brad Hoylman	(D-27/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Robert Jackson	(D-31/Manhattan)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Christopher L. Jacobs	(R-60/Buffalo)	68	68	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Daphne Jordan	(R-43/Castleton-On-Hudson)	49	N/A	X	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	
Todd D. Kaminsky	(D-9/Rockville Centre)	100	88	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Anna M. Kaplan	(D-7/Mineola)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Brian P. Kavanagh	(D-26/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	
Timothy Kennedy	(D-63/Buffalo)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Liz Krueger	(D-28/Manhattan)	98	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Andrew J. Lanza	(R-24/Staten Island)	73	68	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	
Kenneth P. LaValle	(R-1/Mount Sinai)	96	68	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	



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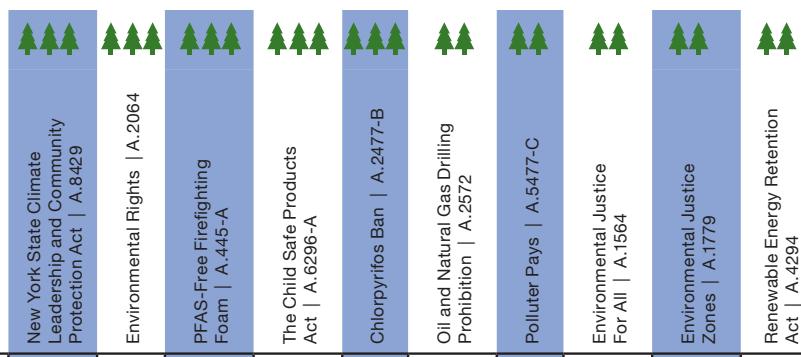
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Elizabeth O'C. Little	(R-45/Glens Falls)	63	68	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
John C. Liu	(D-11/Bayside)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monica R. Martinez	(D-3/Hauppauge)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rachel May	(D-53/Syracuse)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Shelley Mayer	(D-37/Port Chester)	100	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jen Metzger	(D-42/Middletown)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Velmanette Montgomery	(D-25/Brooklyn)	100	96	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓	Exc
Zellnor Y. Myrie	(D-20/Brooklyn)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Thomas F. O'Mara	(R-58/Elmira)	58	68	X	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Robert G. Ortt	(R-62/Lockport)	49	68	X	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kevin S. Parker	(D-21/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Roxanne J. Persaud	(D-19/Brooklyn)	100	96	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jessica Ramos	(D-13/East Elmhurst)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Michael H. Ranzenhofer	(R-61/Williamsville)	56	68	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Patricia A. Ritchie	(R-48/Watertown)	66	68	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gustavo Rivera	(D-33/Bronx)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Joseph E. Robach	(R-56/Rochester)	76	68	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Julia C. Salazar	(D-18/Brooklyn)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
James Sanders, Jr.	(D-10/South Ozone Park)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Diane J. Savino	(D-23/Staten Island)	100	76	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Luis Sepulveda	(D-32/Bronx)	97	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓
Susan J. Serino	(R-41/Hyde Park)	74	68	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
José Serrano	(D-29/Manhattan)	100	80	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
James L. Seward	(R-51/Oneonta)	62	68	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
James Skoufis	(D-39/New Windsor)	97	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Toby Ann Stavisky	(D-16/Flushing)	100	76	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Andrea Stewart-Cousins	(D-35/Yonkers)	100	88	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
James N. Tedisco	(R-49/Clifton Park)	68	68	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Kevin M. Thomas	(D-6/Garden City)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Catharine M. Young	(R-57/Olean)	INC	68	N/A	X	N/A	N/A	N/A	Abs	✓						

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Peter J. Abbate, Jr.	(D-49/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Thomas J. Abinanti	(D-92/Tarrytown)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Carmen E. Arroyo	(D-84/Bronx)	96	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jacob Ashby	(R-107/Troy)	77	INC	X	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Jeffrion L. Aubry	(D-35/Corona)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Will Barclay	(R-120/Fulton)	60	54	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	✓
Brian Barnwell	(D-30/Maspeth)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Didi Barrett	(D-106/Poughkeepsie)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Charles Barron	(D-60/Brooklyn)	INC	100	✓	Exc	✓	Exc	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓
Michael R. Benedetto	(D-82/Bronx)	92	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc
Rodneyse Bichotte	(D-42/Brooklyn)	INC	100	✓	Exc	✓	Exc	Exc	✓	Exc	✓	✓	Exc	✓
Michael Blake	(D-79/Bronx)	100	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kenneth D. Blankenbush	(R-117/Carthage)	63	65	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Karl Brabenec	(R-98/Florida)	58	54	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓
Edward C. Braunstein	(D-26/Bayside)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Harry B. Bronson	(D-138/Rochester)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
David Buchwald	(D-93/Mount Kisco)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Patrick T. Burke	(D-142/West Seneca)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marianne Buttenschon	(D-119/Utica)	94	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kevin M. Byrne	(R-94/Brewster)	78	65	X	X	✓	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marjorie Byrnes	(R-133/Pittsford)	56	N/A	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	X
Kevin A. Cahill	(D-103/Kingston)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Robert Carroll	(D-44/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
William Colton	(D-47/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vivian E. Cook	(D-32/Jamaica)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marcos A. Crespo	(D-85/Bronx)	100	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Clifford W. Crouch	(R-122/Binghamton)	64	65	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Catalina Cruz	(D-39/Jackson Heights)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Michael J. Cusick	(D-63/Staten Island)	94	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Steven Cymbrowitz	(D-45/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Anthony D'Urso	(D-16/Great Neck)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Maritza Davila	(D-53/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Carmen N. De La Rosa	(D-72/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Michael G. DenDekker	(D-34/East Elmhurst)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Joe DeStefano	(R-3/Medford)	86	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Inez E. Dickens	(D-70/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Erik Martin Dilan	(D-54/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc



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Jeffrey Dinowitz	(D-81/Bronx)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
David J. DiPietro	(R-147/East Aurora)	50	47	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	
Simcha Eichenstein	(D-48/Brooklyn)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Steven Englebright	(D-4/East Setauket)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Harvey Epstein	(D-74/Manhattan)	100	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Patricia A. Fahy	(D-109/Albany)	94	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Charles Fall	(D-61/Staten Island)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Nathalia Fernandez	(D-80/Bronx)	100	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Gary D. Finch	(R-126/Auburn)	63	76	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	
Michael J. Fitzpatrick	(R-8/Smithtown)	76	70	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	X	X	
Christopher S. Friend	(R-124/Horseheads)	30	INC	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	
Mathylde Frontus	(D-46/Brooklyn)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sandra R. Galef	(D-95/Ossining)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
David F. Gantt	(D-137/Rochester)	INC	INC	Exc										
Andrew R. Garbarino	(R-7/Bayport)	72	84	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	
Joseph M. Giglio	(R-148/Olean)	73	70	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	
Deborah J. Glick	(D-66/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Andrew Goodell	(R-150/Jamestown)	60	59	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	
Richard N. Gottfried	(D-75/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Judy Griffin	(D-21/Lynbrook)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Aileen M. Gunther	(D-100/Monticello)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Steve M. Hawley	(R-139/Albion)	56	54	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	
Carl E. Heastie	(D-83/Bronx)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Andrew D. Hevesi	(D-28/Forest Hills)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Pamela J. Hunter	(D-128/Syracuse)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Alicia L. Hyndman	(D-29/Springfield Gardens)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jonathan G. Jacobson	(D-104/Newburgh)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ellen C. Jaffee	(D-97/Pearl River)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Kimberly Jean-Pierre	(D-11/Lindenhurst)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mark C. Johns	(R-135/Fairport)	88	92	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Billy Jones	(D-115/Plattsburgh)	94	86	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Latoya Joyner	(D-77/Bronx)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ron Kim	(D-40/Flushing)	100	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Brian M. Kolb	(R-131/Geneva)	63	65	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	
Kieran Michael Lalor	(R-105/Hopewell Junction)	47	45	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	
Charles D. Levine	(D-13/Glen Cove)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Peter A. Lawrence	(R-134/Rochester)	52	65	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	
Joseph R. Lentol	(D-50/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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Barbara S. Lifton	(D-125/Ithaca)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Michael LiPetri	(R-9/Massapequa Park)	76	N/A	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Donna A. Lupardo	(D-123/Binghamton)	94	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
William B. Magnarelli	(D-129/Syracuse)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nicole Malliotakis	(R-64/Staten Island)	96	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓
Brian Manktelow	(R-130/Lyons)	60	N/A	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	X	✓	✓
John T. McDonald, III	(D-108/Albany)	94	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
David G. McDonough	(R-14/Bellmore)	INC	INC	Exc	X	Exc	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	Exc	✓	Exc
Karen McMahon	(D-146/Williamsville)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
John Mikulin	(R-17/East Meadow)	80	INC	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brian D. Miller	(R-101/New Hartford)	72	70	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Melissa Miller	(R-20/Atlantic Beach)	84	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Michael Miller	(D-38/Woodhaven)	100	100	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Michael A. Montesano	(R-15/Hicksville)	78	83	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Angelo J. Morinello	(R-145/Niagara Falls)	56	65	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Walter T. Mosley	(D-57/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Yuh-Line Niou	(D-65/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Catherine T. Nolan	(D-37/Long Island City)	INC	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc
Michael Norris	(R-144/Clarence)	56	59	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
Daniel J. O'Donnell	(D-69/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Felix W. Ortiz	(D-51/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Steven Otis	(D-91/Port Chester)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Philip A. Palmesano	(R-132/Bath)	60	65	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
Anthony H. Palumbo	(R-2/Riverhead)	94	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Amy R. Paulin	(D-88/Scarsdale)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Crystal D. Peoples-Stokes	(D-141/Buffalo)	INC	100	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	Exc	✓	Exc
N. Nick Perry	(D-58/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stacey Pheffer Amato	(D-23/Rockaway Beach)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Victor M. Pichardo	(D-86/Bronx)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
J. Gary Pretlow	(D-89/Mount Vernon)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Daniel Quart	(D-73/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Edward P. Ra	(R-19/Garden City)	88	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Andrew P. Raia	(R-12/Northport)	94	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Philip Ramos	(D-6/Brentwood)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Taylor Raynor	(D-18/Hempstead)	84	N/A	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc
Michael Reilly	(R-62/Staten Island)	78	N/A	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Karines Reyes	(D-87/Bronx)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Diana C. Richardson	(D-43/Brooklyn)	100	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
José Rivera	(D-78/Bronx)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Robert J. Rodriguez	(D-68/Manhattan)	INC	INC	✓	Exc	✓	Exc	Exc	✓	✓	✓	Exc	✓
Jamie Romeo	(D-136/Rochester)	100	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Daniel Rosenthal	(D-27/Flushing)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Linda B. Rosenthal	(D-67/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nily Rozic	(D-25/Flushing)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sean M. Ryan	(D-149/Buffalo)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
John Salka	(R-121/Oneida)	72	N/A	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓
Angelo Santabarbara	(D-111/Amsterdam)	94	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nader J. Sayegh	(D-90/Yonkers)	80	N/A	✓	✓	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Exc
Robin L. Schimmoeller	(D-140/Kenmore)	68	67	Exc	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Colin Schmitt	(R-99/Chester)	88	N/A	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rebecca Seawright	(D-76/Manhattan)	98	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jo Anne Simon	(D-52/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Aravella Simotas	(D-36/Astoria)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Doug Smith	(R-5/Holbrook)	78	INC	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Robert Smullen	(R-118/Herkimer)	73	N/A	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓
Michaelle Solages	(D-22/Valley Stream)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Daniel G. Stec	(R-114/Glens Falls)	72	70	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Phillip Steck	(D-110/Schenectady)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Steve Stern	(D-10/Huntington)	100	INC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Al Stirpe	(D-127/N. Syracuse)	94	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Christopher Tague	(R-102/Catskill)	52	INC	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X
Alfred Taylor	(D-71/Manhattan)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fred W. Thiele, Jr.	(I-1/Bridgehampton)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Michele R. Titus	(D-31/Far Rockaway)	INC	100	✓	Exc	Exc	Exc	Exc	✓	✓	✓	Exc	Exc
Clyde Vanel	(D-33/Queens Village)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mark Walczyk	(R-116/Watertown)	80	N/A	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Latrice M. Walker	(D-55/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monica P. Wallace	(D-143/Cheektowaga)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mary Beth Walsh	(R-112/Ballston Spa)	68	70	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Helene E. Weinstein	(D-41/Brooklyn)	98	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
David I. Weprin	(D-24/Fresh Meadows)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jaime Williams	(D-59/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Carrie Woerner	(D-113/Saratoga Springs)	88	78	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tremaine Wright	(D-56/Brooklyn)	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kenneth P. Zebrowski	(D-96/New City)	INC	100	✓	Exc	✓	Exc	Exc	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Bills with 3 smokestacks would likely result in major or lasting harm to some aspect of New York's environment.

Please note: no smokestack bills were voted on by the Legislature this year.



3 TREES

1. Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act

This legislation establishes aggressive legally binding targets to move New York's economy off fossil fuels. It codifies New York's strong climate and clean energy goals, and establishes a blueprint for doing so equitably across all sectors of the economy. The CLCPA will propel New York as a global leader on climate action. A.8429 (Englebright, et al.)/S.6599 (Kaminsky, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate and was signed into law by Governor Cuomo.

2. Environmental Rights

This bill puts the process in motion to amend Article I of the New York State Constitution to establish a fundamental environmental right, which would give New Yorkers' the right to clean air and water, and a healthful environment. A.2064 (Englebright, Gottfried, et al.)/S.2072 (Carlucci, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate. The bill still has to pass a newly elected Legislature in 2021, and be put to a ballot vote before the State Constitution can be amended.

3. PFAS-Free Firefighting Foam

This bill phases out the use, manufacture, sale, and distribution of firefighting foam containing intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, also known as PFAS chemicals. This legislation is a fundamentally important step in eliminating a major source of drinking water contamination. A.445-A (Steck, et al.)/S.439-A (Hoyleman, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

4. Closing the Hazardous Waste Loophole

This bill closes New York's hazardous waste loophole, which allows waste produced from the exploration, development, extraction, or production of crude oil or natural gas to escape the regulatory framework applied to hazardous wastes. This bill makes this waste subject to the same hazardous waste management regulations that apply to other New York industries. A.2655 (Englebright, et al.)/S.3392 (May, et al.) passed the Senate, but did not move beyond the Assembly Rules Committee.

5. A-B-Cs of Stream Protection

This bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law to include class C streams in the list of protected streams under the Protection of Waters Regulatory Program within the Department of Environmental Conservation. A.8349 (Ryan, et al.)/S.5612-A (Harckham, et al.) passed the Senate, but did not move beyond the Assembly Rules Committee.

6. The Child Safe Products Act

This bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law to better regulate the use of toxic chemicals in children's products. It requires the Department of Environmental Conservation to post a list of chemicals of concern and dangerous chemicals, requires manufacturers to disclose if their products contain these chemicals, phases out the sale of children's products made with certain

priority chemicals, and enables the Department of Environmental Conservation to have the Interstate Chemicals Clearinghouse to collect, manage, and publish the data collected from manufacturers. A.6296-A (Englebright, et al.)/S.501-B (Kaminsky, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

7. Chlorpyrifos Ban

This bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law to phase out methods of application and uses of the pesticide chlorpyrifos. It prohibits aerial spraying of chlorpyrifos as of January 1, 2020; prohibits all applications of chlorpyrifos, except on apple tree trunks, as of January 1, 2021; and all uses as of December 1, 2021. A.2477-B (Englebright, et al.)/S.5343 (Kaminsky, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.



8. Oil and Natural Gas Drilling Prohibition

This legislation will prevent the oil and gas industry from establishing extraction sites proximate to New York's shoreline by denying developers access to state marine and coastal district lands. This will preserve opportunities to develop off-shore wind and prevent oil spills. A.2572 (Englebright, et al.)/S.2316 (Kaminsky, et al.) has been signed into law.

9. Polluter Pays

This bill allows water systems to sue a polluter for damages within three years of water testing that reveals elevated levels of dangerous contaminants in the water supply. This bill makes it easier to hold polluters accountable and helps prevent the costs of remediation from falling on New York taxpayers. A.5477-C (Thiele, et al.)/S.3337-C (Gaughran, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

10. Environmental Justice For All

This bill requires the state to incorporate environmental justice principles into policies and permitting practices. It makes permanent the Environmental Justice Advisory Group within the Department of Environmental Conservation, and establishes an Environmental Justice Interagency Coordinating Council to report on the effectiveness and implementation of New York's environmental justice policies within all state agencies whose actions may affect the environment. A.1564 (Peoples-Stokes, et al.)/S.2385 (Parker, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

11. Environmental Justice Zones

This bill requires the Department of Environmental Conservation to issue biennial reports listing high local environmental impact zones across the state. Such zones are defined as areas adversely affected by existing environmental hazards. The list would be compiled by aggregating toxic release and pollution data from a number of state and federal environmental databases in one concise report. A.1779 (Peoples-Stokes, et al.)/S.181 (Serrano, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

12. Renewable Energy Retention Act

This bill directs the Public Service Commission to establish a renewable energy credit program and targets for existing large-scale renewable energy resources in order to help New York meet its renewable energy goals. A.4294 (Cusick, et al.)/S.23 (Parker, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

13. Preventing Overfishing

This legislation prohibits the use of purse seines when fishing for menhaden, also known as bunker fish, in New York's marine district. A.2571 (Englebright, et al.)/S.2317 (Kaminsky, et al.) has been signed into law.

14. Trash It

This legislation prohibits new garbage incineration in communities where all of the following conditions exist: the facility is proposed in the Oswego River/Finger Lakes Watershed; there is at least one landfill or other solid waste management facility within a 50-mile radius; and the facility would be within ten miles of a Department of Environmental Conservation designated priority water body. A.5029-A (Cusick, et al.)/S.2270-A (May, et al.) has been signed into law.

15. Toxic-Free Food Packaging

This bill bans the manufacture, selling, and distribution of food packaging where Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) chemicals are present in any amount, as these harmful toxins can leach into and poison our food. A.4739-A (Fahy, et al.)/S.2000-A (Hoyleman, et al.) passed the Senate but did not move beyond the Assembly Rules Committee.

16. It Makes WaterSense

This bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law to align New York's water efficiency standards with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's WaterSense Program, ensuring that plumbing fixtures sold or installed in the state will reduce water usage and better conserve our precious water resources. A.2286 (Hunter, et al.)/S.354-A (Kaminsky, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

17. 1,4-dioxane Ban

This bill prohibits the distribution and sale of household cleansing products and personal care products containing 1,4-dioxane in concentrations exceeding 2 ppm by 2022 and 1 ppm by 2023. The bill also prohibits the distribution and sale of cosmetic products containing 1,4-dioxane in concentrations exceeding 10 ppm beginning January 1, 2022. A.6295-A (Englebright, et al.)/S.4389-B (Kaminsky, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

18. Protecting Vulnerable Species

This bill gives the Department of Environmental Conservation the ability to protect species, including the giraffe, by designating them as vulnerable species and prohibiting the sale of any article made in whole or in part from the skin, hide, or other parts of the species unless licensed or permitted. A.6600 (Englebright, et al.)/S.5098 (Martinez, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

19. Preserving Communities from Overdevelopment and Sprawl (Ulster County)

This bill amends the General Municipal Law and the Tax Law to give Ulster County the authority to set up a Community Preservation Fund and raise money, if approved by voter referendum, through a real estate transfer tax. A.129 (Cahill, et al.)/S.6235 (Metzger) passed both the Assembly and the Senate.

20. Preserving Communities from Overdevelopment and Sprawl (Orange County)

This bill amends the General Municipal Law and the Tax Law to give Orange County the authority to set up a Community Preservation Fund and raise money, if approved by voter referendum, through a real estate transfer tax. A.7699-A (Gunther, et al.)/S.6224-A (Metzger) passed the Assembly and died in the Senate Local Government Committee.

21. Lead Levels

This bill amends the Public Health Law in relation to the definition of elevated blood levels. It lowers the statutory standard for elevated blood lead levels from 10 µg/dl to the current standard of 5 µg/dl. A.5779 (Ryan, et al.)/S.1028 (Rivera, et al.) passed the Assembly but did not move beyond the Senate Rules Committee.



22. Reduce Toxic Mercury in Light Bulbs

This bill establishes maximum mercury content standards for general purpose fluorescent light bulbs sold in New York, and authorizes the Department of Environmental Conservation to establish regulations for mercury content standards in all light bulbs. Starting January 1, 2020, it prohibits the sale of several common types of general purpose fluorescent light bulbs that exceed the maximum mercury levels listed in the law. Special purpose lights are explicitly exempted from these restrictions until December 31, 2020. A.2501-A (Englebright, et al.)/S.2139-B (Sanders, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

23. Ocean Acidification Task Force

This bill amends a law passed in 2016 which created an Ocean Acidification Task Force within the Department of Environmental Conservation. The modifications require the task force to prepare an interim report no later than December 31, 2021 and to hold at least one public hearing on this report. This bill also requires the task force to submit a final report no later than December 31, 2022, which must include an assessment of public comments from any hearing, as well as amends the legislation's end date to 2023. A.2573 (Englebright, et al.)/S.2411 (Brooks, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

24. What's in Your Water?

This bill amends the Public Health Law to require that certain water works corporations post their annual water supply statements online. A.3040 (Vanel, et al.)/S.1455 (Sanders, et al.) passed the Senate but did not move beyond the Assembly Health Committee.

25. Modernizing FOIL

This bill amends the Freedom of Information Law to require every agency and each house of the State Legislature to publish on their respective websites, records or portions of records that are available to the public and determined to be of substantial interest to the public. A.121-A (Buchwald, et al.)/S.1630-B (Skoufis, et al.) passed the Senate but did not move beyond the Assembly Governmental Operations Committee.

26. Water Withdrawal Transparency

This bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law to require the Department of Environmental Conservation to post information on permits issued for a public water supply system on their website. A.6244 (Englebright, et al.)/S.1724 (Skoufis, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

27. Dangerous Jewelry

This bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law by requiring children's jewelry that contains a certain amount of lead to be labeled with a warning stating such contents before being sold. A.6041 (Ryan, et al.)/S.4046 (Parker, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

28. Paint Stewardship

The bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law to create a paint stewardship program, requiring manufacturers to develop a postconsumer paint collection program. A.6373 (Englebright, et al.)/S.4351 (Kennedy, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

29. Solar Choice for Homeowners

This bill adds a new article to the Real Property Law called the "Solar Rights Act." It prohibits homeowners' associations from adopting or enforcing any rules or regulations that would effectively prohibit or impose unreasonable limitations on the installation or use of a solar power system. A.5896-A (Galef, et al.)/S.4742-A (Parker, et al.) passed the Senate but did not move beyond the Assembly Housing Committee.

30. Cleaner Air for Kids

This bill amends the Education Law to extend a law which limits the idling of school vehicles while parked or standing on school grounds until June 30, 2024. A.6358 (Cruz, et al.)/S.2890 (Salazar, et al.) has been signed into law.

31. Energy Star State Grants

This bill amends the Public Authorities Law and the New York State Urban Development Corporation Act to require organizations receiving funds for capital improvements from the New York State Dormitory Authority and/or the Urban Development Corporation to use the funds to purchase Energy Star equipment and appliances when available. A.6599 (Simon, et al.)/S.31 (Hoyleman, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

32. Menstrual Product Ingredient Disclosure

This bill amends the General Business Law by adding a new section that requires packages containing menstrual products to include a list of all ingredients and percentages. A.164-B (Rosenthal, et al.)/S.2387-B (Persaud, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

33. Expanding Lead Testing

This bill amends the Public Health Law to require potable water testing in schools and state and local parks at least once every three years and to abate any finding of lead contamination within 90 days. A.7253-A (O'Donnell)/S.3698-A (Gianaris, et al.) passed the Senate but did not move beyond the Assembly Health Committee.

34. Save Our Species

This bill amends the Environmental Conservation Law to expand protections for endangered species. Should the federal government de-list a species, this legislation ensures that the taking, importation, transportation, possession or sale of that species will continue to be prohibited in New York State until a thorough investigation is conducted by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. A.4077 (Barrett, et al.)/S.5196 (Kaminsky, et al.) passed the Senate but did not move beyond the Assembly Environmental Conservation Committee.

35. Electric Scooters and Bicycles with Electric Assist

This bill amends the Vehicle and Traffic Law to authorize the operation of bicycles with electric assist and electric scooters. It allows municipalities to enact local laws regulating the operation of electric bicycles and scooters. A.7431-B (Rozic, et al.)/S.5294-A (Ramos, et al.) passed both the Assembly and Senate.

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